

The NEH Summer Seminar, "Identity and Self-Representation in the Subcultures of Ancient Rome," continues a series of NEH Summer Seminars offered by the American Academy in Rome on topics related to Classical Studies, Archaeology, and the Humanities (History, Art History, Anthropology, etc.). The seminar will focus on the ever-controversial matter of personal identity by considering ways in which Roman citizens throughout the Mediterranean world used word and image to represent themselves both as individuals and as members of communities. In addition to each week's thematically organized seminar discussions, a series of Roman museum visits and field trips to sites beyond the city should expand each participant's resources for study and teaching in areas of class, gender and ethnicity. We believe that our participants may be surprised to encounter the social diversity of the subcultures encompassed within the general heading of Roman culture.