

General Information	
Academic subject	Christian and Medieval Epigraphy
Academic year	2020-2021
Degree course	Historical and Documental Sciences - Curriculum LM5
ECTS credits	9
Compulsory attendance	Yes
Language	Italian

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ECTS credits details		SSD	Credits
Basic teaching activities		L-ANT/08	9

Class schedule	
Period	First semester
Year	First
Type of class	Lecture-workshops

Time management	
Hours	225
In-class study hours	63
Out-of-class study hours	162

Academic calendar	
Class begins	September 28, 2020
Class ends	December 11, 2020

Syllabus	
Prerequisites/requirements	History and archaeology of Late Antiquity, Byzantium and Early Middle Ages. Ancient Greek and Latin.
Expected learning outcomes (according to Dublin Descriptors) (it is recommended that they are congruent with the learning outcomes contained in A4a, A4b, A4c tables of the SUA-CdS)	<p><i>Knowledge and understanding</i> Increase of the knowledge of Late Antiquity and Early Middle Ages by using direct historical sources, as the “written monuments” are; they will be considered by updated methods and views of the modern epigraphic domain.</p> <p><i>Applying knowledge and understanding</i> Capacity of learning and active use of epigraphic tools, including the ones recently developed by the IT domain experts.</p> <p><i>Making informed judgements and choices</i> The students will be able to <i>establish relations</i> between the presented inscriptions and their respective historical contexts.</p> <p><i>Communicating knowledge and understanding</i> A written document, as an inscription, is intrinsically closed to an immediate understanding. The student, by contextualization, reading, translation and comment of the inscriptions will obtain a capacity to communicate them to audience of different cultural levels.</p> <p><i>Capacities to continue learning</i> To read, to translate, to understand and to comment the inscriptions, are the main tools to give to the students a direct knowledge of these sources. It is a</p>

	real occasion for the students to use actively their historical and archaeological notions, in order to interpretate the written monuments as complex documents, where contexts, objects and texts are strictly and reciprocally connected.
Contents	<p>The goal of the course is to offer a general view about the epigraphic habit in the Early Christianity and its development towards the epigraphy of Byzantium and Western Early Middle Ages.</p> <p>According to this view, the various topics will be presented and discussed on the base of a dossier of inscriptions, with particular attention to the use of epigraphic <i>medium</i> in the cultic and devotional contexts, between Severan age and Early Middle Ages.</p>
Course program	
Bibliography	<p><u>Basic texts.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. S. Panciera, <i>What is an Inscription? Problems of definition and identity of an historical source</i>, "Zeitschrift für Papyrologie und Epigraphik" 183, 2012, 1-10. 2. C. Carletti, <i>Epigrafia dei cristiani in Occidente dal III al VII secolo</i>, Bari 2008, pp. 7-126 3. R. Favreau, <i>Épigraphie médiévale</i>, Brepols, Turnhout 1997, pp. 5-27; 57-89; 113-139. <p><u>Detailed topic</u></p> <p>Christian Church and epigraphy. The epigraphic <i>medium</i> adopted by clergy as a tool to increase visibility and power, from Late Antiquity to Middle Ages (3rd-12th cent.).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - G. Cuscito, <i>Vescovo e cattedrale nella documentazione epigrafica in Occidente. Italia e Dalmazia</i>, in <i>Actes du XIe Congrès International d'Archéologie Chrétienne (Lyon, Vienne, Grenoble, Genève, Aoste, 21-28 septembre 1986)</i>, Rome 1989 (Publications de l'École française de Rome, 123), pp. 735-776; https://www.persee.fr/doc/efr_0000-0000_1989_act_123_1_3491. - C. Carletti, <i>Dalla 'pratica aperta' alla 'pratica chiusa'. Produzione epigrafica a Roma tra V e VIII secolo</i>, in <i>Roma nell'Alto Medioevo. XLVIII Settimana di Studio del CISAM (Spoleto, 27 aprile - 1 maggio 2000)</i>, Spoleto 2001, pp. 325-392. - F. Gandolfo, <i>Il ruolo della scrittura nei mosaici del medioevo romano</i>, in <i>Roma e il suo territorio nel Medioevo. Le fonti scritte fra tradizione e innovazione (Atti del Convegno Internazionale di Studio dell'Associazione Italiana dei Paleografi e Diplomatisti, Roma 25-29 ottobre 2012)</i>, a cura di C. Carbonetti, S. Lucà, M. Signorini, Spoleto 2015, 439-470. - G. Cavallo - F. Magistrale, <i>Mezzogiorno normanno e scritture esposte</i>, in G. Cavallo - C. Mango, <i>Epigrafia medievale greca e latina. Ideologia e funzione</i>, Spoleto 1995, 293-329, part. 315-329.
Notes	The students can choose some texts from proposed bibliography, in order to retrieve informations and notions about general methodology of the epigraphy; history of the discipline of Christian and medieval epigraphy; Epigraphic evidences of Christianity in Late antiquity and Early Middle Ages.
Teaching methods	During the lessons, some inscriptions will be presented in order to be read, translated and commented by the students with a constant interaction with the teacher.
Assessment methods (indicate at least the type)	Oral Exam

written, oral, other)	
Evaluation criteria (Explain for each expected learning outcome what a student has to know, or is able to do, and how many levels of achievement there are.	The student must show its own capacities to read, to translate, to understand and to interpret the inscriptions, in order to use them critically as useful elements to build “historical landscapes”. The ability to establish relationships between the different documents and their archaeological and historical contexts will be considered as a positive element for the evaluation.
Further information	<p>Final Dissertation</p> <p>The final dissertation consists in a written thesis about Christian or Medieval inscriptions, in order to develop autonomy in research, study and edition of the epigraphic documents.</p> <p>Office hours</p> <p>The office hours are published in the teacher page in the Department website: https://www.uniba.it/ricerca/dipartimenti/disum/dipartimento/personale/personale-docente</p>