



UE735 – Indo-Persian palaeography and codicology

Presentation:

This **doctoral workshop (atelier des doctorants)** was elaborated as a response to the difficulties we faced in dealing with Indo-Persian manuscripts. It also comes as an answer to a perceived absence in the training of students in the fields of Iranian and South Asian studies in Europe, namely training in palaeographical and codicological skills. As such, workshop aims to develop and perfect our knowledge in these disciplines. It will be hosted by us PhD candidates whose topics may differ but who must all deal with the manuscript sources, in Persian and in South Asian vernaculars written in the Perso-Arabic script.

All those who are interested in participating are welcome, especially if coming from the fields of Iranian, South Asian or Indo-Persian Studies. The only requirement is the proficiency in the Arabic or Perso-Arabic scripts. A knowledge of Persian is advised, though palaeographical students from different fields might find an interest as well.

The workshop is divided in five three-hours long monthly lessons. The first half of each class is devoted to the magisterial presentation of a specific aspect of palaeography and codicology, whilst the second half is practical, and focused on manuscript reading. The topics dealt with during the workshop are varied, and aim at giving as wide a vision of the field as possible, without being exhaustive. The workshop is held in English.

The workshop is held in hybrid format: physically at the **Campus de la Vielle Charité** in Marseille (Salle C) and online via BBB (<https://bbb.ehess.fr/b/raf-1zz-nlj-jqv>).

Link to the Neobab page: <https://enseignements.ehess.fr/2023-2024/ue/735>

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Program:

March 8th, 2024 : « Introduction au séminaire et typologie calligraphique des manuscrits indo-persans » by Victor Baptiste and Raffaello De Leon-Jones Diani

March 29th, 2024 : “Books in the Indo-Persian World” Lingli Li and Victor Baptiste

April 19th, 2024 : “ Colophons and marginalia” by Raffaello De Leon-Jones Diani

May 17th, 2024 : “Mughal documents” by Prof. Chander Shekhar, University of Delhi.

June 7th 2024 : “Vernacular Manuscripts” by Victor Baptiste

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