

Special Issue

Interactions Across Borders in Historical Contexts: Interdisciplinary Approaches

Message from the Guest Editors

Privileging multi- and interdisciplinary analyses, this Special Issue aims to gather studies on border interactions and crossings as key processes in the formation of territorial, social, and cultural boundaries—including those related to collective identities and disciplines—across diverse historical contexts, from Antiquity to the present, within and beyond Europe. While English distinguishes between ‘frontiers’, ‘borders’, and ‘boundaries’, other linguistic and cultural contexts, such as the Iberian world, use a single term (e.g., *frontera*, in Spanish or *fronteira* in Portuguese). Embracing a broader understanding of these concepts, we particularly welcome essays that explore how borders are made, reinforced, transgressed, or relaxed within the cultures and societies that create them. Equally, we invite contributions that highlight the complexity of borders, underscoring that they are neither simple nor clear-cut demarcations but rather complex constructions that can be fully understood only through the integration of multiple approaches and disciplines.

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