

PRESIDENTIAL DREAM COURSE, FALL 2017

Exploring Medieval & Renaissance Studies
PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES



Thursday, November 16

**“Engineering the
Eternal City:
Infrastructure,
Topography, and
the Culture of
Knowledge in Late
Sixteenth-Century
Rome ”**

6.30-8.00 pm, Frontier Room
OU Memorial Student Union

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Rome in the late 16th century was a booming construction site, witness to dramatic engineering feats such as transporting 260-ton obelisks, and great urban projects such as widening streets and building bridges. It was also a city plagued by periodic flooding of the Tiber River, and by streets clogged with mire and sewage. This talk discusses how actors ranging from carpenters and engineers to lawyers, doctors, and cardinals decided how to pay for and then solve these problems.



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