Medieval Studies

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Undergraduate certificate: medieval studies
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The Medieval Studies Program offers an undergraduate program of study and a selection of courses open to students in all majors.

Programs

Undergraduate Program of Study

Certificate
• Certificate in Medieval Studies

Courses

Medieval Studies Courses

MDVL:3226 Literature and Culture of the Middle Ages
3 s.h.
English majors may apply this course to the following area and/or period requirement. AREA: Medieval and Early Modern Literature and Culture. PERIOD: Early Literatures Through 17th Century. Same as ENGL:3226.

MDVL:3409 Medieval Civilization I
3 s.h.
Europe from the decline of Roman empire to the eleventh century; cultural, political, economic, artistic and architectural foundations of Western civilization. Same as HIST:3409.

MDVL:3410 Medieval Civilization II
3 s.h.
Europe from the eleventh century to the Italian Renaissance; cultural, political, economic, artistic, and architectural foundations of Western civilization. GE: Historical Perspectives. Same as HIST:3410.

MDVL:4408 The Twelfth-Century Renaissance
3 s.h.
Social, economic, intellectual, and cultural rebirth of Europe in the 12th century; Latin learning and education; developments in vernacular literature, art, architecture, new religious orders and institutions, pilgrimage and Crusade. Same as HIST:4408.

MDVL:4411 Economic and Social History of Medieval Europe
3 s.h.
Changes in western Europe from 300 to 1500 A.D.; feudalism, manorialism, revival of towns, heresy, women, monasticism, agricultural and commercial revolutions, Black Death. Same as HIST:4411.

MDVL:4412 History of the Medieval Church
3 s.h.
Development of Christianity to end of great schism; rise of Roman primacy, development of monasticism, orthodox and heterodox groups. Same as HIST:4412.

MDVL:4417 Medieval Intellectual History
3 s.h.
Philosophy, art, literature, religious culture of Europe from waning of classical intellectual modes of culture in late antiquity, to their recovery in 12th century. Same as HIST:4417.

MDVL:4418 Medieval Intellectual History
1150-1500
3 s.h.
European philosophy, religion, literature, art from 12th-century rise of scholasticism; their transformation in period of Copernicus, Luther. Same as HIST:4418.

MDVL:4419 Ancient and Medieval Science
3 s.h.
Greco's initiation of scientific inquiry; developments in astronomy, cosmology, optics, mathematics, physics, medicine, psychology in ancient and medieval societies of Middle East, Europe. Same as HIST:4419.

MDVL:4421 The Middle Ages in Film
3 s.h.
How films that represent medieval events and literature may be analyzed to reveal the culture and times in which the films were made; Middle Ages and European nationalistic mythmaking as represented in film. Same as HIST:4421.

MDVL:4423 Ireland in the Early Middle Ages
3 s.h.
Ireland and the northern British islands 400-1000 C.E., a region of small kingdoms and thin population, lacking natural resources, far from Rome and ancient centers of Mediterranean culture; development of civilization, including monastic, legal, theological, and scholarly traditions that had a major impact on continental Europe; early medieval Irish history; introduction to the world of historical scholarship. Same as HIST:4423.

MDVL:4426 Women, Power, and Society in Medieval Europe
3 s.h.
Same as HIST:4426.