THE CENTURY OF THE BLACK DEATH: ECONOMY, SOCIETY AND RELIGION

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In the light of the most recent scholarly inroads into a popular topic, this seminar will allow an in-depth examination of the traditional historiography pertaining to the Black Death in the context of the "long" fourteenth-century and its crises: demographic pressure, famine, epidemics, civic unrest, warfare, and troubled papacy. Selected topics will lead to the critical assessment of the impact of the Black Death on late medieval society, as seen from England, but also France, Italy, Spain and the Holy Roman Empire.



Books to be purchased:

- Horrox, Rosemary (transl.). *The Black Death*. Coll.: Manchester Medieval Sources Series. Manchester / New York: Manchester University Press: 1994;
- Lehfeldt, Elizabeth A. *The Black Death*, Boston & New York: Houghton Mifflin Company, 2005;
- Ziegler, Philip. *The Black Death*. New York: The John Day Company, 1969 or latest edition.