

A Research of Historical Documents related to the Early-Fourteenth Century English Court

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My overseas research concerns the reign of King Edward II (1284-1327) and his court in England. The depictions of the relationships of the King first with his wife, Queen Isabella, and second with his favourites in political discourse are considered from a gender and sexuality studies perspective. The association between the treatment of these depictions and the normative and dominant culture of heterosexuality at that time is explored. This analysis provides new insights into the political culture of the time. I visited the Bodleian Library in Oxford and The National Archives in London to collect manuscript sources such as royal charters and printed sources such as calendars and transcripts.