

COURSE DETAIL

ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITIES, AND LANDSCAPES OF MEDIEVAL ITALY

Country

Italy

Host Institution

University of Bologna

Program(s)

University of Bologna

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Italian Archaeology

UCEAP Course Number

186

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITIES, AND LANDSCAPES OF MEDIEVAL ITALY

UCEAP Transcript Title

MEDIEVAL ITALY ENV

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale degree program and is intended for advanced level students. Enrollment is by permission of the instructor. By the end of the course, students acquire an updated knowledge about the main phenomena characterising the archaeology of settlements and environment of the Middle Ages. They will be familiar with the main methodological approaches of contemporary research, as well as be able to assess the reliability of the data presented and to highlight their limits. The students acquire a general knowledge about the main aspects of the settlement patterns evolution and the transformations of the environment during the Middle Ages in several geographic contexts. By knowing the different methodological approaches adopted by the contemporary research, the students gain the skills that they need to plan by themselves further studies or fieldwork itself, starting with the best methodological approach and the right research questions.

The course presents a series of research topics and processes through which the history and archaeology of Italian medieval landscapes are explored and compared with those of other areas in medieval Europe and the Mediterranean. To address this subject effectively, the course also delves into key methods and strategies in the archaeology and history of landscapes. The topics covered include: Archaeology, history, and medieval landscapes: methods and strategies; Fortifications and castles; Villages and other rural settlements; Uncultivated and agrarian landscapes; Urban landscapes; New towns and secondary settlements; Churches, monastic landscapes, and *deserta*; Archaeology of rural lords and peasant communities; The end of the Roman period; Italy: comparative landscapes of the north, center, and south; Italy in comparison with the eastern and western Mediterranean and northern and southern Europe.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

B1744

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Host Institution Campus

BOLOGNA

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

LM in ARCHAEOLOGY AND CULTURES OF THE ANCIENT WORLD

Host Institution Department

History and Cultures - DiSCi

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