

Call for Papers:

Culture and Society in Medieval Europe

POSTGRADUATE COURSE – CALL FOR PAPERS
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The Centre for Medieval Studies (CMS) at the University of Bergen is happy to invite doctoral students from all fields pertaining to medieval studies, such as history, archaeology, philology etc., to participate in an interdisciplinary summer school course in Bergen the coming September. The course is intended to give the participating students the opportunity to have their material discussed in seminars chaired and attended by established scholars, as well as to offer lectures from distinguished scholars in different fields of study. The course is hosted by Centre for Medieval Studies at the University of Bergen, and is organised jointly with the Nordic Centre for Medieval Studies, with branches in Gothenburg, Helsinki and Odense, and with the Finnish Literature Society.

The theme for the course has been kept open and general on purpose. This is to allow PhD-students from very different fields within medieval studies to meet and, it is hoped, mutually inspire and inform each other through an interdisciplinary exchange of ideas and experiences. In keeping with this aim, the invited lecturers represent important but variegated fields of research into the middle ages. The research focus of the CMS in Bergen is mainly on understanding European culture from a peripheral point of view – that is, through the dynamics of cultural development and exchange between the northern and eastern peripheries of Europe and its central areas. A combination of lecturers from the CMS staff and internationally renowned scholars will cover the peripheries as well as the central areas. We therefore invite participants not only from research fields related to the Nordic Middle Ages, but also from disciplines pertaining to the more central areas and aspects of medieval Europe.

Doctoral students are invited to participate and present their research (around 15 pages). Please send your one-page abstract no later than **May 1, 2008** to the course co-ordinator. To ensure the maximum efficiency, the number of participants is limited to 20. They will receive a bursary covering the course fee, accommodation and activities.

Decisions will be announced on **May 31, 2008**.

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