

Joint Summer School 15-17 May 2023

Literary Materiality in the Middle Ages: How did it really work?
University of Zurich UZH / The Ohio State University Columbus (OSU)

Topic

One recurring question that arises when one is confronted with premodern textual culture is “How did this really work?”, i.e., what were the material conditions in which these texts were produced, received, and transmitted? How did the audience have access to the texts: through reading, listening, or even watching a performance? The present Summer School addresses some of the major issues regarding reading and writing in a manuscript culture, both in Latin and in the vernacular. Furthermore, it deals with medieval material culture as reflected in texts. Clothing and armour are a good example of the problems with which scholars are confronted, since the vocabulary and the reality to which they refer have changed considerably over the centuries. Within the scope of the Summer School, introductory lectures will alternate with practical exercises. The evenings are reserved for the discussion of problems that the participants have encountered in their work. The event also offers the possibility for young scholars to meet with academics both from European and North American traditions.

Provisional Program – campus map below

Sunday, 14 May Arrival in Columbus

Reception on arrival

Monday, 15 May

Writing, Reading, Listening (Hagerty Hall 62)

(Prof. Carmen Cardelle de Hartmann UZH, Prof. Frank Coulson OSU, Prof. Anna Grotans OSU, Prof. Richard Trachsler UZH, Dr. Lisa Ciccone UZH, Dr. Marco Veneziale UZH)

Gather at 830

900-1200 - Introductory lectures

- Manuscript Culture: The Script (Prof. Frank Coulson OSU)
- Manuscript Culture: The Codex (Prof. Carmen Cardelle de Hartmann UZH)

1200-1300 - Lunch (catered by OSU Department of French & Italian)

1300-1600 - Practical exercises: Describing a Codex

Students will split into groups supervised by Prof. Carmen Cardelle de Hartmann UZH, Dr. Lisa Ciccone UZH, Prof. Frank Coulson OSU, Laura Endress Oxford, Prof. Anna Grotans OSU, Piero Andrea Martina CNRS-IRHT Paris, Prof. Richard Trachsler UZH

1600-1700 - Tea break (not catered – see list of local options at bottom of program):

1700-1900 - Presentation and discussion of case studies from the participants’ research

1900 - Dinner (not catered – see list of local options at bottom of program):

Tuesday, 16 May

Performing literature (Hagerty Hall 62)

(Prof. Carmen Cardelle de Hartmann UZH, Prof. Frank Coulson OSU, Prof. Anna Grotans OSU, Prof. Richard Trachsler UZH)

Gather at 830

900-1200 - Introductory lectures

- Reading and Performing Latin in the German-speaking East (Prof. Anna Grotans OSU)
- Performing Vernacular Literature (Prof. Richard Trachsler UZH, Dr. Marco Veneziale UZH)

1200-1300 - Lunch (catered by OSU Department of Germanic Languages & Literatures):

1300-1600 - Practical exercises

Tracking Orality in Manuscripts (students will select the most relevant workshop for them)
Germanic Languages (Prof. Anna Grotans OSU); Romance Languages (Prof. Richard Trachsler UZH);
Latin (Prof. Carmen Cardelle de Hartmann UZH, Dr. Lisa Ciccone UZH, Prof. Frank Coulson OSU)

2000 - Dinner – [Rooh Columbus](#)

Wednesday, 17 May *Fashion* (Hagerty Hall 62)

(Prof. Sarah-Grace Heller OSU)

Gather at 830

900-1200 - Introductory lecture (Prof. Sarah-Grace Heller OSU)

- Fashion Theory
- Workshop: Talking about Fashion in Literary Texts

1200-1300 - Lunch (not catered – see list of local options at bottom of program)

1300-1530 - Workshop: Writing an Academic Essay

1600-1800 - Introductory lecture (Prof. Richard Trachsler UZH)

