



THE GEORGE FELDENKREIS
PROGRAM IN JUDAIC STUDIES
College of Arts and Sciences

Judaic Studies Program

Fall 2020 Course Booklet



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Why Major in Judaic Studies?

Intellectual Sophistication

As a program and a major/minor that encourages interdisciplinary teaching and research, Judaic Studies courses are taught by scholars working at the cutting edge of their fields.

Academic Flexibility

The interdisciplinary nature of Judaic Studies means that you are encouraged to take courses in a diverse range of departments and disciplines, such as English, Political Science, History, Religious Studies, International Studies, and Geography. By specializing in Judaic Studies, you retain the opportunity to continue to explore different fields even as you advance toward your degree.

Individual Attention

Judaic Studies courses are typically small in size so you can be sure of receiving personal attention from your professors. Academic advising is done by the Director of the Program, Dr. Haim Shaked, who meets individually with all Judaic Studies majors and minors and is always available by appointment at 305-284-6882 or email: hshaked@miami.edu.

Study Abroad

The JUS Program is working to develop summer Study Abroad options as well as semester-long Study Abroad programs, in Israel and in several European countries.

THE PROGRAM

The George Feldenkreis Program in Judaic Studies is a broad, flexible, interdisciplinary program designed for undergraduates to gain an understanding of Jewish civilization and its diverse cultural experiences. The program, which is non-theological in orientation, is an academic exploration of the multi-faceted, socio-historical, 4,000-year record of the Jewish people. Courses taught and combined with the program courses highlight the variety of cultural, political, social, and religious experiences of Jews in different times and places.

The program is structured to provide an in-depth liberal arts education that will constitute a foundation for advanced academic study, professional careers in a variety of fields, and a more complex and rich understanding of the world. Judaic Studies courses meet distribution requirements for Humanities and Social Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Engineering, the School of Communication, the School of Business, and the Frost School of Music.

Courses Counting toward the Judaic Studies Major and Minor

English

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| ENG 205 | Jewish Literature (M) |
| ENG 363 | Jewish American Literature (M) |
| ENG 365 | Literature of the Holocaust (M) |
| ENG 384 | Bible as Literature (A) |

Geography

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| GEG 382 | Geography of the Middle East (M) |
| GEG 385 | Jewish Geography (M) |

History

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| HIS 282 | History of Zionism (M) <i>combined w/ INS 324 and JUS 324</i> |
| HIS 284 | History of World War II |
| HIS 338 | Holocaust in Historical Perspective (M) <i>combined w/ GER 370 and JUS 338</i> |
| HIS 340 | <i>History of Modern Germany since 1815 (M) combined w/ JUS 340</i> |
| HIS 341 | History of Nazi Germany (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 341</i> |
| HIS 544 | European Anti-Semitism from Bismarck to Hitler - 1870-1939 (M) or Weimar and Hitler's Rise (M) or German History (1914-1945) through Novels, Diaries, and Autobiographies (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 401 and INS510</i> |

International Studies

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| INS 324 | History of Zionism (M) <i>combined w/ HIS 282 and JUS 324</i> |
| INS 325 | Israel: The Making of a State (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 325 and HIS 337</i> |
| INS 352 | Panoramic View of the Middle East (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 352</i> |

Judaic Studies

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| JUS 231 | Jewish Civilization (M) <i>combined w/ REL 231</i> |
| JUS 234 | Jerusalem in the Time of Jesus |
| JUS 250 | The Holocaust Through Film, Memoir, and Testimony |
| JUS 300 | Jewish Peoplehood :The Jews: Paradigm Shift (M) |
| JUS 301 | Theater and the Holocaust (M) Combined with THA 301 |
| JUS 301 | Jerusalem: The Politics of Holiness <i>combined w/ INS 310/ POL 389/ REL 405</i> |
| JUS 301 | Intro to the Old Testament/Hebrew Scripture <i>combined w/ REL 111</i> |
| JUS 301 | Political Geography of the Middle East <i>combined w/ GEG 382</i> |
| JUS 301 | Sacred Spaces |
| JUS 301 | Yiddish Theatre <i>combined w/ THA 300</i> |
| JUS 301 | Human Rights, Religion, and the Experience of Exile <i>combined w/ REL 409</i> |
| JUS 314 | The Rise of Judaism |
| JUS 324 | History of Zionism (M) <i>combined w/ HIS 282 and INS 324</i> |

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| JUS 325 | Israel: The Making of a State <i>combined w/ INS 325/ HIS 337</i> |
| JUS 338 | History of the Holocaust (M) <i>combined w/ GER 370/ HIS 338</i> |
| JUS 340 | History of Modern Germany Since 1815 |
| JUS 352 | Panoramic View of the Middle East (M) <i>combined w/ INS 352</i> |
| JUS 360 | Hollywood and Popular Culture: The American Jewish Experience (M) <i>combined w/ REL 334</i> |
| JUS 365 | Literature of the Holocaust (M) <i>combined w/ ENG 365</i> |
| JUS 375 | Religion & Democracy in Israel (M) <i>combined w/ REL 375</i> |
| JUS 380 | Holy Bones, Sacred Stones: Archaeology of Early Judaism (A) <i>combined w/ REL 380</i> |
| JUS 401 | Studies in Judaica/Special Topics (A/M) |
| JUS 410 | Special Topics |
| JUS 411 | Special Topics |
| JUS 421 | Internship in Judaic Studies |
| JUS 498 | Senior Thesis (A/M) |
| JUS 499 | Senior Thesis (A/M) |

Modern Languages

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| HEB 101 | Elementary Hebrew I (Fall) |
| HEB 102 | Elementary Hebrew II (Spring) |
| HEB 201 | Intermediate Hebrew I (Fall) |
| HEB 202 | Intermediate Hebrew II (Spring) |
| GER 310 | German Studies: Nazi Cinema: Hitler at the Movies |
| GER 370 | The Holocaust in History, Film, and Memorial Culture |

Political Science

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| POL 348 | United States Relations with the Middle East (M) |
| POL 387 | Politics of the Middle East (M) |
| POL 388 | Politics of Israel (M) |
| POL 586 | Conflict in the Middle East and Africa (M) |
| POL 593 | International Relations of the Middle East (M) |

Religious Studies

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| REL 103 | One God: Judaism, Christianity and Islam (A) |
| REL 111 | Intro to the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) (A) |
| REL 231 | Jewish Civilization (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 231</i> |
| REL 234 | Jerusalem in the Time of Jesus <i>combined w/ JUS 234</i> |
| REL 311 | Prophetic Literature in the Hebrew Bible (A) |
| REL 312 | Torah and Ancient Law (A) |
| REL 314 | The Rise of Judaism |
| REL 324 | The Bible and Modern Film (A/M) |
| REL 334 | Hollywood and Popular Culture: The American Jewish Experience (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 360</i> |
| REL 375 | Religion and Democracy in Israel (M) <i>combined w/ JUS 375</i> |
| REL 380 | Holy Bones, Sacred Stones: Archaeology of Early Judaism (A) <i>combined w/ JUS 380</i> |
| REL 406 | Sacred Spaces <i>combined w/ JUS 301</i> |
| REL 409 | Human Rights, Religion, and the Experience of Exile (M) |

- REL 505 Rome and Its Friendly Kings: Judea and Nabataea
(A) Combined w/ CLA 505 and MALS 611 2U
REL 510 Seminars in Hebrew Bible & Ancient Judaism (A)

Theatre Arts

- THA 300 Yiddish Theatre (M)
THA 301 Theater and the Holocaust (M), combined w/ JUS 301

Offered in Prague as part of UPrague

- JUS 401 Studies in Judaica: Jewish History in Central and
Eastern Europe (M)

Legend

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| A | Fulfills "Ancient" requirement |
| M | Fulfills "Modern" requirement |
| A/M | Depends on Topic |
| F | Fall Session |
| S | Spring Session |

Judaic Studies Program: Cognates

- **Cognate 1 - Holocaust Studies - Study Aspects of the Holocaust (PS_0060)**

Complete three courses from the list below

- HIS 337/INS 311/JUS 301 History of Zionism and the Emergence of Israel
- HIS 338/JUS 338 History of the Holocaust
- HIS 544 European anti-Semitism
- HIS 544 Weimar and Hitler's Rise
- GER 310 Nazi-Cinema: Hitler at the Movies (German texts in Translation)
- GER 370 The Holocaust in History, Film, and Memorial Culture
- ENG 365 Literature of the Holocaust

- **Cognate 2 - Israel Studies – Studies of Modern Day Israel (PS_0062)**

Complete three courses from the list below

- INS 325/JUS 325 Israel: The Making of a State
- INS 352/JUS 352 A Panoramic View of the Middle East
- REL 375/JUS 375 Religion and Democracy in Israel
- POL 348 US Relations with the Middle East
- POL 387 Politics of the Middle East
- POL 388 Politics of Israel
- POL 586 Conflict in the Middle East and Africa
- POL 593 International Relations of the Middle East
- JUS 301/INS 311/HIS 337 History of Zionism and the Emergence of Israel
- GEG 282 Economic and Political Geography of the Middle East

