CAMBRIDGE CLASSICS RESEARCH SEMINARS
MICHAELMAS TERM 2017

These Seminars are open to all Graduates and Senior Members who are interested in them. This list is also published on the website: http://www.classics.cam.ac.uk/faculty/seminars_conferences/. Some details have not yet been finalized.

A: LITERATURE

LITERARY SEMINAR GREEK AND LATIN ELEGY

Seminars will be at 5:15 on Wednesdays in room 1.04. All are welcome.

11 October
RICHARD HUNTER, Callimachus' Aitia and the description of rhetorical style

18 October
TOM NELSON, Sweet and Sombre Songbirds: The Aesthetics of Lament in Graeco-Roman Elegy

25 October
MARTINE CUYPERS, Peitho among the Graces: elegy and rhetoric in Hermesianax

1 November
STEPHEN HEYWORTH, Problems and pleasures in [Tibullus] 3

8 November
HELEN LOVATT, Propertius on Hylas

15 November
JENNIFER INGLEHEART The Ovidian bedroom (Ars amatoria 2.703 ff.): the place of sex in Ovidian elegiacs

22 November
LILY PANOUSSIS, Why do lovers pray to Isis? Ritual, Gender, and Ethnicity in Latin Elegy

29 November
DANIEL JOLOWICZ, Possession in Latin Love Elegy: erotic and grammatical
B: PHILOSOPHY:

The B Club

Meetings take place on Mondays in Room 1.11 of the Faculty of Classics unless otherwise stated. The meeting starts at 5 p.m. Tea is served from 4.30 p.m. All welcome.

16 October
Dr Ursula Coope, ‘Proclus on responsibility, self-movement and inquiry’

6 November
Professor Rae Langton, ‘Aristotle’s soul: musical, magical, or mathematical?’

13 November
Professor Brennan McDavid, 'Meddling in the work of another'

Thursday Seminar

Seminars will be at 17:15 every Thursday throughout Michaelmas and Lent in room 1.11. The Meetings will begin at 18:05 when the Philological Society Meets.

Plato’s Sophist

- 12 October
- 19 October
- 26 October
- 2 November
- 9 November
- 16 November
- 23 November
- 30 November

Everyone interested in the Sophist is welcome. Although this is the 'senior research seminar', the B Caucus positively encourages young people, people from other caucuses and indeed philosophical people with no affiliation with the B Caucus to attend.
C: ANCIENT HISTORY

The Ancient Historian's Toolbox

Seminars start at every Monday at 5:15pm and are held in room G.21 in the Faculty of Classics. All are welcome.

This will be a series of papers focusing on the variety of methodologies, evidence bases, and theoretical approaches used by those in the field.

9th October
Carrie Vout (Cambridge): Rome: sexuality and empire

16th October
Ben Raynor (Cambridge): Reconstructing the history of Epirus

23rd October
Robert Parker (Oxford): The Anthropology and Epigraphy of Divination

30th October
James Corke-Webster (King's College London): Reassessing the Persecution of the Christians: A Bottom-Up Approach

6th November
No seminar

13th November
Lynette Mitchell (Exeter): Cyrus the Great: a life in stories?

20th November
Ben Gray (Birkbeck): Epigraphy as Political Thought: Debates about the Scope of Politics in the Greek City under Rome

27th November
David Hollander (Iowa State): The Extramercantile Economy: Problematizing the New Institutional Economics Paradigm in Recent Studies of Ancient Greece and Rome
D: CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

Seminars start at 4.30pm and finish at 6pm, they are held in room 1.04 in the Faculty of Classics. All are welcome

10 October
James Heidel (President, The Antinoupolis Foundation)
Recent field work at Antinoupolis
(Joint seminar with the Egyptian World Seminar Series, McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, to be held at the McDonald)

17 October
Manuel Flecker (Tuebingen)
Resemblance - touch - reproduction. First thoughts on the relationship between sculpture and cast in antiquity

24 October
Robin Cormack (Cambridge)
Exploring Thessaloniki: a mismatch of art history and urban history

31 October
John Hanson (Colorado)
Oppidum cadavera: Assessing the impact of ancient urban systems on the development of Europe

7 November [No seminar]

14 November [No seminar]

21 November
Ben Russell (Edinburgh)
Aeclanum: A city on the Appia from the Samnite period to Late Antiquity

28 November
Burak Belge (Mersin University)
Anatolian Historic City Centres in Multilayered Context
E: PHILOLOGY AND LINGUISTICS

The Linguistics Research Seminar as well as the Mycenaean Seminars will take place on Wednesdays between 4:30 and 6pm in room 1.11.

