Syllabus

THE EARLY STAGES OF CHRISTIAN ANTI-JUDAISM - 13161

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department:

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

Course/Module Coordinator:

Coordinator Email:

Coordinator Office Hours:

Teaching Staff: Prof Oded Irshai
Course/Module description:
The course will comprise of a close reading of extracts from the corpus of the earliest set of Adversus Judaeos literature. The selection will include chapters from Justin Martyr's Dialogue with Trypho, The Response to the Jews by Turtullian, and from Origen's Contra Celsum. The discussions will center on the content and strategies employed in these early Christian apologetic writings.

Course/Module aims:

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:
To get acquainted with the earliest layers of Adversus judaeos literature.
To write a short essay comparing various themes within this literature

Attendance requirements(%):
100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction:

Course/Module Content:
close reading of excerpts from Justin Martyr's Dialogue with Trypho, Contra Judaeos of Turtullian and Contra Celsum by Origen

Required Reading:
O. Irshai, 'From Oblivion to Fame: The History of the Palestinian Church (135-303 CE)', in:
O. Limor & G.G. Stroumsa (eds.), Christians and Christianity in the Holy Land: From the Origins to the Latin Kingdom, Louvain 2006, pp. 91-139
J. Carleton-Paget, 'The definition of the term "Jewish Christian"/ "Jewish Christianity" in the history of research', in idem, Jews, Christians and Jewish Christians in Antiquity, Tbingen 2010, pp. 189-324
A. Yoshiko Reed, "Jewish Christianity" after the "Parting of the Ways": Approaches
to Historiography and Self-Definition in the Pseudo Clementines', in, Adam H. Becker and A. Y. Reed (eds.), The Ways that Never Parted: Jews and Christians in Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages, Tbingen 2003, pp. 189-231

O. Skarsuane, The Proof from Prophecy - A Study in Justin Martyr’s Proof-Text Tradition: Text-Type, Provenance, Theological Profile, Leiden 1987

P. Fredriksen & O. Irshai, ‘Include Me Out: Tertullian, the Rabbis, and the Greco-Roman City’, (forthcoming)


Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 20 %
Project work 70 %
Assignments 10 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: