

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Inter-ethnic relations: Ukrainian-Jewish Case - 1609

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Jewish Studies

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: English

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

This course explores the dynamics of inter-ethnic relations, focusing on historical and social aspects of ethnic interactions. This course delves into the complex and multifaceted relationship between Ukrainians and Jews from historical and contemporary perspectives. It explores the cultural, social, and political dynamics that have shaped interactions between these communities, examining periods of cooperation, conflict, and transformation. Likewise, this course investigates the role of different imperial national policies in the formation of Ukrainian-Jewish relations.

Course/Module aims:

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

Students will engage with various sources to understand the evolution of Ukrainian-Jewish relations and their impact on present-day issues.

Attendance requirements(%):

100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures

Course/Module Content:

1. Introduction to Ethnicity and Inter-Ethnic Relations
2. Historical Perspectives on Ethnic Relations
3. Introduction to Ukrainian-Jewish Relations
4. Historical Foundations and Early Interactions
5. The Impact of the Russian Empire and the Austro-Hungarian Empire
6. The Interwar Period and the Rise of Nationalism
7. The Holocaust in Ukraine and its Aftermath
8. Soviet Era and Jewish Life in the USSR
9. Contemporary Issues and Debates affecting Ukrainian-Jewish relations

Required Reading:

Aster, Howar, Potichnyj, Peter J., Ukrainian-Jewish relations in historical perspective (Toronto: Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, 2010)

Anderson, Benedict, Imagined Communities: Reflections on the Origin and Spread of

Nationalism (London: Verso, 2006)

Khanin, Ze'ev, Documents on Ukrainian Jewish identity and emigration 1944-1990 (London; Portland, Or: Frank Cass, 2003)

Magocsi, Paul R. , A history of Ukraine: the land and its peoples (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2010)

Magocsi, Paul R., Petrovskii-Shtern, Iokhanan, Jews and Ukrainians: a millennium of co-existence (University of Toronto. Chair of Ukrainian Studies, 2018)

Petrovskii-Shtern, Iokhanan, The anti-imperial choice: the making of the Ukrainian Jew (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2009)

Smith, Anthony D, The nation in history: historiographical debates about ethnicity and nationalism (Hanover, NH: University Press of New England, 2000)

Subtelny, Orest, Ukraine: a history (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2009)

Additional Reading Material:

Grading Scheme:

Essay / Project / Final Assignment / Home Exam / Referat 80 %

Attendance / Participation in Field Excursion 20 %

Additional information: