

# UNIVERSAL HISTORIES RESEARCH SEMINAR

**Convenors: Audrey Borowski & Prof. Nicholas Halmi**

**Wednesday of week 1 and Tuesdays of weeks 2–8 at 5.15pm**

**Lecture Room A, Queen's College (except week 6)**

## Week 1: Wednesday, 22 January 2020

**Prof. Mogens Laerke** (Maison Française d'Oxford)  
'Spinoza: True Religion and the Narratives of Universal Faith'

## Week 2: Tuesday, 28 January

**Prof. Maike Oergel** (University of Nottingham)  
'Ancient Equalities? Constructing Hebrew, Classical, and  
"Northern" Cultural Origins to Legitimise a New Modern Culture'

## Week 3: Tuesday, 4 February

**Prof. Ann Thomson** (European University Institute)  
'The English Universal History's Treatment of the Arab World'

## Week 4: Tuesday, 11 February

**Prof. Élisabeth Décultot** (Universität Halle)  
'A Universal History of Ancient Art: Winckelmann's *History of the Art of Antiquity*'

## Week 5: Tuesday, 18 February

**Prof. David Womersley** (University of Oxford)  
'Gibbon and Universal History'

## Week 6: Tuesday, 25 February

**Dr Peter Hill** (Northumbria University)  
'Universalising European history? Arab Literati and  
Enlightenment Histories, 1800–1870' (**Magrath Room, Queen's**)

## Week 7: Tuesday, 3 March

**Prof. Daniel Fulda** (Universität Halle)  
'Philosophy of History: How Religious Is It? Transcendence and  
Immanence in Herder and Bossuet'

## Week 8: Tuesday, 10 March

**Dr Silvia Sebastiani** (École des Hautes Études en  
Sciences Sociales, Paris)  
"I have begun this Philosophy of Man with his History": Lord  
Monboddo's Universal History of the Human Species

**All welcome!**

