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cordially invite you to a public lecture by

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“Sense of Past and Perception of History: Interpreting Renaissance Antiquarianism”

Thursday, 14 September 2017
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Carr Hall 406
100 St. Joseph Street
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Reception to follow.
Everyone is welcome and admission is free.
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The aim of this lecture is to provide a definition for Renaissance antiquarianism as a cultural phenomenon that influenced the way the past was interpreted between the fourteenth and seventeenth centuries. This cultural pathway represented a methodological perspective that involved the cross-referring of heterogeneous sources, strongly linked to people’s perception of time, and that helped to shape a historical consciousness. The presentation will focus on its development throughout these centuries and on an explanation of its methodology.

Damiano Acciarino obtained his PhD at Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia in 2015 with a thesis on Renaissance antiquarianism. He worked as a tutor for the Department of Humanities at Ca’ Foscari University, as a researcher for CISVe – Centro Interuniversitario di Studi Veneti, and as a professor of Italian within MaBAC – Management dei Beni e delle Attività Culturali. He has held a wide range of leadership positions, including President of the Doctoral Chamber. At the moment, he holds a Marie Curie Global Fellowship at Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia and at the University of Toronto. Dr Acciarino has published a monograph as well as several articles on Renaissance antiquarianism in various international academic journals.