COURSE DETAIL

ARCHITECTURE IN LONDON , 1600-1837: PLAGUE, FIRE, AND EMPIRE
Country United Kingdom - England
Host Institution University of London, Queen Mary
Program(s) University of London, Queen Mary
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History Art History Architecture
UCEAP Course Number 118
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title ARCHITECTURE IN LONDON , 1600-1837: PLAGUE, FIRE, AND EMPIRE
UCEAP Transcript Title ARCH LOND:1600-1837
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

Taught by numerous site visits to historic buildings alongside lectures and seminars, this course introduces students to the study of architecture by exploring buildings in the London area from the start of the 17th century to the accession of Queen Victoria in 1837. During the course, students witness London burn to the ground, be comprehensively rebuilt, and then expand from a small European capital into the largest city in the world. Along the way, students encounter a wide variety of buildings including cathedrals, palaces, churches, synagogues, breweries, shops, and hospitals. Students acquire skills in looking at, reading, and understanding buildings and become adept at using them as historical evidence. Students also learn how to relate architecture to its social, political, and intellectual context, and develop insights into the ways that buildings may carry and convey meaning, whether to an expert or to a more general audience. No prior knowledge of architecture or architectural history is required to undertake the module. When timetabling, allow yourself an hour's travel time either side of the class for site visits.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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History

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