

HSTAM 235

Myths and Mysteries of the Middle Ages

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Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30-10:20

One of the goals of this class is to invite students to explore certain perennially “cool” subjects like druids, bog bodies, King Arthur, the Picts, the Templars, the Shroud of Turin, Robin Hood, and more. We will read medieval ghost stories and talk about the origins of Halloween, consider the writings of long-vanished Christian communities, and contemplate the manner in which modern concerns about gender have reshaped our understanding of figures like Joan of Arc.

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