

Summer School in Latin Palaeography

PONTIFICAL INSTITUTE OF MEDIAEVAL STUDIES, TORONTO



This four-week course is an intensive introduction to mediaeval handwriting in the Latin West from the late Roman period until the dawn of print. It is designed for those who wish to acquire the skills that will enable them to work

with unpublished Latin manuscript materials from the mediaeval period, whether as researchers or as librarians and collectors who have an interest in manuscripts, rare books, and mediaeval documentary survivals. Students will be introduced to all the main mediaeval systems of abbreviation, along with the principles of transcription, through daily exercises in identifying, dating, and transcribing various scripts. Scribal practices and the basics of mediaeval manuscript production will also be considered, as the context within which palaeographical developments occurred.

The venue for the course is the Palaeography Room in the Library of the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, and the Institute's own collection of mediaeval manuscripts and *diplomata* will be used to illustrate what is taught in class. Reading knowledge of Latin is essential and will be assumed.

The course meets three days per week, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:00–4:00 PM, and is taught by M. Michèle Mulchahey, Leonard E. Boyle Professor of Manuscript Studies at the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, and by Greti Dinkova-Bruun, Associate Fellow of the Institute.

The Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies inaugurates its new Summer School in Latin Palaeography

1–26 June 2009

Deadline

The deadline to register is **1 May 2009**. Spaces are limited; early registration is encouraged.

Fees

\$1,000 (CAD) to be paid by **1 May 2009**. Fees Refund Policy (in the case of withdrawal): *From date of payment to the start of classes*: full refund minus \$50 for administrative services. *In the first week*: 50% of fees will be refunded. *After the first week*: **NO** refund.

Registration

To register for the programme send a letter and the fee by **1 May 2009** to:

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