Undergraduate Research Opportunity

**PROJECT**

**Slavery and Captivity in the Medieval World:**

**Pedagogical Approaches**

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Dr. Hannah Barker is developing a publicly available website (www.medievalslavery.org) with resources for professors who want to teach a unit or an entire course on slavery in the medieval world, students doing research projects on slavery in the medieval world, and members of the public who want to learn about slavery in the medieval world. It includes a collection of primary sources which have never before been translated into English and a selected bibliography for further reading.

**STUDENT**

Research assistant's duties:
Working together, we will choose an image or a text that portrays slavery in the medieval world. If it is a text, you will translate it into English. If it is an image, you will read about its creation and historical background. Then you will write a brief introduction to place your source in historical context and prepare it to be posted on the website.

Required skills or qualifications:
Desired qualifications include interest in medieval history and/or history of slavery; intermediate-level competence or better in Latin or German OR experience working with artistic images as historical sources.

Skills student will acquire:
Knowledge about medieval slavery in comparative perspective; academic translation; or art historical analysis.