ISLAMIC ART IN THE TIME OF THE GREAT CALIPHS

Learn about medieval Islamic society through the spectacular art and architecture of the great caliphal courts (650-1250 CE). We will explore imperial mosques, caliphal palaces, aristocratic villas, and the Islamic luxury arts prized throughout the early and medieval Islamic empire. The course includes a visit to the world-class Islamic collections of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C). Note there may be an additional fee for off-campus component.

Previous art history or Islamic history coursework helpful but not required. Course requirements include slide ID quizzes and a research paper or digital humanities project. For examples visit the course site:

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