Text and Materiality

A new course at the Department of Archaeology and Ancient History

This course explores early texts as sources, and the relationship between text and materiality. We address issues like the social function of texts, the dynamics between text and speech, practical approaches to the physical text, the methodology of close reading, texts on objects and the spatiality of text. You will encounter Greek and Latin texts and epigraphy, runic inscriptions, Icelandic sagas, documentary sources, letters, and much more. The goal is to provide you with the tools to interpret and navigate the complexity of our sources to the past.

Course code: ARKN21

Study period: Fall 2020

Eligibility: Students must have passed a BA course, Level 3, in Archaeology, Historical Archaeology, Classical Archaeology and Ancient History, Historical Osteology, History, Latin, Greek, History of Ideas, History of Religion, or the equivalent.

Course-web with syllabus: https://www.ark.lu.se/en/course/ARKN21/

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