SEMINARS ON

MEDIEVAL TOPICS

LENT TERM 2024

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If you know of a seminar, lecture, event, or workshop which may be of interest to other medievalists and which we might add to this booklet, please contact:

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# **Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic**

Graduate and Research Seminars

<https://www.asnc.cam.ac.uk/events/index.htm>

Seminar meets on Mondays and/or Fridays at 5pm. All are very warmly welcome. **Please note that, unless otherwise stated, events will be in-person only in the English Faculty Building.**

[29 January 2024, Graduate Seminar: Dr Irene Bavuso (Utrecht), Trade and Communities: Reassessing Exchange across the Channel (c. 6th-early 7th centuries)](https://www.asnc.cam.ac.uk/news/event/29-january-2024-graduate-seminar-dr-irene-bavuso-utrecht/)  
2 February 2024, Research Seminar: Dr Lee Colwill, title to be confirmed  
16 February 2024, Research Seminar: Dr Caitlin Ellis (Oslo), title to be confirmed  
26 February 2024, Graduate Seminar: Dr Robert Portass (Lincoln), Late Anglo-Saxon England and the Christian Kingdoms of the Iberian Peninsula: Possibilities of Comparison  
[8 March 2024, Research Seminar: Professor Irina Dumitrescu (Bonn), Beowulf, She Wrote](https://www.asnc.cam.ac.uk/news/event/8-march-2024-research-seminar-professor-irina-dumitrescu-bonn/)  
[11 March 2024, Graduate Seminar: Dr Luciana Cordo Russo (Bristol), The Middle Welsh Pseudo-Turpin Chronicle and the Latin and Vernacular Turpin Traditions in the North of Europe: Manuscripts, Sources, and Textual Transmission](https://www.asnc.cam.ac.uk/news/event/11-march-2024-graduate-seminar-dr-luciana-cordo-russo-bristol/)  
14 March 2024, The 2024 H.M. Chadwick Lecture: Professor Julia Crick (King's College, London), 'A palaeographer's vision': the life, times, and work of T. Julian Brown, Professor of Palaeography, University of London, 1960-87  
15 March 2024, Research Seminar: Professor Caz Batten (Pennsylvania), title to be confirmed (via Zoom)

Cambridge Colloquium in Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic  
<https://www.asnc.cam.ac.uk/ccasnc/index.htm>

# **Travels and Transgressions**

We are delighted to announce that registration for the Cambridge Colloquium in Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic, 2024, is now open. This year’s theme is “TRAVELS & TRANSGRESSIONS”, and our keynote speaker is Clare Downham (University of Liverpool) who will talk about 'Runaway Irish Princess Saints'. The conference will be held on 17 February 2024, at the Faculty of English, 9 West Road, Cambridge, CB3 9DP.

### REGISTRATION: closes 10 February 2024 (in-person) or 16 February 2024(online attendance only) For Programme, and Registration, see link above.

H.M. Chadwick Memorial Lecture

The thirty-fifth annual lecture will be given by Professor Julia Crick (Professor of Palaeography and Manuscript Studies, King's College London), entitled 'A palaeographer's vision': the life, times, and work of T. Julian Brown, Professor of Palaeography, University of London, 1960-87. The lecture will take place on 14 March 2024 and further details will be posted closer to the date of the event.

Kathleen Hughes Memorial Lecture

The next lecture will be given by Professor Gordon Noble (Aberdeen) on 25 April 2024 and entitled 'The Development of the Pictish Kingdoms in Northern Britain, c.AD300-900'. Further details will be published closer to the event.

**Archaeology**

Medieval Archaeology Group

[www.mcdonald.cam.ac.uk/events/mag](http://www.mcdonald.cam.ac.uk/events/mag)

<https://www.arch.cam.ac.uk/events/medieval-archaeology-seminar-group>

Not running this term?

The African Archaeology Group (AAG)

<https://www.arch.cam.ac.uk/events/african-archaeology-group>

12 March 2024, McDonald Institute, Cambridge

Dr Bolaji Owoseni: *Archaeological Investigation of the pre-Historic period of a Frontier city, Yorubaland, Nigeria West Africa: Material Culture, Architecture and Chronology (500-1500 AD)*

For non-medieval offerings, see link above.

