



## *Syllabus*

### *History of Capitalism - 39908*

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*HU Credits:* 2

*Responsible Department:* History

*Academic year:* 0

*Semester:* 1st Semester

*Teaching Languages:* Hebrew

*Campus:* Mt. Scopus

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*Course/Module description:*

*In recent years, historians have been examining capitalism as a historically*

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contingent and culturally specific economic system. Under the label 'history of capitalism,' new studies build on older literature in economic history, business history, and labor history, while combining them with social and cultural history. This seminar will introduce students to key works in this emerging field. Reflecting the focus of the new historiography, it will be centered on US history but with frequent readings and discussions on capitalism in other parts of the world and as a global system.

Course/Module aims:

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

Know key works in the emerging field of the history of Capitalism.  
Discuss the key historiographical debates of the field.  
Understand the central questions in the field.

Attendance requirements(%):

90%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Class discussion and text analysis.

Course/Module Content:

See the Moodle site for a detailed course plan.

Required Reading:

- Kenneth Pomeranz, *The Great Divergence: China, Europe, and the Making of the Modern World Economy*
- Ed Baptist, *The Half that Has Never Been Told*
- Jonathan Levy, *Freaks of Fortune: The Emerging World of Capitalism and Risk in America*
- Timothy Mitchell, *Rule of Experts: Egypt, Techno-Politics, Modernity*
- Other secondary sources.

Additional Reading Material:

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*Course/Module evaluation:*

*End of year written/oral examination 0 %*

*Presentation 0 %*

*Participation in Tutorials 30 %*

*Project work 50 %*

*Assignments 0 %*

*Reports 20 %*

*Research project 0 %*

*Quizzes 0 %*

*Other 0 %*

*Additional information:*