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Conquest and Migration (An Sém. I / Textes en contexte) (2AN2064)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Pilier principal M A - littératures	Séminaire: 2 ph	cont. continu	5
Pilier secondaire M A - littératures	Séminaire: 2 ph	cont. continu	5

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Printemps

Equipe enseignante:

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Objectifs:

This course helps students enhance their skills in close reading and critical analysis of texts; these skills are useful for writing papers.

Contenu:

The arrival of the Anglo-Saxons in Britain in the 5th century has been a fertile ground for the making of a migration myth way beyond the Middle Ages. Thus, Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States, compared the move of the early Puritans from Europe to Northern America to the (militant) migration of the Anglo-Saxons from the continent to the British island. And King Arthur, who famously resisted the Anglo-Saxon invaders, became a figure of identification for Winston Churchill as Britain tried to avert the threat of an invasion by Nazi Germany. In this seminar we will focus on how medieval historians and romancers create this myth of migration, which provides a sense of a collective cultural identity and comes to serve as a basis for the construction of an English nation.

Forme de l'évaluation:

In-class presentation
Paper of approximately 15 pages (100%, 3 attempts)

Documentation:

Course reader

Pré-requis:

Lecture Introduction to Old and Middle English

Forme de l'enseignement:

Seminar