- **Cognate 3 - Jewish Peoplehood - The Evolution of the Jewish People in their Homeland and the Diaspora (PS_0072)**

Complete at least one course in each of 3 of the following 4 option groups:

Option Group: History:

- HIS 337/INS 311/JUS 301 History of Zionism and the Emergence of Israel
- HIS 544 European anti-Semitism
- HIS 544 Weimar and Hitler's Rise
- GER 370/HIS 338 The Holocaust in History, Film, & Memorial Culture

Option Group: Homeland and Diaspora:

- GEG 385 Jewish Geography
- POL 388 Politics of Israel
- INS 325/JUS 325 Israel: The Making of a State
- INS 352/JUS 352 Panoramic View of the Middle East
- JUS 375/REL 375 Religion and Democracy in Israel

Option Group: Language and Literature

- HEB 101 Elementary Hebrew I
- HEB 102 Elementary Hebrew II
- HEB 201 Intermediate Hebrew I
- HEB 202 Intermediate Hebrew II

- ENG 205 Survey of Jewish Literature
- ENG 365 Holocaust Literature
- ENG 384 The Bible as Literature
- THA 301 Yiddish Theatre

Option Group: Culture and Religion

- REL 305 Religion and Culture in the Ancient Near East
- REL 231 Jewish Civilization
- REL 103 One God: Judaism, Christianity and Islam
- REL 111 Introduction to the Hebrew Bible
- JUS 360/REL 334 Hollywood and Popular Culture

• **Cognate 4 – Judaism, Christianity, Islam**

(AT_0103) *Religious Studies is the RAU for this cognate

Complete at most one course in each of 3 of the following 4 option groups:

Option Group: Judaism:

- REL 111 Introduction to the Old Testament / Hebrew Scriptures
- REL 231 Jewish Civilization and Being Jewish
- REL 234 Jerusalem in the Time of Jesus: An Archaeological Odyssey
- REL 311 Prophecy and Prophetic Literature in the Hebrew Bible
- REL 312 The Torah and Ancient Law
- REL 314 The Rise of Judaism
- REL 375 Democracy and Religion in Israel and Palestine

Option Group: Christianity:

- REL 121 Introduction to the New Testament
- REL 131 Religion in America
- REL 232 A Global History of Christianity
- REL 322 The Apostle Paul: Letters, Controversies, and Philosophy
- REL 324 The Bible and Modern Film
- REL 325 Jesus in Myth and History
- REL 335 American Religion in Modern Film
- REL 343 Saints and Sinners: Introduction to Catholicism
- REL 347 Experiencing Religion: Conversion
- REL 348 Reformation Europe
- REL 380 Holy Bones, Sacred Stones: Archaeology of Early Judaism

Option Group: Islam

- ARH 260 Islamic Art
- REL 271 Introduction to Islam
- REL 307 Religion and Culture Pre-Islamic Arabia
- REL 331 Religions of Asia
- REL 370 Islam in the Modern World
- REL 371 Women, Gender, and Islam
- REL 372 Islam and the United States: The Politics of Race, Media, and Terrorism

Option Group: Monotheism

- REL 103 One God: Judaism, Christianity, Islam

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THE JUDAIC STUDIES MAJOR (30 Credits; 10 Courses)

- JUS 231 (Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture, and Religion).
- Any course in Jewish or Israeli Literature offered by the English Department.
- A course in Hebrew at the 200-level or higher (which can be used simultaneously to fulfill the College of Arts and Sciences Language requirement).
- One course in Ancient Jewish History and Society and one course in Modern Jewish History and Society. Courses will be designated appropriately by the Program Director each semester.
- 15 more credits (5 courses) in classes listed in the Judaic Studies Degree Audit or combined sections approved for JUS credit, 9 credits of which must be completed at the 300-level or higher. Students who complete HEB 201 need only complete 6 credits at the 300-level or higher.

Honors in Judaic Studies consist of the above plus an Honors Thesis and one additional elective at the 300 level or higher.

A grade of "C-" or better must be attained in each course taken for the major with an overall GPA of 2.0.

