ABOUT THE NEW YORK CITY DOCTORAL CONSORTIUM

Founded in 1978, the New York City Doctoral Consortium allows students in graduate programs at member schools to cross-register for courses offered at other Consortium schools, to use their libraries, and consult with their faculty while enrolled in those courses, thereby expanding their course options and research opportunities. Access to these courses depends on space being available, the approval of the instructor, approval of the deans of the home school and host institution, and the student's program advisor. For more information on the medieval programs and course offerings of universities in the Consortium, visit www.nyu.edu/cas/crtmar/consortium.html.

THE DOCTORAL COLLOQUIUM IN MEDIEVAL STUDIES

The Colloquium aims (1) to provide an annual showcase to discuss the research work of New York City graduate students via four 25-minute papers by doctoral students at CUNY, Columbia, Fordham, and NYU; (2) to help graduate students working in an intensely interdisciplinary field to meet other graduate students; and (3) to provide a venue for all NYC medievalist graduate students to exchange experiences and views, and to isolate common interests, problems and issues by an open colloquium discussion section.

This year's speakers are from three different fields, but they use a range of methodologies and draw on insights coming from outside their home disciplines. Their work exemplifies the interdisciplinary awareness typical of medievalists, for whom there is always so much to be learned from how others confront problems and issues of medieval evidence, as well as from the kinds of questions they ask of their different source materials. All NYC medievalist graduate students are urged to attend; whether or not you think the papers are in your field, your own work cannot help but profit from attending an intensive interdisciplinary session. The papers will provide both an example and a starting point for the Colloquium's general discussion session. This will be a completely open session in which it is hoped that the needs and concerns of medievalist graduate students working in NYC can be voiced and discussed, and programs and future speakers considered.

HOW TO REACH THE COLLOQUIUM VENUE

The Colloquium will take place in the Lounge of McMahon Hall, Fordham University. Use the entrance at the corner of 60th and Columbus Avenue, and continue straight through past the escalators, past the University Shop, to the end of the hall. Turn right and then left again to enter McMahon Hall (then follow the signs).

Subway: 59th Street/Columbus Circle Station: A, B, C, D, 1 and 9 lines. Buses: M5, M7, M11, M104. Parking: Reduced-rate parking is available at Allie Garage (59th between 9th and 10th Avenues), Central Parking Kinney (58th between Broadway and Columbus), Preor Parking (61st between Columbus and Broadway) if you get your parking ticket validated at Fordham's Security Desk at the entrance at 60th and Columbus Avenue.

2:00 p.m. Welcome
Maryanne Kowaleski, Director, Center for Medieval Studies, Fordham University

2:15 p.m. Session I
Chair: Jocelyn Wogan-Browne, English, Fordham University

Heather Blurton, English, Columbia University
Cannibal Histories: Conquest, Nationality, and Identity in High Medieval England

Susannah Crowder, History, CUNY
Naked Boys, Lord and Ladies: Children in the Chester Midsummer Show

3:30 p.m. Break
4:00 p.m. Colloquium Forum:
Chair: Thomas Head, History, CUNY
Questions, Issues, General Discussion

4:30 p.m. Session II
Chair: Catherine McKenna, Comparative Literature, CUNY

Karen Overbey, Art History, Institute of Fine Arts, NYU
Sacred Spaces, Political Traces: The Domnach Airgid Shrine in Medieval Ireland

Jennifer Speed, History, Fordham University
Negotiating Kingship in Thirteenth-Century Iberia

5:45-7:00 p.m. Reception
(including food and drink)

IMPORTANT! There is no charge for attending the Colloquium or Reception, but to help with our planning, please let us know if you will attend by emailing us at medievals@fordham.edu or by calling us at (718) 817-4655, preferably by Tuesday, April 17.

Organizing Committee: Jocelyn Wogan-Browne (Chair), William Coleman, Robert Hanning, Thomas Head, Maryanne Kowaleski, Catherine McKenna.