Asian Archaeology Seminar Series

For more information contact Dylan Gaffney ([dacg2@cam.ac.uk](mailto:dacg2@cam.ac.uk)), www.arch.cam.ac.uk/events/asian-archaeology-group

No medieval papers this term, see link for full programme.

Garrod Research Seminar Series

<https://www.arch.cam.ac.uk/events/garrod-research-seminars>

No medieval papers this term, see link for full programme.

Material Culture Forum

<https://www.arch.cam.ac.uk/research/laboratories/material-culture>

**Asian and Middle Eastern Studies**

Middle East Seminar

https://www.ames.cam.ac.uk/whats-on

Thursdays 17:15, Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Room 10

Thursday, 18 January, 2024 - 17:15: **Benjamin Kantor (University of Cambridge), ‘Codifying a Linguistic Heritage: The Standard Language Ideology of the Hebrew and Arabic Grammarians of the ʿAbbasid Period (750–1258)’**

Please also mark your calendars: on Thursday 25 April, Dr Elisabeth Kendall (Girton College, Cambridge) will deliver the John Bennett Memorial Lecture, on ‘Arabic Poetry as a Weapon of Jihad’. If you would like to attend the lecture, please register using the link: [https://forms.gle/7oNwLres4LiR8GQq7](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.gle%2F7oNwLres4LiR8GQq7&data=05%7C02%7Ccjg70%40cam.ac.uk%7C25f6e7c1d7c541b77a5e08dc11c96422%7C49a50445bdfa4b79ade3547b4f3986e9%7C1%7C0%7C638404805315159026%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=gCLgNr8PnYZO00HhXefG5BIfvl4tfU4KC0ojzupDbzU%3D&reserved=0)

For non-medieval seminars, see the link above.

Organisers: Assef Ashraf (and Prof. Andrew Marsham and Sam Martin, co-convenors)

LAMMEC

(Late Antique and Medieval Middle East at Cambridge) Work-in-Progress meetings

We’ll meet to discuss precirculated texts of work in progress. We will meet in weeks 2 and 6. 1pm-2pm, room tbc. If you have draft material you would like to discuss at one of these meetings, please do let me know.

Please contact Prof. Andrew Marsham, [adm56@cam.ac.uk](mailto:adm56@cam.ac.uk) in advance of the meeting for a copy of the paper.

Centre of South Asian Studies Seminar

<https://www.s-asian.cam.ac.uk/whats-on-2/>

No medieval papers this term, see link for full programme.

East Asia Seminar Series

<https://www.ames.cam.ac.uk/>

Monday, 5 February, 2024 - 17:00, FAMES Room 8/9 [Rescheduled from Michaelmas Term]

Childbirth in medieval Japan: Time, politics, expertise - **Anna Andreeva**

For non-medieval seminars, see the link above.

Book Culture in Buddhism and Beyond, 2023-24

https://www.ames.cam.ac.uk/whats-on/book-culture-buddhism-and-beyond-2023-24

Monday, 22nd January, 2024 [**The Cult of Childbirth Protecting Deities in Medieval Dunhuang and Japanese Buddhist Manuscripts**](https://www.ames.cam.ac.uk/whats-on/book-culture-buddhism-and-beyond-2023-24/cult-childbirth-protecting-deities-medieval)  
Lin Hsin-Yi, Fo Guang University, Taiwan

Monday, 4th March, 2024 [**Manuscripts and Print Among Chan Buddhists During the Song Dynasty**](https://www.ames.cam.ac.uk/whats-on/book-culture-buddhism-and-beyond-2023-24/manuscripts-and-print-among-chan-buddhists-during)  
Jason Protass, *Brown University*

For non-medieval seminars, see the link above.

For info contact Dr Noga Ganany, [ng462@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ng462@cam.ac.uk?subject=Book%20Culture%20in%20Buddhism%20and%20Beyond)

Dunhuang & Silk Road Seminar Series

These take place via Zoom and, where possible, in-person on Thursdays and require pre-registration. All talks will begin at **5pm UK Time**, lasting an hour with time allocated afterwards for questions, debate, and discussion.

Centre for Islamic Studies

<http://www.cis.cam.ac.uk/activities/forthcoming/>

**Thursday**25 Jan 2024, 5:00pm - 6:45pm, FAMES. tea & coffee from 5pm - talk starts at 5.15pm UK time). Traitor, hero, man of destiny? Sultan Muhammad XI and the fall of the Islamic empire in the west  (Elizabeth Drayson)

All are welcome. To join online, link here: [us06web.zoom.us/j/91075056246?pwd=VC9VVm1YU01ablMzcDdVOUVjdnVMUT09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/91075056246?pwd=VC9VVm1YU01ablMzcDdVOUVjdnVMUT09)

For other non-medieval seminars, see link.

# **Classics**

Ancient History Research Seminar

<https://www.classics.cam.ac.uk/seminars/c>

We are meeting on **Mondays**, **5.15 to 6.45 pm**\*, in **room G.21** of the Cambridge Classics Faculty (Sidgwick Ave, Cambridge CB3 9DA).

22 January:  Daniel Sutton, 'What Should We Call a Bad Democracy?'

29 January:  Yfke van der Jeijden, 'The Argument for Sex Equality in Plato's Republic'

5 February:  Irene Leonardis (Potsdam), 'Between Amputation a nd Pruning: Roman Models of Correction against Corruption'

12 February:  Peter Martin, 'Words and Looks in Classical Historiography'

19 February:  Aidan Gray, 'Doing History with Monsters'

26 February:  Harvey Phythian, 'Curating the aula memoriae: Augustine's Memories in the Confessions'

4 March:  Ingo Gildenhard, 'Justice Discourses in Greece and (their Absence in) Rome'

11 March:  Sólveig Hilmarsdottir: ‘Cicero's Letters and Historical Sociolinguistics'

All welcome!

All queries to Robin Osborne ([ro225@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ro225@cam.ac.uk))

# **CLANS**

Cambridge Late Antiquity Network Seminar (CLANS)

<https://www.classics.cam.ac.uk/seminars/clans-cambridge-late-antique-network-seminar>

These seminars will take place on Fridays 2.30 -4.00pm; Faculty of Classics Room 1.02

Lieve van Hoof, Wednesday 6th March 2:30-4pm, title : Libanius the lobbyist: Influencing official decisions through letters under Constantius, Julian and Theodosius

Easter Term:

Marios Costambeys, Wednesday 1st May, 4-5:30pm: The Feast of All Saints on 1st November: When?  Where?  Why?

Mark Vessey, Friday 10th May, 2:30-4pm: New Latin scriptures, or an author’s work? Reading Jerome’s catalogue of famous men (De viris illustribus / De scriptoribus ecclesiasticis)

Jamie Wood, Friday 17th May, 2:30-4pm: Ruling Byzantine Hispania: Government in Fragments

**Divinity**

History of Christianity Research Seminar

[divinity.cam.ac.uk/researchareas/seminars/history-of-christianity](https://www.divinity.cam.ac.uk/researchareas/seminars/history-of-christianity)

Meetings will be held in the **Lightfoot Room, Faculty of Divinity** on **Wednesdays at 2.15pm**

**31 January** **Justin Meggitt, Cambridge:** ‘Rethinking Germantown: Mediterranean slavery and the origins of Atlantic abolitionism’  
**14 February** **Chris de Wet, University of South Africa** (via zoom\*): ‘Ancient slavery and early Christianity: theoretical-hermeneutical perspectives, problems, and the development of doulology’  
**28 February** **Danielle Terrazzas Williams, Leeds:** ‘“The morenos (and there are many here) have joined together in a church”: The Society of Jesus and Proselytization in Colonial Mexico’  
**13th March** **John Coffey, Leicester:** ‘The Demerara Revolt (1823) and the crisis of Christian slavery'

New Testament Research Seminar

https://www.divinity.cam.ac.uk/researchareas/seminars/new-testament

**4-5.30pm, Lightfoot Room**

For information contact George van Kooten, Email [gv258@cam.ac.uk](mailto:gv258@cam.ac.uk)

**Tuesday 30 January 2024**  George van Kooten, ‘The Localisation of the Author of the Gospel of John in Herodian and Early-Roman Jerusalem’  
**Tuesday 13 February 2024**  Ernst Baasland (Norway), ‘The Art of Memory in Early Churches: Reception of The Sermon on the Mount—Quotations or Emulations?’   
**Tuesday 27 February 2024** David Horrell (Exeter), ‘What Might it Mean to “Decolonise” New Testament Studies?’  
**Tuesday 12 March 2024** Teresa Morgan (Yale), The 2024 Erasmus Lecture: ‘Early Christian Ethical Reasoning: Two case studies, four contexts, and a proposal’. This seminar will take place in the Runcie room.

