



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

Judaic Studies Program

Spring 2022 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.

Library Resources

For library assistance in Judaic Studies topics, please contact Ms. Kineret Ben-Knaan. For the Judaic Studies Research Guide please go to: <https://sp.library.miami.edu/subjects/JudaicStudies#tab-0>

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

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

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

History

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 INS 510</i>

International Studies

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

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>

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

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

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

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

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

University of Miami faculty teaching courses in or for JUS

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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 Spring 2022

NUMBER	COMBINED with	TITLE	DAYS	TIME	Instructor
JUS 200		Israel: Origins, Culture, and Society	INT'L	INT'L	Dr. Haim Shaked
JUS 231		Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture, and Religion	INT'L	INT'L	Dr. Haim Shaked
JUS 301	ENG 384	Studies in Judaica: The Bible as Literature	Tu/Th	1:00pm-2:15pm	Dr. Pamela Hammons
JUS 301	REL 111	Studies in Judaica: Introduction to the Old Testament			Dr. Dexter Callendar
JUS 410	POL 387/INS 310	Special Topics: Politics of the Middle East	Tu/Th	1:00pm-2:15pm	Dr. Bradford McGuinn
JUS 401	POL348/INS 310	Special Topics: U.S. Relations with the Middle East	Tu/Th	2:40pm-3:55pm	Dr. Bradford McGuinn
JUS 421		Internship in Judaic Studies	TBA	TBA	Dr. Haim Shaked
REL 111		Introduction to the Old Testament / Hebrew Scriptures	Tu/Th	11:20 am – 12:35 pm	Dr. Dexter Callender
REL 406	CIM 406	Persuasion, Propaganda, and Genocide	Tu*	6:00-8:30pm	Rula Jebreal Dr. June Dreyer, Dr. William S. Green
REL 406	ARC 586/CIM 489	Sacred Space in a Era of Artificial Intelligence and Virtual Reality	Th*	6:00-8:30pm	Prof. Denis Hector Dr. Kim Grifeder, Dr. William S. Green
HEB 102		Elementary Hebrew II	M/W	3:30pm-4:45pm	TBA
HEB 202		Intermediate Hebrew II	M/W	6:00pm-7:15pm	TBA

*ONLINE INSTRUCTION ONLY

Judaic Studies

Spring 2022 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 200-01

Israel: Origins, Culture, and Society

Instructor: Dr. Haim Shaked

INT'L

The emergence of modern Israel from the inception of Zionism to the present. It will include the structure of the old and new Yishuv (Italics), Immigrations to Eretz Yisrael, British Mandatory rule in Palestine, relationships with the great powers, sociological associations and cleavages, Israel-Diaspora relation, American Jewry in Israel, and religion and state in Israel.

JUS 231-S

Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture and Religion

Instructor: Dr. Haim Shaked

INT'L

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: The Bible as Literature

Combined with ENG 384

Instructor: Dr. Pamela Hammons

Section Q: Tu/Th 1:00pm-2:15pm

Selected readings from the Bible.

JUS 301-P

Studies in Judaica: Introduction to the Old Testament

Combined with REL 111

Instructor: Dr. Dexter Callendar

Section P: Tu/Th 11:20am-12:35pm

The history and literature of ancient Israel and early Judaism.

JUS 410-Q

Special Topics: Politics of the Middle East

Combined with INS 310/POL 387

Instructor: Dr. Bradford McGuinn

Section Q: Tu/Th 1:00pm-2:30pm

Comparative analysis of the political development of the Middle East in terms of nations and as a region. Particular stress is on the relationships within the region and with other regions of the world. *Prerequisite: POL 202*

JUS 410-R

Special Topics: U.S. Relations with the Middle East

Combined with INS 310/POL 348

Instructor: Dr. Bradford McGuinn

Section R: Tu/Th 2:40pm-3:55pm

Evolution of American relations with the Middle East. Analysis of the motivations and calculations, including domestic and external sources of policy-making and implementation. Emphasis on post-World War II period, with particular attention to the current administration.

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

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

REL 111-P
Introduction to the Old Testament/Hebrew Scriptures
Instructor: Dr. Dexter Callender
Section P: Tu/Th 11:20am-12:35pm

The course examines the history and literature of ancient Israel and early Judaism.

REL 406 QE
Persuasion, Propaganda, and Genocide
Combined with COM 406
Instructor: Rula Jebreal, Dr. William S. Green, Dr. June Dreyer
Tuesdays 6:00pm-8:30pm ONLINE

The course examines how governments and other groups use propaganda to persuade citizens to murder or harm other citizens. It covers theories of propaganda and persuasion and examines case studies such as the Holocaust, Rwanda, China, and aspects of American media and society. It is a discussion-based course.

REL 406 QE
Religion and Sacred Space in a Era of Artificial Intelligence and Virtual Reality
Combined with ARC 586/CIM 489
Instructor: Dr. William S. Green, Dr. Kim Grifeder, Prof. Denis Hector
Thursday 6:00pm-8:30pm ONLINE

The course explores how artificial intelligence and virtual reality will affect the future of religion in both practice and spatial experience. It involves student-designed collaborative projects.

DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

HEB 102-G
Elementary Hebrew II
Instructor: TBA
Section G: M/W 3:30pm-4:45pm

Continuation of HEB 101. Closed to native speakers. *Prerequisite: HEB 101*

HEB 202-J
Intermediate Hebrew II
Instructor: TBA
Section J: M/W 6:00pm-7:15pm

Continuation of 201 with oral presentations, compositions, and grammar review. Class conducted in Hebrew. Closed to native speakers. *Prerequisite: HEB 201*