Early Modern Interdisciplinary Seminar

Michaelmas Term 2017

The seminars are held in Room sr14 in the Faculty of English from 12.00 to 13:15pm unless otherwise indicated

The Early Modern Interdisciplinary Seminar is a fortnightly meeting of scholars whose work relates to any aspect of early modern history.

The seminar seeks to highlight and discuss innovative research that weaves together a diverse array of disciplines, including History, Literature, Philosophy, Law, Geography, Archaeology, Linguistics, Economics, and Theology. It aims to bring academics, researchers and students from a wide variety of fields, academic backgrounds, and geographical locations 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 seminar also seeks to challenge conventional boundaries of periodization and space, inviting scholars of ancient, medieval and modern worlds to explore the relationships between their work and 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.

11th October
Sara Norja, Ph.D. Candidate at the Department of English, University of Turku.
"Alchemy in the vernacular: A digital edition of early English manuscript versions of The Mirror of Alchemy"

25th October
Dr. Mary Chadwick, English and Creative Writing Department, University of Huddersfield
"Threshing for Rhymes and Feeding the Lion: Anglophone-Welsh Manuscript Cultures in the
Eighteenth Century

8th November
Dr. Christina M. Anderson, School of European Languages, Culture and Society, University College London.
"The Material World of the Early Modern Flemish Merchant: Commodities, Collections and ‘Kennis’"

22nd November
Dr. Rebecca Tomlin, Faculty of English, University of Cambridge.
"Neighbourhood narratives: charitable petitioning and playing in early modern London"

Convenors
Laia Portet i Codina (Fitzwilliam)
Esther Osorio Whewell (Jesus)
Tessa Peres (King's)