



The Jewish Experience

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Who are the Jews? What are the underlying principles of Judaism? Is “Jewish” an ethnic, racial, national, or religious category? What is the relation between the Hebrew Scriptures and modern-day Israel? To what extent is the conflict in the Middle East rooted in biblical history?

This course serves as an introduction to the study of Judaism, Jewish history, and contemporary Jewish cultures, including those found in Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Americas. It also provides a social, geopolitical, religious, and historical perspective on the modern-day state of Israel through selections of popular Israeli literature, cinema, music, and theater.

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W, 6:00PM-9:00PM

3 credit hours

INSTRUCTOR

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*No previous background in Hebrew or Jewish Studies is required.



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