

Summer Seminar

“The Archives of the Religious Orders: a New Perspective on Global Catholicism”

Period: 3rd -7th June 2024

The Sangalli Institute for the religious history and cultures of Florence is pleased to announce its second workshop on the central archives of the religious orders, which will be held in Rome from 3rd to 7th June 2024.

This workshop will focus on the archives of some important religious orders and on their materials, providing especially, but not only, to **young scholars in Humanities** a new perspective on global Catholicism **from Middle Ages until the Contemporary Era**. The workshop will offer a multi-disciplinary approach to the role played by the religious orders and their impact from an historical, ethno-anthropological and art historical point of view, and on a global scale. The participants will be introduced to the study of the religious orders and their archives and will learn how to know, read and understand the different kinds of documents preserved therein.

This workshop will be particularly useful for any **students enrolled in graduate and Ph.D. programs in history**, but also for archivists, **museum curators, art historians, anthropologists and established scholars who are currently working on global Catholicism**.

The seminar will consist of morning lectures on the history of some crucial catholic religious orders, archival research, and palaeography. Participants will be encouraged to introduce their current or future research in order to have useful feedbacks from the archivists and professors involved in the seminar. The afternoon sessions will be devoted to visit a selected group of archives of the same religious orders. **Morning lectures and guided visits will be held in English.**

During the seminar the following archives will be visited:

- 1) **General Archives of the Discalced Carmelites**
- 2) **General Historical Archives of the Minor Friars (Franciscans)**
- 3) **Archivum Generale Augustinianum (Augustinians)**
- 4) **Archivum Generale Ordinis Praedicatorum (Dominicans)**
- 5) **Archivum Romanum Societatis Iesu (Jesuits)**

The lectures and the laboratories will be held, among the others, by Proff. **Axel Alt** (Teresianum, Rome); **Paolo Evangelisti** (Archivio Storico della Camera dei Deputati, Rome); **Enrico Flaiani** (Archivio Apostolico Vaticano); **Massimo Carlo Giannini** (University of Teramo-Universidad Complutense de Madrid); **Eugenio Menegon** (Boston University); **P. Fr. Josef Sciberras osa** (Istituto Storico Agostiniano, Rome).

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 professors 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

- 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. Information about possible accommodation in Rome will also be provided.

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

Up to a maximum of 5 registrations amounting at **€ 600,00 (six hundred euros)** each will be reserved to master students, not yet graduated nor enrolled in a Ph.D. program. The selection will be made on the basis of their motivations to the participation to the workshop and the relevance of their research. A **special rate of 750,00 € (seven hundred fifty euros)** will be reserved to the participants at the past winter course on **Papal Archives**.

The registrations will be closed as soon as the **number of 15 participants** will be reached. We invite therefore, if interested, to send the applications as soon as possible, in order to book ahead flights and accommodations in Rome during that week.

Deadline for application: **25th March 2024**