



**UNIVERSITY OF  
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**ISS9WS: WITCHCRAFT IN EARLY MODERN SCOTLAND**

**US CREDITS: 3**

Between 1563 and 1736, during years of political and religious turmoil, around 4,000 people were accused of witchcraft in Scotland. This module will examine this significant aspect of Scottish history, looking at the phenomenon of witchcraft belief as part of early-modern culture, as well as its prosecution. Other themes that will be covered will include: religion, popular culture, law and order, illness and death, community tensions and gender issues. We will also consider the continuity and development of ideas about magic and witchcraft.

**Field Trips/Highlights:**

This module will visit St Dunstan's Cross, Dunning, Maggie Wall's monument near Dunning, Robert Kirk's burial site and the Fairy Tree at Aberfoyle, all sites related to early modern witchcraft in Scotland.

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