

Special Issue

Religion and Culture in Medieval Society: Intersections and Influences

Message from the Guest Editor

This study proposes to examine the intersection of religious institutions and cultural practices in medieval Europe (500–1500 CE) through the analytical frameworks of history, sociology, anthropology, and social psychology. The research will investigate how religious systems shaped and were shaped by social structures, power relations, and everyday cultural practices.

The study will employ multiple perspectives:

1. Structural Functionalism
2. Social Stratification Theory
3. Cultural Anthropology

The research questions are as follows:

1. How did religious institutions function as mechanisms of social control and cultural reproduction in medieval society?
2. What was the relationship between religious authorities and social stratification?
3. How did local cultural practices interact with institutional religious doctrine?
4. What role did religious ritual play in maintaining social order and community cohesion?

The study will employ mixed methods:

1. Historical Analysis
2. Comparative Analysis
3. Social Network Analysis

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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