

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

Host Institution Course Title

BARBARIANS

Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Classics

Course Last Reviewed

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