

An Introduction to the Palaeography and the Transmission of the Latin Classics

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Mondays at 12 noon, Ioannou Classics Centre [but not in week 6]

These are largely conceived of as classes, with much reading of MSS; those attending should register by writing in advance to stephen.heyworth@wadham.ox.ac.uk. Material will be made available each week on Canvas: it will also be useful for those attending to have printouts for annotation as well as access to images on screen (which can sometimes be helpfully magnified).

wk 1: Introduction

Transmission of classical texts; looking at manuscripts, and describing them

wk 2: ancient scripts: Capitals, Uncials, Half-uncial

wk 3: Caroline Minuscule; Protogothic; Abbreviations

wk 4: Gothic

wk 5: Beneventan; + Merovingian, Vizigothic, Luxeuil

wk 6: **special session in different location**, inspecting Bodleian MSS in the flesh, in the Horton Room, Weston Library [precise arrangements to be confirmed]

wk 7: Humanistic

wk 8: MSS of Catullus; electronic resources for the study of MSS

In the second half of Hilary there will be transcription sessions for those taking the Latin Textual Criticism option (for Schools or the M.St or M.Phil.) or the Masters Latin Palaeography half option [two sessions focussing on Catullus MSS for all; a third looking at other scripts for those doing Palaeography].