JUDAIC STUDIES (JUS)

JUS 200. Israel: Origins, Culture and Society. 3 Credit Hours.
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.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 205. Holocaust Survivor Service Internship. 3 Credit Hours.
Interns will gain meaningful experiences that will offer them an opportunity to become involved in service-oriented activities. This will give them a deepinsight and unique understanding of the historical significance of the Holocaust while providing valuable services to the survivors of Nazi atrocities.
Components: DIS.
Grading: CNC.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 206. Holocaust Survivor Service Internship. 3 Credit Hours.
Components: SEM.
Grading: CNC.
Typically Offered: Spring.

JUS 231. Jewish Civilization: Society, Culture and Religion. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to Jewish civilization from Abraham to present.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 250. The Holocaust Through Film, Memoir and Testimony. 3 Credit Hours.
The purpose of the course is to introduce students to the history of the Holocaust through classroom dialogue, film, and literature analysis. Involving students in major ethical and moral issues raised in the study of the Holocaust by encouraging students to think critically, explore choices, and make decisions based on a code of conduct that reflects a commitment to humanity.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 300. Jewish Peoplehood: Calling & Covenant. 3 Credit Hours.
In this course, we will explore individual and collective Jewish identity formation within the context of the modern commitment of the Jewish people to their heritage.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 301. Studies In Judaica. 3 Credit Hours.
Special topics offering at the 300-level for students pursuing a major/minor in Judaic Studies.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 302. Ethical and Moral Issues. 3 Credit Hours.
The course is designed to provide a comprehensive introduction to the Middle East and a basic understanding of factors, forces, and processes shaping developments in the modern and contemporary history of this important world region.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 303. Seminar in Judaic Studies. 3 Credit Hours.
The seminar introduces students to the discipline of Judaic Studies. Through readings, analysis of speeches and essays, exploration of films and the internet, the class will move through time from the origins of the Zionist idea to the present.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 304. Comparative Judaism. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will provide students with an understanding of the origins, development, and distinctive characteristics of the world’s major religions. Students will have the opportunity to compare and contrast Judaism with Christianity, Islam, and other significant religious traditions.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 305. Introduction to Rabbinic Judaism. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of the Mishnah and Talmud, the central texts of Rabbinic Judaism. Students will engage in the study of these texts, focusing on their historical and philosophical significance.
Components: SEM.
Grading: CNC.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 306. Jewish Thought: Medieval & Early Modern. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish thought from the Middle Ages through the early modern period. The course will explore the development of Jewish philosophy and theology, focusing on key thinkers and their contributions.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 307. Jewish Thought: Modern & Contemporary. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish thought from the modern period through the contemporary. The course will explore the development of Jewish philosophy and theology, focusing on key thinkers and their contributions.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 308. Women and Gender in Jewish History. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish women and gender roles from ancient times to the present day. The course will explore the historical, cultural, and social contexts that have shaped Jewish women's experiences.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 309. Jewish History and Literature. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish history and literature, focusing on key periods and figures in Jewish history and their impact on Jewish identity and culture.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 310. Jewish History and Culture. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish history and culture, focusing on key periods and figures in Jewish history and their impact on Jewish identity and culture.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 311. Jewish History and Culture. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish history and culture, focusing on key periods and figures in Jewish history and their impact on Jewish identity and culture.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 312. Jewish History and Culture. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish history and culture, focusing on key periods and figures in Jewish history and their impact on Jewish identity and culture.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 313. Jewish History and Culture. 3 Credit Hours.
The study of Jewish history and culture, focusing on key periods and figures in Jewish history and their impact on Jewish identity and culture.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 314. The Rise of Judaism. 3 Credit Hours.
The history and literature of early Judaism, covering the period from the fall of Jerusalem in 587/586 BCE to the beginnings of rabbinic Judaism and the formation of the Mishnah (ca.200 CE).
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 324. The History of Zionism. 3 Credit Hours.
The religious, cultural, historical, political and social underpinnings of the development of Zionism that led to the creation of the State of Israel. Through readings, analysis of speeches and essays, exploration of films and the internet, the class will move through time from the origins of the Zionist idea to the present.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 325. Israel: The Making of a State. 3 Credit Hours.
The creation of the state of Israel in its historical context, emphasizing the period of 1945-55: The struggle for Israel's establishment, the making of the state and the early challenges Israel faced. The class will use documents, text, testimony, poetry, music and film.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 338. History of the Holocaust. 3 Credit Hours.
Focus on the roots, events and results of the Nazis nearly successful annihilation of Jewish men, women, and children living under the Swastika. We will study Hitler's political aims, his Aryan superiority mythology, his domestic and foreign policies, and his conquests. We will also investigate how Germans, admired for their culture, became instruments of mass murder. Also included in this survey are the heroism of Jewish resisters and gentile rescuers who stood in direct opposition to the silence of the Christian churches and inactivity of the nearly all nations in the face of the Jewish disaster.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 340. History of Modern Germany Since 1815. 3 Credit Hours.
German history from the Congress of Vienna in 1815 to the end of the Second World War. The course concentrates on the social, political, and cultural history of Germany between Bismarck and Hitler. The main topics of discussion include the following: The German states before and during the revolutions of 1848, German unification and Prussian policy during the 1850s and 1860s, Bismarck’s foreign policy and the political history of the Empire from 1871 to 1914, the origins and the course of the First World War, the Versailles Treaty and the history of the Weimar Republic, Hitler’s rise to power and the politics of Nazi Germany between 1933 and 1939, Germany during the Second World War and the Holocaust. To bring the past to life, lectures will occasionally be supplemented by documentary films.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

JUS 352. Panoramic View of the Middle East. 3 Credit Hours.
The course is designed to provide a comprehensive introduction to the Middle East and a basic understanding of factors, forces, and processes shaping developments in the modern and contemporary history of this important world region.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.
JUS 360. Hollywood and Popular Culture: The American Jewish Experience. 3 Credit Hours.
The image of the Jew and the Jewish experience in American Cinema. Prerequisite: JUS 231 or HIS 102.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 375. Religion and Democracy in Israel. 3 Credit Hours.
Israel's evolution as a nation and a society by focusing on how religion impacts ethnicity, culture, and democracy.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 380. Archaeology of Palestine. 3 Credit Hours.
Survey of the major archaeological excavations and surveys of Palestine, how this is used to interpret biblical narrative and give context to the emergence of Judaism and Christianity.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

JUS 401. Studies in Judaica. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Designed to enable students interested in some phase of Judaic Studies to study extensively in that field of interest.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 410. Special Topics. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 411. Special Topics. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

JUS 421. Internship in Judaic Studies. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Prescribed study and supervised work with practitioners in Judaic services.
Components: DIS.
Grading: CNC.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

JUS 498. Senior Thesis. 3 Credit Hours.
Partial requirement for Departmental Honors in Judaic Studies. Thesis to be a documented essay in any area of Judaic Studies written under the direction of a member of the faculty.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

JUS 499. Senior Thesis. 3 Credit Hours.
Partial requirement for Departmental Honors in Judaic Studies. Thesis to be a documented essay in any area of Judaic Studies written under the direction of a member of the faculty.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.