



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

A GOLDEN AGE: HEBREW VERSE IN AL -ANDALUS - 17132

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Hebrew Literature

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

What makes Muslim Iberia (Al Andalus) of c. the 10th-12th Centuries CE be viewed as the Golden Era of Hebrew verse? we will answer this question by defining what is unique to this school of Hebrew poetry, through the close reading of selected poems by its leading figures such as Ibn Gabirol and Halevi.

Course/Module aims:

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

To adequately discuss and appreciate Hebrew poems of the Andalusian Golden Era.

Attendance requirements(%):

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction:

Course/Module Content:

- The uniqueness of the Andalusian school of Hebrew poetry and its cultural background - the encounter of Jewish and Arab cultures and the emergence of secular Hebrew poetry.
- Major genres of Andalusian Hebrew secular and liturgical verse
- Personal poetry by the greatest Hebrew Andalusian poets.

Required Reading:

A COLLECTION OF POEMS:

י' יהלום, שירת תור הזהב בספרד, ירושלים תש"ם

TEXTBOOKS:

1. חיים שירמן, השירה העברית בספרד ובפרובנס, א-ד, ירושלים ותל אביב 1959

2. חיים שירמן-עזרא פליישר, תולדות השירה העברית בספרד המוסלמית, ירושלים תשנ"ו

3. דן פגיס, חידוש ומסורת בשירת החול, ירושלים 1976

4. שולמית אליצור, שירת החול העברית בספרד המוסלמית, א-ג, תל אביב תשס"ד

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 20 %

Project work 0 %

Assignments 80 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information:

All interested HU students are welcome.

English papers will be accepted.