RESEARCH DOCTORATE
IN PHILOLOGICAL-LITERARY, HISTORICAL-PHILOSOPHICAL AND ARTISTIC SCIENCES

DISCIPLINARY LABORATORY

TITLE: La dimensione sociale dell’immaginazione / The social dimension of imagination
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CFU: 1
SHORT DESCRIPTION:

Imagination plays a central role in various aspects of our life where we apply forms of counter-factual reasoning, from the sciences, to cultural activities, the arts, and everyday life. It should, thus, not come as a surprise that imagination can come in very different forms; “imagination” is an umbrella-term that refers to a great variety of phenomena. In this laboratory we will explore imagination not as a subjective, private mental phenomenon, but as a social practice. The forms of imagination that we will focus on are shared activities that require a collaboration of individuals that is guided by rules. We will focus in particular at the role of imagination in the sciences (in particular at thought experiments), in works of literary fiction and the arts.

CALENDAR:

February 26 and March 5 2021, 14:00-17:00 (online / aula Frege)

SUGGESTED READINGS (if any):

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