

COURSE DETAIL

EARLY MODERN LITERARY CULTURE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

King's College London

Program(s)

King's College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

English

UCEAP Course Number

119

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

EARLY MODERN LITERARY CULTURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

EARLY MODERN LIT

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The Early Modern period in England – by which we mean, very roughly, 1550-1660 – was a time of immense intellectual, geographical and literary expansion. The period offers us a double perspective: looking back to classical learning and achievement and using that as a model for the present, and offering us a glance forward to what we now think of as ‘the modern’ – that is, modern subjectivities, sexualities, politics and cultures. This course is designed to introduce texts from a period that stretched from the reign of Henry VIII to the English Civil War, with a focus on the reigns of Elizabeth I and James I. The course tracks the creative intersection of individual writers, literary forms, and the spirit of the age, and opens up a set of new magnificent texts for students to immerse themselves in, through which they develop a sense of the culture out of which they emerged. The primary texts studied in this course are chosen to reflect a broad generic range typical of the Renaissance, including prose, drama, masque and lyric and epic poetry.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

4AAEA005

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Host Institution Campus

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Host Institution Degree

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