THE JUDAIC STUDIES MINOR (15 Credits; 5 Courses)

Judaic Studies Minor (regular concentration):

- One or more of the following 3 courses:
 - JUS 231 (Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture, and Religion)
 - Any course in Jewish Literature offered by the English Department.
 - GEG 385 (Jewish Geography)
- Up to four courses in ancient/modern Jewish History, Society, Culture and Religion (to be designated as “ancient” or “modern” and published by the JUS Program Director each semester). Students are strongly encouraged to take at least one course in the “ancient,” and at least one course in the “modern” categories.
- Students are strongly encouraged to take HEB 101 as one of the above four courses.

Judaic Studies Minor (Hebrew Language Concentration):

- One or more of the following 3 courses:
 - JUS 231 (Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture, and Religion)
 - Any course in Jewish Literature offered by the English Department.
 - GEG 385 (Jewish Geography)
- At least two of the HEB 101, 102, 201 or 202 courses,
- Actually taken at UM or via transfer of HEB credits.

- Any additional JUS course(s), or course(s) combined with
- JUS, that are needed to complete a total of 15 JUS credits.

- Native Hebrew speakers require the advance approval of the JUS Undergraduate Advisor before they enroll in this concentration.
- Completing the JUS Minor with Hebrew Language Concentration, including HEB 201 and/or 202 will be counted as fulfilling the requirement of a foreign language.

General comments:

- A grade of “C-” or better must be attained in each course taken for the Minor, with an overall GPA of 2.0.
- Both JUS Minor concentrations will be listed in the student’s transcript as a “Minor in Judaic Studies.”
- Each of the JUS Minor concentrations are eligible to qualify as a cognate in either “Arts and Humanities” or “People and Society.” Students are encouraged to contact the JUS Undergraduate Advisor, who will make the determination based on whether at least three courses of the JUS Minor count toward either “Arts and Humanities” or “People and Society”.

Students considering a major or minor in Judaic Studies are encouraged to make an appointment with Dr. Haim Shaked, via email at hshaked@miami.edu or call (305) 284-6882 *prior* to registering for the semester.

***Judaic Studies Courses
at a Glance
Fall 2020***

| NUMBER | COMBINED with | TITLE | DAYS | TIME | Instructor |
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| JUS 231 | REL 231 | Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture and Religion | Tu/Th | 9:30am-10:45am | Dr. Henry Green |
| JUS 301 | REL 311 | Studies in Judaica: Prophecy and Prophetic Literature in the Hebrew Bible | Tu/Th | 12:30pm-1:45pm | Dr. Dexter Callender |
| JUS 301 | REL 325 | Studies in Judaica: Jesus in Myth and History | W | 3:35pm-6:05pm | Dr. Robyn Walsh |
| JUS 301 | REL 406/ ARC 583 | Studies in Judaica: Sacred Spaces | Tu | 5:45pm-8:00pm | Dr. William Green Dr. Denis Hector |
| JUS 338 | INS 310/ HIS 338/ REL 405 | Holocaust History: The Holocaust in Historical Perspective | M | 5:00pm-7:40pm | Dr. Haim Shaked Ms. Golda Retchkiman |
| JUS 375 | REL 375 | Religion & Democracy in Israel | Tu/Th | 11:00am-12:15pm | Dr. Henry Green |
| JUS 410 | INS 310/POL 388 | Special Topics: Politics of Israel | TR | 12:30pm-1:45pm | Dr. Bradford McGuinn |
| JUS 421 | | Internship in Judaic Studies | TBA | TBA | Dr. Haim Shaked |
| HEB 101 | | Elementary Hebrew I | M/W | 3:35pm-4:50pm | TBA |
| HEB 201 | | Intermediate Hebrew I | M/W | 5:00pm-6:15pm | TBA |

Judaic Studies

Fall 2020 Course Descriptions

Courses are listed in alphanumerical order starting with the course designation and number (not by the course title). Listings include JUS courses and courses from other departments included within the Judaic Studies degree audit.

JUDAIC STUDIES

JUS 231-0

Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture and Religion

Combined with REL 231

Instructor: Dr. Henry Green

Section O: Tu/Th 9:30am-10:45am

The course is an introduction to 4,000 years of Jewish civilization from Abraham to today. How is the Jewish experience reimagined over centuries and centuries? The course includes field components, guest lectures and innovative exercises.

JUS 301-Q

Studies in Judaica: Prophecy and Prophetic Literature in the Hebrew Bible

Combined with REL 311

Instructor: Dr. Dexter Callender

Section Q: Tu/Th 12:30pm-1:45pm

Prophecy in ancient Israel and Judah and the prophetic literature of the Hebrew Bible in relation to its ancient Near-Eastern historical, religious, and social context and in view of issues of contemporary life.