- Oct 11 Filip de Decker
- Oct 25 Alessandro Vatri
- Nov 01 Ben Cartlidge
- Nov 22 Barbara McGillivray

Titles TBC

Indo-European Seminar

All meetings will begin at 4.30pm in Room 1.11 of the Faculty of Classics. Tea will be available from 4.15pm, and the meeting will adjourn to a local hostelry at 6pm.

Wednesday 11 October
Dr Filip de Decker (University of Gent)
The Augment in Epic Greek: Homer, Hesiod, the Homeric Hymns and the Epic Fragments

Wednesday 25 October
Dr Alessandro Vatri (University of Oxford) Prose Feet and Rhythm Perception in Classical Greek

Wednesday 1 November
Dr Ben Cartlidge (University of Oxford)
Meter, phonological change, and Menander’s diphthongs

Wednesday 22 November
Dr Barbara McGillivray (University of Cambridge) Computational approaches to the analysis of Latin verbs’ argument structure

PHILOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Meetings are at 4.30 p.m., tea and cakes from 4 p.m. Unless indicated, meetings will be held in Room G.21, Faculty of Classics.

19 October
Dr Ingo Gildenhard
Cicero on virtue and friendship

2 November
Professor Melanie Möller
‘videri forma potest hominis’ (Ovid, Met. 1.404ff.): Man’s formation in the shadow of Prometheus

16 November
Coleridge Room, Jesus College
Dr Rupert Thompson
The Ventris-Chadwick correspondence and the decipherment of Linear B
GRADUATE INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINARS

Fridays at 16:30 in Room 1.11

All Graduates are warmly invited to attend the Graduate Interdisciplinary Seminar (GIS) series, which will be running on Friday evenings throughout the Term. The Seminar format is usually two twenty-minute papers, each followed by questions and discussion, or one paper followed by a ‘snippet‘ (a shorter presentation focusing on a more specific issue or problem, to be discussed at greater length). The GIS provides an ideal forum for discussing new ideas and developing presentational skills in a relaxed, friendly and supporting environment. The Seminars are always followed by drinks and dinner at a nearby pub, to which everyone is welcome.

13 October
Lea Niccolai, ‘From epic to parable: retelling the Fall of Troy in Syriac chronography’
Alina Kozlovski, Grads Curate and Grand Tours

20 October
Alessio Santoro, ‘First Philosophy problems: Are unity and being the substance of all things? (Aristotle, Metaphysics B.4, 1001 a 4-b 25)’
Valeria Pace, ‘Class in Daphnis and Chloe: Converging Dichotomies of Nature and Culture’

27 October
Hanneke Reijnierse-Salisbury, ‘Questioning the chronology of Romano-British tombstone reliefs’
Natalia Elvira Astoreca, ‘New perspectives on the study of early Greek alphabetic writing’

3 November
Thomas Nelson, ‘Metapoetic Horseriding’
Talitha Kearey, ‘Two acrostics in Horace’s Satires’

10 November
TBC
Ben Kybett, ‘Themistius Oration 5 and Religious Tolerance in the Fourth Century AD’

17 November
Marc Bonaventura, ‘The portrayal of women in the De Excidio Troiae Historia attributed to Dares Phrygius’
Konstantinos Lygouris, ‘Performing the voice of the chorus in Aeschylus’ Oresteia’

24 November
Graham Andrews, ‘Pertinax: the emperor who declined and fell’
Florence Kipps, ‘Political speeches in Xenophon’s Hellenica’

1 December
Rebecca Lees