# Spanish

The Literature and Culture of Medieval Iberia





#### What you'll study

The following topics are offered:

- War and the hero
- Representations of women
- Medieval al-Andalus: faith, culture and society
- Wrongdoing and transgression

# Why study The Literature and Culture of Medieval Iberia at St Anne's?

This subject offers a unique insight into the literature and culture of one of the most fascinating and rich periods of Spanish history, following the Islamic invasion of 711 up to the fall of Granada in 1492. Students will explore the varied literary output of the period through topical approaches which will allow for both close examination of primary material and

the chance to study critical approaches to medieval literature and to consider the texts within the fascinating multicultural context of medieval Iberia. Students will have the chance to study some of the earliest examples of Spanish literature so it offers linguistic benefits, as well as an obvious appeal to any students with an interest in history, particularly that of medieval Europe. The subject will introduce you to some key texts, authors and genres, including the world famous Poema de Mio Cid, Spain's signature epic poem. All of the topics listed correspond to the research interests of Dr Hazbun, Associate Professor in Medieval Spanish Literature, and she has published widely on aspects of all of them, including a recent book about the 711 conquest of Spain, Narratives of the Islamic Conquest from Medieval Spain (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015).

## How you'll be taught

• Lectures Typically 1 per week.

• **Tutorials** Typically 4 per term.

#### You can take this course for

The Full Academic Year	Yes
Hilary and Trinity terms only (January – June)	Yes
Michaelmas term only (October – December)	Yes

### You could combine this subject with

Other courses in English or European literature. Students would be expected to combine their studies of the Literature and Culture of Medieval Iberia with another subject.

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