



# *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

## *Syllabus*

### *Folkloristics: Practice and Ideology - 12855*

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*HU Credits: 2*

*Degree/Cycle: 2nd degree (Master)*

*Responsible Department: Folklore and Folk Culture Studies*

*Academic year: 0*

*Semester: 2nd Semester*

*Teaching Languages: Hebrew*

*Campus: Mt. Scopus*

*Course/Module Coordinator: Dr. Dani Schrire*

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*Teaching Staff:*

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Dr. Dani Schrire

Course/Module description:

The course addresses the emergence and establishment of a distinct cultural category - folklore. The course combines reading and discussions in the history and theory of folkloristics

Course/Module aims:

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

1. to compare between different approaches to folklore and folk-culture
2. to observe various practices (scholarly and others) that were tied to the emergence of folklore as a distinctive cultural category.
3. to distinguish between factors that consolidate folklore as a sustainable phenomenon and factors that are more variable.
4. to analyse practices that construct folklore as a distinct cultural category.
5. to scrutinize texts that relate to folklore - implicitly or explicitly.

Attendance requirements(%):

85

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: "Moodle" based instruction

Course/Module Content:

The emergence of folklore as a category  
ethnographic questionnaires  
Folklore collecting  
Authenticity  
Encounters in Fieldwork  
Genre taxonomies  
Tradition Archives  
The Nazification of folklore-studies in Germany  
Folklore and Revolution  
Between Amateurs and Professional folklorists  
Devolution and Evolution  
Folklore and the Internet

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Required Reading:

*Will be distributed in the first meeting of the course*

Additional Reading Material:

Grading Scheme:

Additional information:

*"Moodle" based course with active participation in internet forum every week*