



EUH 3930-0001

Italy: From Rome to the Renaissance

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In this class students will be introduced to long period known as the Middle Ages from a specific and unusual angle, the view from Italy. Normally, Italy is at the beginning of this story, with the fall of Rome, and at the end, with the inauguration of the renaissance. But in between are the complex, fascinating centuries that this class will cover. Among many other things, students will learn about the early medieval Lombards, the rise of the popes in Rome, the birth of the Italian city communes, and the origins and rise of great renaissance families like the Medici.