

# Kütahya Ceramics and Museology Seminar

## September 23, 2023

Suna and İnan Kıraç Foundation Pera Museum presents the Kütahya Ceramics and Museology Seminar for undergraduate and graduate students, featuring selections from the museum's own Kütahya Tiles and Ceramics Collection. Bringing together museology, art history, and cultural history, this interdisciplinary seminar delves into the ceramics produced in Kütahya, the most significant hub of ceramic production after Iznik during the Ottoman era. The goal of the seminar is to offer a fresh perspective on Kütahya ceramics to young researchers.

The full-day program consists of the seminar and workshop sessions, and the first segment focuses on Kütahya ceramics. This segment explores the artistic evolution of Kütahya ceramics from the 18<sup>th</sup> century to today, as well as their significance within the Ottoman culture. The second segment of the program involves practical sessions. Participants look into a selection of ceramics through case studies and workshops as part of basic museology training. They learn more about the documentation, conservation, and collection of works of art by museums, management of collections, exhibitions, and museum learning workshops in the context of Kütahya ceramics.

The Kütahya Ceramics and Museology Seminar will be held physically at the Istanbul Research Institute. Program language is Turkish. Attendance to the program is free; however, students traveling from outside the city must cover their own accommodation and transportation expenses.

### Yavuz Selim Güler (Seminar and Workshop Facilitator)

Yavuz Selim Güler completed his undergraduate and graduate studies in the Department of Archaeology and Art History at Koç University. Between 2018 and 2020, he served as a teaching assistant for Ancient Greek, Latin, and Ancient History courses at Koç University. After working in the field of museum education for a period of time, he joined Suna and İnan Kıraç Foundation Pera Museum in 2021, and has been the Curator of the Anatolian Weights and Measures Collection as well as the Kütahya Tiles and Ceramics Collection since then. Güler is also leading the Pera Museum projects "Corpus Ponderum Antiquorum et Islamicorum: Ottoman Weights" and "Epigraphy of Weights." His research interests encompass Anatolian weights and measures from the Bronze Age to the Ottoman Period, as well as 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> century Kütahya tiles and ceramics.

### **Application Conditions**

The seminar is open to undergraduate and graduate students specializing in studying archeology, art history, history, fine arts, and museology.

### Application

Program applicants must send their one-page curriculum vitae and intention letters of no more than 100 words to info@peramuzesi.org.tr by September 15, 2023, Friday, at the latest. The subject line of the email should read **"Kütahya**"



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#### Certification

All students who successfully complete the program will receive a certificate of participation.

PROGRAM	September 23, 2023 (Saturday)
10.00-10.15	Meet & Greet
10.15-11.15	Kütahya Ceramics in the 18 <sup>th</sup> Century (Seminar)
11.15-11.30	Break
11.30-12.15	Kütahya Ceramics in Late Ottoman and Republican Eras (Seminar)
12.15-13.00	Coffee Break (Exhibition Tour)
13.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.30	Private Museum and Collection Management (Seminar + Workshop)
15.30-15.45	Break
15.45-17.15	Exhibition Design (Seminar + Workshop)
17.15-17.30	Break
17.30-18.30	Museum Learning (Workshop)