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Biography

Jeremy Piercy is a cultural and social historian focusing on early European history. Before joining the History Program at UHCL, he was a visiting assistant professor at the College of Charleston and a one-year lecturer of history and heritage at the University of Lincoln (UK). He also taught at the University of Edinburgh while completing his Ph.D. Dr. Piercy has published several articles and a monograph based on his research and teaching.

Dr. Piercy's research investigates the socio-economic development of Early Medieval Europe, most specifically at English economic structures, primarily through the lens of name studies and material culture. His other interests include cultural exchange, the Vikings, numismatics, disease and death in the pre-modern world, medievalism, and historical linguistics. His next project challenges longstanding views on the linguistic development of personal naming patterns in Pre-Conquest England through the examination of witness lists on charters as compared with occupational documentation and familial structures.

Dr. Piercy teaches courses on ancient, medieval, and early-modern Europe and the Mediterranean world. During the summer, he leads the UHCL Education Abroad program in the United Kingdom: English History and Heritage.

Curriculum Vitae

Courses Offered

Fall Semesters:

Undergraduate Courses:

- HIST 2321: World Civilizations I (Online)
- HIST 3307: Medieval Europe

Graduate Courses:

- HIST 5432: Studies in European History (3-Yr Topic Rotation)
 - Medieval People and Society (Fall 2024)
 - The Viking Age (Fall 2025)
 - The Crusades (Fall 2026)

Spring Semesters:

Undergraduate Courses:

- HIST 3301: Ancient World (Online)
- HIST 3309: Europe in Transition 1300 to 1650
- HIST 4302: Medieval Death and Disease (Even-Numbered Years)
- HIST 4306: The Crusades (Odd-Numbered Years)

Summer Sessions:

Undergraduate Courses:

- HIST 4304: Reel Medieval (Online) (Even-Numbered Years)
- HIST 4314: Reel Ancient (Online) (Odd-Numbered Years)

Study Abroad Courses (in the United Kingdom):

Topic: Medieval Britain

- HIST 4301: Studies in European History (Undergraduate)
- HIST 5432: Studies in European History (Graduate)