**Rabinos, Jesuítas e o Reino de Deus 2**

**Objetivos**

The purpose of the seminar is to set the ground for a comparative study of two historical phenomena – the evangelization of colonial Brazil and the rabbinization of Jewish communities in Europe during the Middle Ages. The will to compare comes from the following observation: both the rabbis and the Jesuits carry a project to secure God’s kingdom in the world. This semester we will focus on the Jesuits in Brazil and how they functioned as agents of the biblical myth, responsible for its inscription in human reality. We will focus on their objectives in the first two decades of their mission (1549-1568), as they were formulated in the writings of Manuel de Nóbrega and José de Anchieta.

**Justificativa**

Through an analysis of the concept of “conversion” and how it manifests itself in the writings of Nóbrega and Anchieta, we will develop our perspective on the Jesuits as agents of the biblical myth of the “Kingdom of God”. We will see how this perspective exposes the political content that shaped the myth. In fact, the activity of the Jesuits in colonial Brazil is somewhat reminiscent of the activity of the Jewish priests and scribes in Jerusalem of the fifth century BCE, who established the myth of the “Kingdom of God”. By putting the Jesuits on the same historical continuum as those Jewish priests and scribes, we hope to enrich our knowledge about the biblical myth and its force to shape social and political realities.

**Contéudo**

1: Introduction

2: The notion of conversion in Judaism and Christianity

3: The notion of conversion in the letters of Manuel de Nóbrega 1549-1556

4-5: Manuel de Nóbrega – Diálogo sobre a conversão do Gentio

6-7: José de Anchieta – Pregação Universal

8: José de Anchieta – Auto de São Lourenço

9: José de Anchieta – Na aldeia de Guaraparim

10-11: José de Anchieta – A conversão de São Paulo (sermão)

12: Conclusion

**Forma de Avaliação:**

1. A paper to be submitted 30 days after the last meeting.
2. An oral presentation

**Bibliographia**

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Loyola, Ignatius, Spiritual Exercises.

Books of Ezra and Nehemiah from the Old Testament

**Idiomas ministrados:**

Inglês