- Heraldry and Armoury
- Workshop: Describing and Inventing Arms

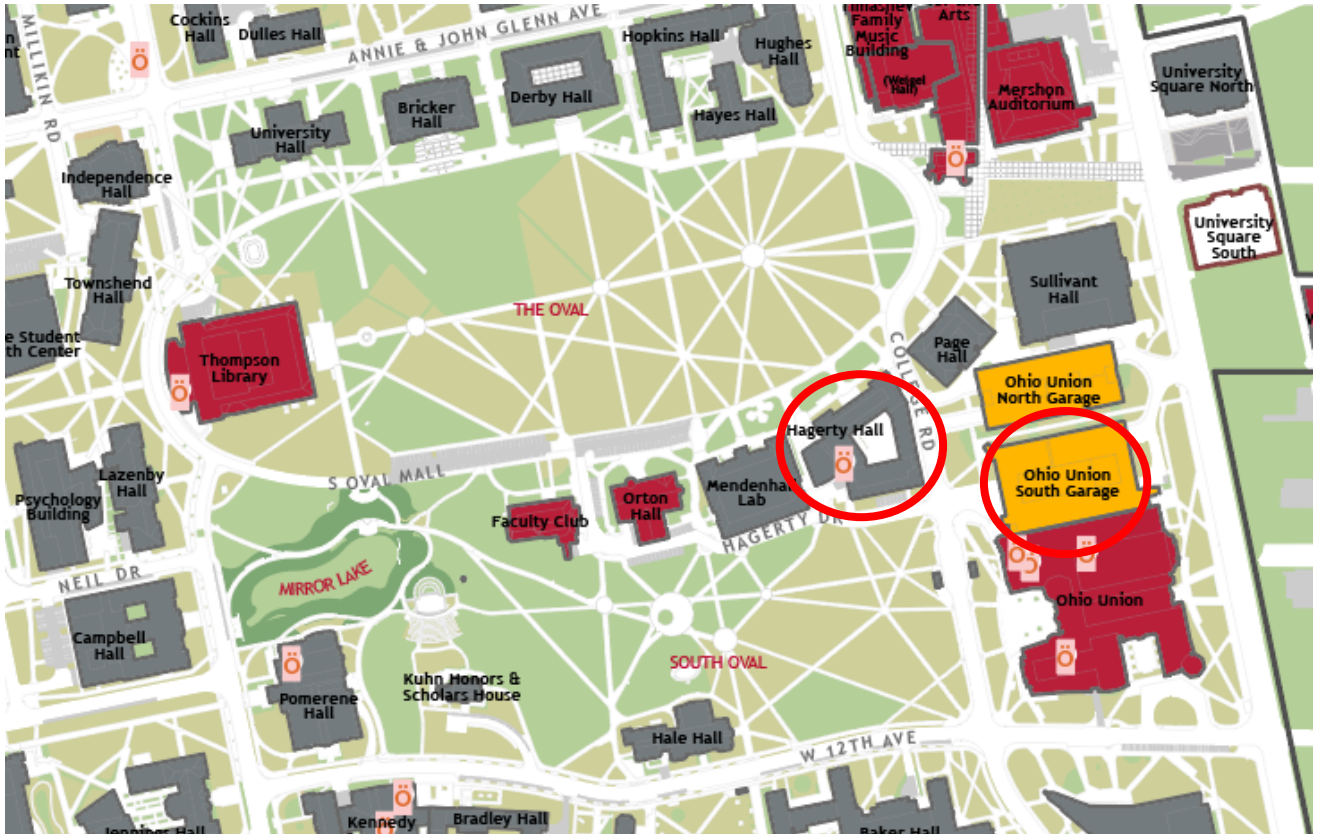
2000 - Dinner ([SOW Plated](#))

Conclusion & departure

The Ohio State University Campus Map

Parking option – Ohio Union South Garage, 1759 N High St, Columbus, OH 43210

Hagerty Hall 62 – Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday, 1775 College Rd S, Columbus, OH 43210



List of local food options

1. [Adriatico's Pizza](#) – 1618 Neil Ave, Columbus, OH 43201
2. [Apollo's Greek Kitchen](#) – 1758 N High St, Columbus, OH 43201
3. [BIBIBOP Asian Grill](#) – 1778 N High St, Columbus, OH 43201
4. [Bruegger's Bagels](#) – 1630 Neil Ave, Columbus, OH 43201
5. [First Watch](#) – 1567 N High St, Columbus, OH 43201
6. [Hangover Easy](#) – 1646 Neil Ave, Columbus, OH 43201
7. [Lan Zhou Noodles](#) – 10 E 12th Ave, Columbus, OH 43201
8. [Panera Bread](#) – 451 W 10th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210
9. [Plaza Mexican Grill & Bar](#) – 1644 N High St, Columbus, OH 43201
10. [Poke Bros.](#) – 2036 N High St, Columbus, OH 43201

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