The Religions of Late Antiquity Seminar

https://www.divinity.cam.ac.uk/researchareas/seminars/religionsoflateantiquity

 Most seminars will be online and/or hybrid between 14-15.30 on Mondays. Please contact Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe [(sjl39@cam.ac.uk)](mailto:sjl39@cam.ac.uk) for zoom login.

29 January Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe, Cambridge University, ‘The devil in early Christian martyr narratives’  
12 February Khorshi Doo, University of Würzburg, ‘Causers of strife and killers of children: demons and other evil beings in the Coptic magical papyri’  
26 February Sara Ronis, St Mary’s University TX, Tali Artman-Partock, Leicester University, Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe, Cambridge University, Discussion of Sara Ronis’ Demons in the Details: Demonic Discourse and Rabbinic Culture in Late Antique Babylonia (2022)  
11 March Seamus O’Neill, Memorial University of Newfoundland, ‘Why doesn’t the devil just kill us all?: Demonic psychology and the limits of demonic agency                               
29 April Gabrielle Thomas, Emory University GA,‘The Cappadocians on the problem of the devil’

# **English**

Medieval Research Seminar

https://www.english.cam.ac.uk/seminars/med.htm

The Medieval Research Seminars for this term are as follows, on Wednesdays, at 5.30, in SR 24, Faculty of English. We very much hope to see as many of you as possible in person, but will also stream this session on Zoom for those unable to attend in person. Please email Nicky for the link (nz202@cam.ac.uk).

**Wednesday 24th January**  
Jack Colley ‘Translating Sallust in Early Tudor England: Towards an Edition of CUL MS Nn.3.6’

**Wednesday 7th February**  
Kathryn Maude “‘The common relation of the country’: Literary Methodologies and Documentary Sources”

**Wednesday 21 February**  
Alicia Smith ‘The brothel and the cell: ‘thinking with’ enclosure in the medieval lives of the harlot saint Thais’

The planning for the last seminar is still in progress, but we expect that it will be a collaborative session with ASNC, involving PhD students from both English and ASNC. We very much hope to see as many of you at the seminars as possible in person, but we will also stream this session on Zoom for those unable to attend in person. See the information below. After the seminars we will go for dinner at La Margherita (https://www.lamargheritacambridge.com). This is reasonably priced and has a range of dietary options, you can find the accessibility information here: https://www.accesscambridge.co.uk/eatingdrinking/. If you would like to join us, please let Nicky know asap before the seminar by emailing her (nz202@cam.ac.uk)

Medieval Latin Facsimile Reading Group

Strengthen your Latin comprehension and palaeographical skills together through reading from reproductions of manuscripts as a group. We will focus on learning to read and translate directly from medieval handwriting, focusing on periods of participants’ interests.

All welcome; to be added to the group list and receive materials in advance, contact Dr Francesco Marzella ([fm333@cam.ac.uk](mailto:fm333@cam.ac.uk)).

Medieval Postgraduate Seminar

<https://www.english.cam.ac.uk/seminars/med.htm>

Seminar meets at 5:30 in S-R24 in the English Faculty

These advanced research talks, followed by discussion, are aimed at postgraduate students, senior members and visiting scholars.

If you wish to attend any of these seminars please register in advance with one of the convenors.

Dr Alex da Costa [ad666@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ad666@cam.ac.uk) Dr Orietta da Rold, [od245@cam.ac.uk](mailto:od245@cam.ac.uk) Prof Nicky Zeeman [nz202@cam.ac.uk](mailto:nz202@cam.ac.uk)

# **History**

Medieval History Faculty Seminar

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/event-series/medieval-history>

Contact: Prof. John Arnold ([jha33@cam.ac.uk](mailto:jha33@cam.ac.uk))

All seminars start at 4pm and are in the Board Room of the Faculty of History. Formal part finishes by about 5.30pm, followed by drinks and nibbles.

