

Graduate Program in the Ancient Mediterranean World-History and Archeology

AMK-ΠΑΡ 165: Island Archaeology in the Bronze Age Aegean| **Assistant Professor**

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Island Archaeology has become a distinct area of study, which will be analysed in regards to the Bronze Age Aegean. During the weekly meetings the students will study and present different island cases, underlining the approaches and issues that exist. At the same time, various interpretations of the available data and phenomena will be provided which are recognized for each example-island, while there will be an emphasis on the discussion of issues that will be raised in each meeting.

Graduate Program in Byzantine and Medieval Studies

ΒΣ-ΙΜΧ 131: Commons, common good, public good, 1300-1700| **Associate Professor Eleni**

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In the age of the Internet and globalisation, the concept of the "Commons" is central to the social, economic and political debate. The postgraduate seminar aims to follow the evolution of this institution between the Middle Ages and early modern period. If the Commons is defined as the natural resources owned/ accessible to the members of a society, in the pre-industrial era they included goods such as fields, pastures and forests, water, water resources, fisheries, the coastline, but also collective bodies such as guilds, confraternities and communities. Particularly prevalent during the Middle Ages, a historical period dominated by forms of overlapping possession and usage rather than full ownership, the commons were challenged by the Enlightenment, the rationalisation of economic thought and the dominance of secure property rights. Exploring this historical development is essential to understanding the concept of the commons today.

The seminar is offered jointly by the Master's Programme in Byzantine and Medieval Studies and the Master's Programme in European Studies at University Lumière Lyon 2, in collaboration with Professors E. Zei and Monica Martinat.