

Summer Latin Paleography at CUA

In Summer 2013, the Center for Medieval and Byzantine Studies and the Department of Greek and Latin will offer *LATIN 534: Latin Paleography*, a three-credit-hour course open to graduate students, advanced undergraduates, and others with sufficient background in Latin (please see “Prerequisite” below).

- **Description:** LATIN 534 is an intensive introduction to the study of Latin scripts from classical antiquity to the early Renaissance. Designed to provide enrollees with the skills necessary to begin to make use of Latin manuscripts in their research, this course will focus on practical exercises in identifying and transcribing the various scripts, with a strong emphasis on the Latin bookhands of the Gothic period (A.D. 1200–1500). LATIN 534 will be of interest to students whose studies are centered in or touch upon the Middle Ages and who wish to work with unpublished Latin materials of the medieval period. It may also be considered an essential first course for those who propose to undertake research in unpublished Latin sources in libraries and archives and to prepare technical descriptions of Latin manuscripts and editions of Medieval Latin texts or documents. No prior knowledge of paleography is required or expected.
- **Dates:** May 20, 2013–June 29, 2013; Monday-Wednesday-Friday, 6:30–9:10 p.m.
- **Instructor:** Prof. Frank Mantello (Mantello@cua.edu), Department of Greek and Latin, CUA. For information about the instructor, please visit <http://greeklatin.cua.edu/faculty/index.cfm>. He has taught Latin paleography and Medieval Latin at CUA since 1979 and at Notre Dame’s Medieval Institute during summer sessions from 1997 to 2011.
- **Prerequisite:** Enrollees must be graduate students, advanced undergraduates, and others who have completed, recently and for college credit, both elementary- and intermediate-level Classical Latin or the equivalent. Those who are uncertain about whether or not they have satisfied this prerequisite are asked to write to the instructor (Mantello@cua.edu) with details of the courses they have taken and/or their background in Latin.

- **CARA/CUA Summer Tuition Scholarships:** The Committee on Centers and Regional Associations (CARA) of the Medieval Academy of America will provide two scholarships that, when supplemented by scholarship funds provided by CUA, will together cover all tuition expenses for two graduate students. Scholarship applicants must be student members of the Medieval Academy, and recipients are responsible for all room and board costs and any additional fees charged by the University (for these fees, please visit <http://enrollmentservices.cua.edu/Student-Financial-Information/Costs.cfm>). For information about joining the Medieval Academy, please visit <http://www.medievalacademy.org/>. To apply for one of the CARA/CUA scholarships, applicants should (1) send a resumé/*curriculum vitae* and brief personal statement that outlines their research interests, background in Latin and medieval studies, and the importance of this summer paleography course for their program, and (2) arrange to send separately a complete academic transcript and two letters of recommendation to this address:

CARA/CUA Summer Scholarships
Center for Medieval and Byzantine Studies
The Catholic University of America
Washington, DC 20064

The deadline for receipt of these materials is April 22, 2013.

- **Enrollment in LATIN 534:** Please note that course enrollment and the application for a CARA/CUA Summer Tuition Scholarship are separate procedures. For course enrollment information, please visit <http://summer.cua.edu> and follow the directions there. Applicants for the CARA/CUA Summer Tuition Scholarships should follow the instructions given above.
- **On-Campus Housing and Meal Plans:** For *on-campus housing*, please visit <http://conferences.cua.edu/cuastudentintern/index.cfm>. For *meal plans*, please visit <http://www.campusdish.com/en-US/CSE/CatholicUniversity/MealPlans/SummerMealPlans.htm>.