

# XX LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS OF MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY

# Artificial Intelligence and the Middle Ages

# **Circular No. 1**

Congress Venue:	Universidad Nacional Abierta y a Distancia - UNAD (Colombia).
Organizers:	School of Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities - ECSAH, Philosophy Program and the Latin American Network of Medieval Philosophy.
Dates:	August 13 to 15, 2025.
Schedule:	8 am. to 12 m. and 2 pm. to 6 pm. official Colombian time.
Mode:	Virtual

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## Fundamentals:

The XX Latin American Congress of Medieval Philosophy - Artificial Intelligence and the Middle Ages continues the very rich medievalist tradition of the Latin American Network of Medieval Philosophy and of the nineteen previous congresses, held throughout Latin America and which have generated not only the tradition but, also, the generation of knowledge in medieval philosophy.

Over the years, the congresses and inter-congress events have addressed pressing problems of medieval philosophy and have created a scriptural tradition that has greatly enriched medievalism worldwide. Now, the XX Congress wants to address the issue of Artificial Intelligence with all its conceptual and ethical implications, but also with the roots it has in the Middle Ages, a period in which topics related to linguistic models, intelligence models and logic with its various nuances were already addressed, but without forgetting the topics that have traditionally been worked on in previous congresses. In this way, the aim is to contribute to the continuous growth of Latin American medievalism.

UNAD, with a long tradition in the training of philosophers and philosophy graduates wants to contribute its robust technological platform and the knowledge of the Philosophy program itself to achieve the goals and objectives of the XX Congress and the strong relationship it has been cultivating with the Latin American Network of Medieval Philosophy and the visibility of Colombia in Latin American and world medievalism.

## **Objectives of the Congress:**

## General objective:

To make visible the medieval philosophical dialogue in Latin America through the socialization of papers that allow the strengthening of medievalism and networking.

#### Specific objectives:

Facilitate the exchange of opinions, experiences and research related to medieval philosophy and American scholasticism among teachers, researchers and students.

To contribute to the reflection on the main challenges facing medieval philosophy from Artificial Intelligence.

Strengthen the Latin American Network of Medieval Philosophy through academic and cultural activities.

#### Official languages:

The documentation of the Congress will be bilingual (Spanish and Portuguese), but papers in Spanish, English, French, Portuguese, Italian and Latin will be accepted.

#### Thematic axes:

#### Thematic Axis No. 1 Medieval Philosophy and Artificial Intelligence:

Linguistic models - Models of intelligence - Medieval logics -Separate intelligences - The artificial and the natural in the Middle Ages - Machines and artifice in the Middle Ages - Limitations of the thekne in the Middle Ages - Medieval computational traditions -Application of AI in the study of the Middle Ages.

#### Thematic axis No. 2 American Scholasticism:

Scholastic philosophy: repetition and originality - Great themes of scholastic philosophy - Scholasticism and the American insurgency - Philosophical heterodoxy in American scholasticism - Medieval repercussions in Ibero-America and American Scholasticism -Second Scholasticism.

#### Thematic axis No. 3 Pedagogy and language in medieval philosophy:

Research and teaching of medieval philosophy - Philosophy of language and medieval hermeneutics - Teaching philosophy in institutions at various educational levels - Medieval philosophy in the classrooms of universities in America.

#### Thematic axis No. 4 Medieval aesthetics and its repercussions:

Medieval philosophical reflection on art and its aesthetic categories - Colonial American aesthetics - Relations with more current themes in aesthetics, especially aesthetic syncretism.

#### Thematic axis No. 5 Other medieval philosophies:

Late Antique, Patristic and Matristic philosophy - Early medieval thinkers - Latin Scholasticism - Arab and Jewish philosophy - Byzantine philosophy - Renaissance philosophy.

#### Thematic axis No. 6 Philosophical disciplines:

Metaphysics, ethics, theology, philosophical anthropology, etc. -Ethical and political philosophy in the Middle Ages - Scholastics and monastics - The Renaissance - Translation in the Middle Ages and translation of medieval authors.

#### Papers:

Congress institutional mail:	xxcongresomedieval@gmail.com
Congress microsite:	https://eventos.unad.edu.co/repositorio-de-eventos/xx- congreso-latinoamericano-de-filosofia-medieval
RLFM website:	www.redlafm.org
Mediaevalia site:	www.mediaevaliamericana.org
UNAD website:	www.unad.edu.co
Registration for speakers:	https://forms.gle/Az2f1Ed3DSfuHRwY8
Registration for listeners:	https://forms.gle/xRm5LgxBe7rh9VRK7

#### **Deadlines and conditions:**

Abstracts and Table Proposals: May 30, 2025 (250 words, in the official format attached to the registration).

Paper Proposal Format

Papers:Develop one of the thematic axes of the Congress<br/>(Medieval Philosophy and Artificial Intelligence,<br/>American Scholasticism, Pedagogy and language in<br/>medieval philosophy, Medieval aesthetics and its<br/>repercussions, Other medieval philosophies,<br/>Philosophical disciplines).

The final paper will have a maximum length of 3500 words (references are not counted).

Approved papers will be received until June 30, 2025 in the official format and according to the RLFM rules, which are available in the RLFM journal on this site: www.mediaevaliamericana.org

Paper Format

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