

# Winter Workshop

## The Archives of the Holy See: an Introduction

Rome, 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> January 2020

The Sangalli Institute for the religious history and cultures of Florence is pleased to announce its first seminar on the Archives of the Holy See, which will be held in the third week of January 2020 in Rome. The key aim of the seminar is to introduce **young scholars and students in Humanities** to the main Archives of the Holy See, with special emphasis on the early-modern and modern period, and how to access and use the documentation preserved therein. Students will be introduced to the history of the Papal Curia and its archives and will learn how to read and examine the different types of documents preserved in the most important archives of the Holy See. This seminar will be particularly useful for any students enrolled in graduate programs in early-modern and modern history, but also for **archivists, museum curators, and scholars** who are currently working on the history of Roman Catholicism from different points of view. The seminar will consist of morning lectures on the history of the Papal Curia, archival research, and palaeography. The afternoon sessions will be devoted to visit a selected group of archives of the Holy See. The morning classes will include practical exercises and reading/comprehension of the documents.

During the seminar the following archives will be visited:

- 1) **Vatican Secret Archives**
- 2) **Historical Archives of the Congregation for the Evangelization of People (de Propaganda Fide)**
- 3) **Archives of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith**
- 4) **Archives of the Vicariate of Rome**
- 5) **Archives of the Fabbrica di San Pietro**

The seminar's list of lectures will include:

Introduction to Archival Research in Rome; The Vatican Secret Archives: Brief History and Structure; Archival Research in the Archives of the Fabbrica di San Pietro; Archival Research in the Archives of the Vicariate of Rome; Archival Research in the Archives of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith; Archival Research in the Archives of the Congregation for the Evangelization of People (de Propaganda Fide); Laboratories on Manuscripts & Documents: Language, Scripts, Conventions, Dating & Documentary Typologies.

The lectures and the laboratories will be held, among the others, by Proff. **Matteo Binasco** (University for foreigners of Siena); **Benedetta Borello** (University of Cassino); **Irene Fosi** (University of Chieti), **Massimo C. Giannini** (University of Teramo); **Giuseppe Mrozek Eliszezynski** (University of Chieti); **Giovanni Pizzorusso** (University of Chieti).

A basic knowledge of Italian is recommended, but no previous archival and palaeographic experience is required. Students will be encouraged to develop and improve their current researches by meeting with the archivists and the senior scholars in order to plan future research-trips to Rome, and more broadly to Italy.

Perspective applicants should send to the following e-mail address: [segreteria@istitutosangalli.it](mailto:segreteria@istitutosangalli.it)

- 1) a one-page CV
- 2) a brief statement letter (no more than one A4 page) in which they explain how this seminar will improve their research.

The above email address should also be used for any queries pertaining to administrative details, course tuition and general information.

Cost of the seminar (including the morning lectures and visit to the archives): **1.000,00 € (one thousand euros)**.

Deadline for application: **1<sup>st</sup> December 2019**.