18 Jan VIRTUAL SESSION  Prof Maureen Miller (Berkeley): “Theft in an Urban Landscape: Buildings and Power in Medieval Città di Castello”  [I will run the Zoom feed in the Board Room, all who wish to attend in person are very welcome to do so]

2 Feb- NB, a FRIDAY! *Frontiers, Communities and Encounters at the End of the Middle Ages.*A roundtable on Luca Zenobi’s *Borders and the Politics of Space in Late Medieval Italy* (OUP 2023) - featuring the author, Nora Berend, David Abulafia, Patrick Lantschner and Oren Margolis

15 Feb                                Dr Grace Owen (Exeter): “Trustworthy Men? Navigating Peasant Responsibilities and Gender Ambiguities in Medieval England”

29 Feb                                JOINT SESSION with Medieval Economic seminar:   
Dr Matt Raven (Nottingham)  “Nobility, Serfdom and the Changing Nature of Governance in Mid-fourteenth Century England”

Medieval Encounters Faculty Seminar

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/event-series/medieval-encounters>

A series of interdisciplinary medieval seminars meeting in St Catharine’s College, Cambridge.

Contact: Prof. Nora Berend, [nb231@cam.ac.uk](mailto:nb231@cam.ac.uk)

31 January, Wednesday, 1-2pm, OCR

Delfi Nieto-Isabel (Queen Mary University of London)  *From abstraction to ethnic exclusion: the ninth century Milanese golden altar*

6 March, Wednesday, 1-2pm, Ramsden room

Vedran Sulovsky (Cambridge)  *Desiderata of the German Historical School: What We Only Think We Know About the (High) Medieval Empire*

Medieval Economic and Social History

Seminars take place in Lent Term Wed at 5pm. Refreshments in the College Bar as usual afterwards, and if you would like to join us for dinner after the seminar (at 7.30) please let Chris Briggs know.

Sign up to the emailing list at <https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/event-series/core-seminar-economic-and-social-history> for details.

#### 29 March, **Nobility, Serfdom and the Changing Nature of Governance in Mid-fourteenth Century England** Dr Matt Raven (Nottingham) Joint session with the Medieval Research seminar Faculty of History Boardroom, 4.00 pm

# **History**

Core seminar in economic and social history

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/event-series/core-seminar-economic-and-social-history>

We run hybrid: on zoom and in the room (Faculty Room 6). Those present in person are welcome to join us afterwards for drinks in the Faculty's Senior Common Room and dinner with the speaker at a local restaurant.  
\*Not running this term, see the Medieval Economic and Social History listing above.

Palaeography Workshop (Lent Term)

Prof Teresa Webber hosts a palaeography workshop where graduate students are encouraged to bring facsimiles of material which is giving them trouble in order to receive help from Prof Webber and other graduate students. The workshop also aids graduate students in practicing their palaeographical skills. For more information, email Prof Webber ([mtjw2@cam.ac.uk](mailto:mtjw2@cam.ac.uk)).

Medieval History Graduate Workshop

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/medieval-history-graduate-workshop>

The **Medieval History Graduate Workshop** is a friendly space for graduate students working on any aspect of medieval history to present and share ideas, receive and offer feedback, and get to know each other. We host presentations on the cultures, economies, literature, material cultures, politics, thought, religions, and reception of the medieval world, which we define as broadly as possible as the global period between c.500 and c.1500.

To receive the Zoom links and be added to our mailing list, contact our Conveners.

Alternate Thursdays at 4pm in the History Faculty Boardroom and on Zoom. To receive the Zoom links and be added to our mailing list, contact our Conveners: cambridgemedieval@gmail.com

Also see the Camedieval Blog for new posts every fortnight: https://camedieval.wordpress.com/

**25 Jan: Dan Brooks** (*Cambridge, History*), ‘‘Help I’ve slept with my sister.’ Qualities of Ignorance in the High- and Late-Middle Ages’ ; **Salvatore Pettrone** (*Sapienza Università di Roma*), ‘Leonardo Bruni translator of Theocritus: a new translation’s method’

**8 Feb: Louis Henry** (*Cambridge, History*), ‘Peterborough: England’s Number Two City’ ; **Thomas Banbury** (*Cambridge, History*), ‘The meteorology of the Mind: Atmospheric analogy and the psychology of dreams in medieval thought’

**22 Feb: Zihang Chen** (*Cambridge, History*), ‘Gesta Martyrum for the 8th century papacy and the new meanings of Acts of Silvester’; **Jessica Boynton** (*Independent*), ‘Behold: An Interdisciplinary Examination of the Harley Roll T.11’

