

PRESIDENTIAL DREAM COURSE, FALL 2017

## *Exploring Medieval & Renaissance Studies*

### PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES



Thursday, September 21

## “Plague, Ecology, and Empire: Rethinking the Black Death Pandemic”

6.30-8.00 pm, Regents Room  
OU Memorial Student Union

**Dr. Nühket Varlik**

**History Department, Rutgers University Newark**

The Black Death pandemic of the mid-14<sup>th</sup> century spread across the Eurasian world, killing 30-50% of the population and initiating major social, demographic, and economic changes. This talk will explore the importance of the climate, animals, and disease ecologies of the wider Mediterranean world.



**All lectures are free and open to the public.**

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