COURSE DETAIL

BARBARIANS
Country Ireland
Host Institution University of Galway
Program(s) University of Galway
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History Classics
UCEAP Course Number 177
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title BARBARIANS
UCEAP Transcript Title BARBARIANS
UCEAP Quarter Units 5.00
UCEAP Semester Units 3.30

Course Description

This course examines the constructed images and historical realities of some of the most important peoples in the ancient world, other than the Greeks and the Romans. The three main directions of the course are: (1) an analysis of the concept of ‘barbarian’ in the Classical world; (2) an examination of selected Greek and Roman sources on Northern barbarians, especially Celts and Germani; (3) a study of these same peoples ‘from within’, i.e. based on archaeological and linguistic evidence. The course investigates the role which the so-called ‘barbarians’ of northern Europe played in ancient history, from the earliest documented contacts with the Mediterranean during the Early Iron Age, to the collapse of the Roman Empire in the fifth century AD.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
CC316

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Classics

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