JUS 301-R

Studies in Judaica: Jesus in Myth and History

Combined with REL 325

Instructor: Dr. Robyn Walsh

Section R: Tu/Th 2:00pm-3:15pm

Who was Jesus? No other historical figure has been written about, depicted and debated more than the Galilean peasant known as Jesus of Nazareth. Nor has any other figure been interpreted with so many variations over time. This course surveys how Jesus has been portrayed from the earliest extant accounts of his life to the present day. Given our source material, we will focus on his treatment in literature, devotional accounts, art and popular culture, observing how his characterization shifts or changes according to particular historical, cultural, and social circumstances. As we move chronologically through this evidence, we will also test the thesis that Jesus has evolved over time to reflect the concerns and needs of those engaged in re-imagining his life and significance. In short, we will ask the question: is Jesus who we make him?

JUS 301-QE01

Studies in Judaica: Sacred Spaces

Combined with REL 406/ARC 583

Instructor: Dr. William Green and Dr. Denis Hector

Section QE01: Tu 5:45pm-8:00pm

An inter-disciplinary seminar, SACRED SPACE explores the multiple, layered intersections of religion and architecture, through case-studies of contemporary and historic religious buildings across culture, time and place. Students from across the University and the faculty investigate if, how, and to what extent architecture and the sacred are connected and if they require one another.

Topics are explored through case studies, readings and discussion in a dinner-meeting, situated in a discussion setting in Mahoney Residential College, designed to support lively and engaging dialogue. Over the course of the semester, students prepare a case study for group discussion. This course is offered in the Harkness Table format which emphasizes discussion-based learning.

JUS 338-JK**Studies in Judaica: The Holocaust in Historical Perspective****Combined with HIS 338/INS 310/REL 405****Instructor: Dr. Haim Shaked and Ms. Golda Retchkiman****Section JK: M 5:00pm-7:40pm**

The Holocaust (or "Shoah") was an unprecedented case of ideologically-motivated industrial-type systematic murder aimed at annihilating the Jewish people all over Europe. This course will cover the roots and history of the Holocaust, relying heavily on documentary materials, a field visit to the Holocaust Memorial in Miami Beach, survivor testimonies, and guest lectures. A mooc developed by Yad Vashem will also be incorporated.

JUS 375-P**Religion & Democracy in Israel****Combined with REL 375****Instructor: Dr. Henry Green****Section P: Tu/Th 11:00am-12:15pm**

Religion and democracy in Israel and Palestine is an insider's view from the beginnings of Zionism (19th century) to today. The course addresses Israeli and Palestinian society ethnically and religiously and the challenges they face. Topics include BDS, human rights, and the status of Jerusalem.

JUS 410-Q**Special Topics: Politics of Israel****Combined with INS 310/POL 388****Instructor: Dr. Bradford McGuinn****Section Q: Tu/Th 12:30pm-1:45pm**

From war to war and crisis to crisis, Israel is, at once, an established polity, an aspiration and a contention. It is the purpose of this course to examine the Israeli system. The conjugation of three themes will structure this investigation. The first considers the complex, and evolving, identity questions and politics that attend Jewishness, Zionism and being Israeli. The second investigates legitimacy, the nature and dynamics of the Israeli political system. And the third engages the multidimensional nature of Israeli security.

JUS 421-01**Internship in Judaic Studies****Instructor: Dr. Haim Shaked****Section 01: ARRANGED**

DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

HEB 101-H**Elementary Hebrew I****Instructor: TBA****Section H(long) : M/W 3:35pm-4:50pm**

This is a beginner course for students with no or very limited knowledge of Hebrew. The course focuses on the development on written and oral communicative abilities through an interactive approach. The students will acquire essential vocabulary to communicate and express themselves using basic language structures.

At the end of this course, students will be able to read and write about the topics studied in the class and comprehend easy text.

HEB 201-J
Intermediate Hebrew I
Instructor: TBA
Section J: M/W 5:00pm-6:15pm

This course is a continuation of Hebrew 101 and 102, expanding upon the knowledge gained in the prior courses.

The students will deepen their knowledge of the grammatical and syntactic structures and improve the fundamental language skills:

Reading and writing, listening comprehension, and oral expression.

Upon completion, students will be able to read, understand and discuss intermediate level text (Newspaper and Magazine articles, shorts stories and poems) and write short compositions and essays.

Prerequisite: HEB 102