**7 Mar: [Special Bede day**] **Alexandra Zhirnova** (*Cambridge, ASNC*), ‘Coldingham Revisited: Did Bede Blame Women for Monastic Crisis?’ ; **Emily Clarke** (*Cambridge, ASNC*), ‘Bede and the Figure of the Tabernacle in the Cosmography of Byrhtferth of Ramsey’

Gender & Sexuality History Workshop

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/gender-and-sexuality-workshop>

The Gender & Sexuality History workshop meets on Tuesdays between 5pm and 7pm. This term, the workshop will be taking place in a hybrid format. Instructions on joining will be circulated via the [mailing list](https://lists.cam.ac.uk/mailman/listinfo/history-gender-workshop). Convenors: Fiona Knight ([flk27@cam.ac.uk](mailto:flk27@cam.ac.uk)) and Laura Richardson ([ljr55@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ljr55@cam.ac.uk))

Not posted yet.

# **History**

Legal and Social History Workshop

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/legal-and-social-history-workshop>

The Legal and Social History workshop meets on Tuesdays at 5pm over Zoom this term.

Convenors: Ian King ([ik361@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ik361@cam.ac.uk)) and Emily Rhodes ([elr41@cam.ac.uk](mailto:elr41@cam.ac.uk))

Not posted yet.

History of Memory and Emotions Workshop

<https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/workshop-memory-and-emotions>

The History of Memory and Emotions meets at 5pm in the Audit Room, King’s College, Cambridge

Not posted yet.

# **History of Art**

The Medieval Art Seminar Series

<https://www.hoart.cam.ac.uk/seminars/medievalartseminars>

The University of Cambridge Senior Seminar in Medieval Art meets every other week during full term, attracting an impressive range of speakers from home and abroad.

All seminars take place in the Classroom at Scroope Terrace, starting at 5pm.

Please email: [lss33@cam.ac.uk](mailto:lss33@cam.ac.uk) with any queries.

Monday 29th January, Frank Fehrenbach, University of Hamburg 'Giotto and the Physicists' This seminar will take place over Zoom at 5pm.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/frank-fehrenbach-giotto-and-the-physicists-tickets-780328462437?aff=oddtdtcreator>

Monday 12th February, Kathryn A. Smith, Department of Art History, New York University ‘Opening the Space of the Parchment Roll: Imaging Interiority in Two English Copies of the Septenarium pictum.’

This seminar will take place over Zoom over 5pm.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/kathryn-a-smith-opening-the-space-of-the-parchment-roll-tickets-780370137087?aff=oddtdtcreator>

Monday 11th March, Antony Eastmond, The Courtauld Institute 'Icons, Saints and Society in Medieval Georgia'

This seminar will take place in the Classroom, Scroope Terrace, 5pm.

# **History and Philosophy of Science**

Departmental Seminars in History and Philosophy of Science

https://www.hps.cam.ac.uk/news-events/seminars-reading-groups/departmental

Seminars take place on **Thursdays from 3.30pm to 5pm in Arts School Lecture Theatre A, New Museums Site**. Organised by Lewis Bremner.

No medieval seminars this term; for other non-medieval papers, see link.

Cabinet of Natural History

<https://www.hps.cam.ac.uk/news-events/seminars-reading-groups/cabinet>

Seminars are held on Mondays at 1pm in the Seminar Room 2, HPS Faculty (Free School Lane) and by Zoom [contact organiser). Organised by Thomas Banbury (tjb98).

### 4 March **Arrianna Dalla Costa (Warburg Institute)** Medical diagnoses through geomancy in medieval and early modern Europe

(for other non-medieval papers, see link)

History of Science and Medicine.

<https://www.hps.cam.ac.uk/news-events/seminars-reading-groups/medicine>

Seminars, supported by Wellcome, are on **Tuesdays from 5.00 to 6.30pm** unless otherwise stated. All welcome!

Not posted yet.

Early Science and Medicine

Organised by Dániel Margócsy and Philippa Carter.

Not posted yet.

