The Early Modern Interdisciplinary Seminar is a fortnightly meeting of scholars whose work relates to any aspect of early modern History. The seminar exists to highlight and discuss innovative research that weaves together a diverse array of disciplines, including History, English Literature, Philosophy, Law, Linguistics, Economics, and Theology. The seminar aims to bring academics, researchers and students from a wide variety of fields and academic backgrounds into ever-closer dialogue with one another, and to explore the many ways in which cross-disciplinary themes, ideas, arguments and evidence can illuminate the early modern period. The meeting is divided into two sections. The first section invites a guest speaker to deliver a paper on their research for one hour. The second section provides 15-30 minutes for the speaker to answer questions on the topic and engage in a discussion on the cross-disciplinary implications of their work.

Attendees are invited to bring a packed lunch to the seminar. Tea and coffee is also provided.

19th October

Dr Jonathan Willis
University of Birmingham

‘Towards a Cultural History of Theology: The Ten Commandments and Popular Belief in Reformation England’

2nd November

Professor Naomi Standen
University of Birmingham

Options and Experiments: Defining the ‘Global Middle Ages’

16th November

Dr Cassandra Gorman
Anglia Ruskin University

‘World-making and world-breaking: Hester Pultter’s atom poems’

30th November

Hannah Worthen
University of Leicester and the National Archives

‘For the hazards of War are equall’: The narratives of Royalist widows in print, petitions and at law during the Civil Wars and Interregnum

Convenors
Simone Hanebaum (sh840) | Nadine Weiss (nw349) | Joseph Ashmore (ja443) | Patrick McGhee (pm541)