



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI TORINO

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VP43\_DIP\_STUDIUM

## **Visiting Professor Program Academic year 2021/2022**

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES**

**TEACHING COMMITMENT: 12 hours**

**COURSE TITLE**

**Medieval History - E**

**TEACHING PERIOD**

1st term

**SCIENTIFIC AREA**

History

**LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH**

Italian / English

**COURSE SUMMARY**

The course aims to give students some essential tools to understand the medieval millennium, by focusing on its cultures (civic, religious and political) and institutions. Special attention will be paid to the formation of medieval peoples identities, also through the comparison with the international investigation on these topics.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

Students should gain a good understanding of the most important events of the Middle Ages, including the skill to bring together facts, consequences and meanings.

**TUTORSHIP ACTIVITIES**

N/A

## LAB ACTIVITIES

N/A

## OTHER ACTIVITIES BESIDES THE COURSE

Seminars addressed to PhD students and research fellows

## ADDITIONAL COURSE

### COURSE TITLE

**Europe, Culture, Identities**

### TEACHING PERIOD

1st term

### SCIENTIFIC AREA

History

### LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH

English / Italian

### COURSE SUMMARY

The Course intends to focus on identities and borders in the European History. Special attention will be paid in the following topics: 1) Definitions and methodological approaches to the notion of identity: persistences and changes – 2) European religious heritage (Christianities, Judaism, Islam): its meaning in the past and today – 3) The writing of history between unveiling and misrepresentation of the “Other”: the turning point of 1492 – 4) Migrations Vs Invasions: their meaning in the past and today – 5) The so-called “medieval roots” of Europe and the invention of Nations in the 19th c. – 6) Inventing and re-Inventing Eastern Europe – 7) The role of “Memory” and “Places of memory” in today European community.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The analysis of most relevant European identity building processes will allow students to reflect about social, cultural and political processes that contribute to previous and actual forms of European identity.

### TUTORSHIP ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)

N/A

### LAB ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)

N/A

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES BESIDES THE COURSE**

Seminars and conferences addressed to PhD students and research fellows

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## **VISITING PROFESSOR PROFILE**

The requested Visiting Professor has to be a medieval scholar distinguished in the study of early medieval processes of group identity building. He/she must also be distinguished in the study of the relationship between history and memory, and the myth of the Middle Ages as part of nineteenth-century nationalism. His/her resume must be international and his/her research, published in the main journals and presented in international conferences, must be characterised by interdisciplinarity and engagement with other disciplines, notably anthropology and genomic research.

## **CONTACT PERSON AT THE DEPARTMENT**

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