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To All Interested Academics:

The Scholasticum is an academic initiative of scholars who want to promote the authentic historical, theological and philosophic appreciation of High Scholasticism, as it existed at the University of Paris in the 13th century. We are dedicated to reviving the study of the Sentences of Master Peter Lombard according to the methods of Saints Thomas Aquinas and Bonaventure of Bagnoregio.

Our Ratio Studiorum is based on a three-fold study of Theology according to the Sentences' commentaries, Medieval Philosophy, and Medieval Biblical Studies, with associated courses on Medieval History and Latin.

We were founded in 2016 by a mutual effort of academics on Academia.edu at Bagnoregio, Italy as a non profit. We have so far offered courses in Latin and the Commentarium of St. Bonaventure of the First Book of Peter Lombard.

In the past we have offered courses telematically, and intend to continue on this basis.

For that reason, as we prepare for the 2025-2026 Academic Year, I want to solicit the interest of Academics to consider joining our faculty to spread the knowledge and appreciation of Scholasticism to a new generation of students who do not have access to the highly specialized academic environments available only in certain parts of the world.

As a telematic institute, our courses are pre-recorded or live, as the Instructor in each choses. They are recorded on cellphones or PCs and then uploaded to our platform, where our students, with coded access can watch them at the time of day they choose. This approach enables our Institute to draw on the expertise of Scholars the world-over and offer highly specialized courses of instruction to students round the world. Our Administration handles all the technical aspects of publishing the courses and controlling access to them. Instructors only need to know how to use a cellphone or computer to make a personal video and upload it to the web.

To make our offering as appealing as possible and to advance the goals of our institute, we are seeking Academics who can teach one or more of the courses described in our 2016/2017 Annuario, which can be found at our website:

https://www.studium-scholasticum.org/registrar/

Our instructors are remunerated for each course they teach in proportion to both the credit value of the course and the number of students.

As a potential instructor, we ask you to look at our Ratio Studiorum and craft a course offering of your own, within the limits of your professional and academic expertise (see the previous course offering descriptions in our Annuario for an exemplar). We expect each instructor to choose at least one text-book or primary reading source for his course as well as recommend several others of the highest academic value on the topic which are available in print as secondary reading. We expect our students to read at least 15 pages per credit hour per week, and would ask our instructors to assign readings each week.

Our Fall 2025 Semester will be from the First Week of October to the end of the First Week in February, and comprise 15 weeks, with a 2 week break for Christmas. Courses which meet for 1 hour and require 1 additional hour of study for each student will be reckoned as 2 credit courses. – Our Spring 2026 Semester will run from the Third Week of February 2026 to the end of the Second Week in June, with one week break for Easter.

We will invite students to take no more than 30 credit hours of classes per semester, as they pursue a certification from our Institute in one of three specialities: Scholastic Theology, Scholastic Philosophy, and Medieval Biblical Studies. A potential instructor can plan to offer his course either in the Fall of 2025 or in the Spring of 2026.

Once our new team of faculty members is constituted we will be republishing our Annuario in a 2025/2026 edition. Our Students will be required to register no later than mid September 2025.

If you would be interested in teaching a course at The Scholasticum, please contact me for more information, no later than the beginning of May, 2025.

Thank you,

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