



University  
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Ancient Civilizations



# **Intersectionality in Ancient and Pre-Modern Contexts.**

## **Considering Aspects of Privilege and Marginalisation**

International conference in Basel  
11-12 June 2026

# Program

Thursday, 11 June 2026

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<b>08:45</b>	<b>Arrival</b>
<b>09:00</b>	<b>Welcome and introduction</b>

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## Keynotes on Intersectional Approaches

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<b>09:20</b>	<b>Intersectionality: A Critical Approach to Understand Power Across Time?</b> Dr. Claudia Wilopo (University of Bern)
<b>10:20</b>	<b>Response organisers</b>
<b>10:30</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>10:55</b>	<b>Intersectionality as Analysis of Power: On Archives, Absence, and Historiography</b> Dr. des. Jovita dos Santos Pinto (University of Lucerne)
<b>11:55</b>	<b>Response organisers</b>
<b>12:05</b>	<b>General discussion</b>
<b>12:30</b>	<i>Lunch break</i>

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## Panel 1 “Epistemology, Visibility and Justice”

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13:30	<b>Intersectionality Meets Antiquity: Some Epistemological Thoughts</b> Prof. Dr. Kordula Schnegg (Innsbruck University)
14:00	<b>Poverty and Power in Ancient Roman Cityscapes: Towards an Intersectional Reading of Urban Spaces</b> Sarah Siegenthaler MA (University of Basel)
14:30	<b>Access to Justice and Social Margins in the Roman World</b> Dr. Vid Žepič (University of Ljubljana)
15:00	<b>General discussion</b>
15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>

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## Panel 2 “Gender, Race, and Power”

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| 16:00 | <b>Intersections of Oppression: An Ecofeminist Reading of Vergil’s <i>Eclogue 3</i></b><br>Dr. Tori Lee (Boston University)  |
| 16:30 | <b>An Intersectional, Black Feminist Analysis of Lucan’s <i>Erictho</i>: Liminality, Abjection, and Metapoetic Power in <i>Bellum Civile 6</i></b><br>Antonia Aluko MA (University College London) |
| 17:00 | <b>Women Writing to Women: Intersectionality in Private Letters from Roman Egypt</b><br>Irene Chioni MA (Ghent University)   |
| 17:30 | <b>General discussion</b>  |
| 19:00 | <i>Conference dinner</i>   |
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# Program

Friday, 12 June 2026

## Panel 3 “Politics, Hierarchies and Social Structures”

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08:45            **Arrival and welcome**

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09:00            **Intersecting Hierarchies in Death: Kinship, Age, and Status in the Highlands of Middle and Neo-Elamite Lahsavareh Cemetery in Iran**  
Mahsa Najafi MA (Independent Researcher)

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09:30            **Non-Combatants in Ancient Egyptian Warfare: An Intersectional Approach**  
Dr. Uroš Matić (University of Graz)

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10:00            *Coffee break*

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10:30            **Constructing the Civic Body: Propaganda, Identity, and Marginalisation in Fifth-Century Athens**  
Michelle Musolino MA (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)

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11:00            **Meetings at Intersections? Intersectionality as an Analytical Tool for Understanding Ancient Associations and *polis* Society**  
Maria Janosch MA (Julius-Maximilians-University Würzburg)

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11:30            **General discussion**

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12:00            *Lunch break*

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## Panel 4 “Status, Identity, and Pedagogy”

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<b>13:00</b>	<b>The Identities of Enslaved Persons as Expressed on Dedicatory Inscriptions in Roman Samnium, Picenum, Umbria, and Etruria (<i>Regiones IV, V, VI, and VII</i>)</b> Ethan Bragg Rummel MA (University of Crete)
<b>13:30</b>	<b>At the Intersection of Gender, Social Status and Prestige: The Case of the Imperial Freedwomen in Ancient Roman Society</b> Dr. Davide Trivellato (University of Crete)
<b>14:00</b>	<b>Intersectionality as a Paradigm for a Renewed Medievalist Didactics</b> Dr. Julian Happes (Pädagogische Hochschule Freiburg)
<b>14:30</b>	<b>General discussion</b>
<b>15:00</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>15:30</b>	<b>Final discussion</b>

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# Organisation

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**Registration:** If you plan to have lunch at the conference, please contact [gwenda.bolliger@unibas.ch](mailto:gwenda.bolliger@unibas.ch) until 7.6.2026 (otherwise the Caterer will not be able to provide enough food). Otherwise, spontaneous guests are very welcome: The conference is open to the public.

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