Latin Therapy

<https://www.hps.cam.ac.uk/news-events/seminars-reading-groups/language-groups/latin-therapy>

Latin Therapy is an informal reading group. All levels of Latin are very welcome. We meet to translate and discuss a text from the history of science, technology or medicine. This is an opportunity to brush up your Latin by regular practice, and if a primary source is giving you grief, we’d love to help you make sense of it over tea and biscuits!

To be added to the mailing list, or to suggest a text, please contact Nick Jardine.

In Lent Term 2024 we will meet **weekly on Fridays, 1–2pm in the Board Room**.

# **Medieval and Modern Languages and Linguistics**

Medieval Literature and Culture Seminar

<https://www.mmll.cam.ac.uk/research/events>

Seminars take place on Thursdays at 5pm

Not posted yet.

# **Philosophy**

Medieval Philosophy Reading Group

<https://www.phil.cam.ac.uk/seminars-phil/medieval-phil>

The Medieval Philosophy Reading Group consists of interested undergraduates, graduates and professional scholars who meet once a week in term to read and discuss a medieval philosophical text (in translation). No previous knowledge of medieval philosophy is assumed, and everyone is welcome.

**Meetings**

The meetings begin on the first Wednesday of term on which lectures are given, and they take place from 1.15 - 2.15 pm. Would anyone interested please contact John Marenbon at [jm258@cam.ac.uk](mailto:jm258@cam.ac.uk), who will send the necessary material and links.

# **CRASSH**

**READING GROUPS:**

Fortnightly Old Church Slavonic reading group. For more information, please contact Angus Russell ([ajmr5@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ajmr5@cam.ac.uk))

# **Silk Roads**

Silk Roads

<https://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/research/silk-roads-programme/silk-roads-programme-events>

Events this term will be in person, in the Audit Room, King’s College, and via Zoom. To join the online meetings, see link above. **Fridays 2pm, King’s College**

9 February at 2 pm UK time: Audit Room, King’s College (and online)  
Guest Speaker: Christiane Esche Ramshorn  
Title: From Rome to Armenia: The medieval western ‘Armenian’ stretch of the Silk Road in the light of East-West cultural exchanges, trade, missions, colonies and arts  
Zoom Link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIvc-2oqTksG9wn5pLYEVERGvy1BtZxHcW9>

# Friday, 15 March at 2 pm UK time, Online Event Guest Speaker: Razieh S. Mousavi Title: The Stars along the Silk Roads: Astronomers from Central Asia in the Abbasid Court during the ninth century Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwscu-hrT8oGtzT7AdeLEMT_OMkPOrE2CoT>

# For other, non-medieval offerings, see the link above.

# **Conferences, Workshops, Events**

Mendicants and Intellectual Culture: a roundtable discussion to celebrate the launch of Peter Jones, The Medicine of the Friars in Medieval England (York Medieval Press)

Audit Room, King's College, Cambridge, on Friday 26th January, 5.15pm

There will be brief contributions by Peter Biller, David d'Avray, Sophie Page, Peregrine Horden and Philippa Carter, plus Peter Jones himself

The intellectual portion of the event will be followed by an informal drinks reception in room G1 (John Arnold's room) in King's, finishing at about 7pm.

All welcome **but please email John (**[**jha33@cam.ac.uk**](mailto:jha33@cam.ac.uk)**)**to let us know if you would like to come along.

History of Violence Seminar in Criminology

Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11:00, in Criminology. Contact: ([mpe23@cam.ac.uk](mailto:mpe23@cam.ac.uk))

1. Tuesday 23 January Manuel Eisner

Human nature, violence, and civility: The decline of violence debate

2. Tuesday 30 January Manuel Eisner

Bloodfeud, revenge, and private justice in Anglo-Saxon England

3. Tuesday 6 February Manuel Eisner

Violent death and the problem of order in late medieval cities

(other seminars cover post-Medieval period)

# The Betty Behrens Seminar on Classics of Historiography

Clare Hall, West Court, Richard Eden Suite, h. 2-4 pm

Wednesday 31 January 2024

**Amira K. Bennison** (Professor in the History and Culture of the Maghrib, University of Cambridge, Magdalene College)

***Muqaddimah*** (1377) by Ibn Khaldun

# **Future**

Hughes Lecture, beginning of Easter Term 2024, Professor Gordon Noble

George Macaulay Trevelyan Lectures, University of Cambridge, Michaelmas 2024

Prof. Amy Remensnyder (Brown University)