

JEWISH STUDIES

COURSES SPRING 2022

- **Hebrew 102**, T R 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Prof. I. Peleg
- **The Holocaust** [JS/REES 110.01] M F 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Prof. M. Rice
- **The Holocaust** [JS/REES 110.02] M F 2:45-4:00 p.m., Prof. M. Rice
The Holocaust was arguably the most pernicious Jewish catastrophe; it continues to challenge our understanding of historical processes, our systems of values, and our notions of culture. What ideology facilitated it? Was it directed exclusively at Jews? Who were its first victims? Who was responsible for it – Hitler, Germans, and/or other accomplices? In this course, we will discuss these and other questions by studying primary and secondary sources according to a panoramic approach known as “integrated history.” [GM2, H, V]
- **Judaism: Faith, Communities, Identity**
[REL 213], W F 2:45-4:00 p.m., Prof. J. Carr
An introduction to the religion, history, and literature of the Jewish people. Among the areas covered are: the biblical heritage; the development of rabbinic Judaism; ritual and practice; medieval philosophy and practice, and the reactions of Jews to modernity, such as political emancipation, immigration to America, the Holocaust, the state of Israel, and issues of gender. [GM1, H, V]
- **Jewish-Christian Relations**
[REL/JS 226], M F 1:15-2:30 p.m., Prof. M. Rice
Judaism and Christianity claim common roots, yet historically defined themselves often as adversaries. Throughout most of history, Christianity relegated Judaism to a status of tolerated minority. This course explores complicated Jewish-Christian interactions since the “parting of the ways,” to medieval persecutions of the Jews, to processes of modernization and emancipation, to recent attempts at dialogue spurred by the tragedy of the Holocaust. While not free from controversies, these attempts do often result in interfaith reconciliation. [GM1, H, V]
- **Middle East Politics** [GL 230.01], T R 9:30-10:45 a.m.*Prof. I. Peleg
- **Middle East Politics** [GL 230.02], T R 1:15-2:30 p.m.* Prof. I. Peleg
The course examines topics such as the Arab-Israeli conflict, the struggle for domination in the Arab World, the role of the superpowers in the region, and the politics of oil. An analysis of international political processes in some of the Middle Eastern countries is used to examine explanations for the foreign policies of these countries. The course assesses different solutions to problems confronted by the nations of the Middle East. [GM2, W]
- **Special Topics: Black, Jewish, Black & Jewish**
[REL/JS 351], W 7-9:50 p.m.* Prof. J. Carr
This course centers contact to examine ways that Jews participated in early modern invention of “Blackness.” Gender, race, and religion have been inter-articulated and require intersectional study by those arguing they were “Black” or “White.” We trace some legacies of “Blackness” amongst those enslaved or disenfranchised across the Atlantic and how “Blackness” and “Jewishness” have been imagined to be exclusive and/or complementary by people who understood themselves to be Black, Jewish, or Black and Jewish. [GM1, GM2, SS, V, W]

*The course is limited to 18 students