**Course Catalog - Spring 2015**

**Jewish Studies**

Jewish Culture and Society  
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Subjects associated with this department include: Hebrew (HEBR) and Jewish Studies (JS).

**JS 199  Undergraduate Open Seminar**  
credit: 1 TO 5 hours.  
Faculty offer seminars in a range of areas that provide an opportunity for undergraduates to be exposed to key dimensions of Jewish Studies. May be repeated in the same or separate terms to a maximum of 10 hours.

**JS 211  War & Peace in Israeli Lit**  
credit: 3 hours.  
Same as CWL 211 and SAME 211. See CWL 211.

**JS 341  Love & Sex in Hebrew Lit**  
credit: 3 hours.  
Same as CWL 341, RLST 340 and SAME 341. See CWL 341.

**JS 399  Special Topics**  
credit: 3 hours.  
Faculty offer special topics in their areas of expertise that provide an opportunity for undergraduates to be exposed to some of the most current developments in faculty research. May be repeated in the same or separate term to a maximum of 9 hours.

**JS 454  Topics in Israeli Lit &Culture**  
credit: 3 OR 4 hours.  
Same as CWL 454 and SAME 454. See CWL 454.

**JS 495  Independent Study**  
credit: 2 TO 4 hours.  
Readings in selected fields in consultation with the instructor along with the completion of a specified writing assignment. May be repeated in the same term to a maximum of 4 undergraduate hours or 8 graduate hours. May be repeated in separate terms to a maximum of 8 undergraduate hours and 16 graduate hours. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

**JS 501  Grad Intro to Jewish Culture**  
credit: 4 hours.  
Interdisciplinary graduate-level introduction to the study of Jewish culture and society. Focuses on the significations of Jewishness in modern history through a wide range of recent writings by historians, anthropologists, philosophers and cultural theorists. Key themes will include the relationship of Judaism to the other monotheistic religions, the varied pathways of Jewish modernization, the construction of Jewish Otherness in Europe and beyond, and responses to the Holocaust and the creation of the state of Israel.

**JS 502  Holocaust Genocide Studies**  
credit: 4 hours.  
Interdisciplinary graduate-level introduction to Holocaust, Genocide, and Memory Studies, focusing on the origins and unfolding of genocidal violence and the legacies of genocide in collective memory, literature, and artistic representation. Key themes will include the relationship between perpetrators, victims, and bystanders; the problems of historical comparison; trauma and testimony; violence and representation.
JS 551  **Seminar in Jewish Culture**  credit: 4 hours.
Analysis of selected topics of special interest in Jewish Studies. May be repeated in the same term to a maximum of 8 hours. May be repeated in separate terms to a maximum of 16 hours. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

JS 552  **Seminar Holocaust & Genocide**  credit: 4 hours.
Analysis of selected topics of special interest in Holocaust, Genocide, Memory Studies. May be repeated in the same term to a maximum of 8 hours. May be repeated in separate terms to a maximum of 16 hours. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.