

# *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

## *Syllabus*

### *The Language of the Book of Job - 25712*

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*HU Credits:* 2

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

*Responsible Department:* Hebrew Language

*Academic year:* 0

*Semester:* 2nd Semester

*Teaching Languages:* Hebrew

*Campus:* Mt. Scopus

*Course/Module Coordinator:* Steven Fassberg

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*Coordinator Office Hours:* by appointment

*Teaching Staff:*

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Prof Steven Fassberg

Course/Module description:

analysis of the language of the Book of Job paying special attention to the different styles, genres, and lexicon.

Course/Module aims:

students will distinguish between the different types of language employed in the biblical book of Job within the largest context of Northwest Semitic and the periodization of Hebrew

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

students will develop a sensitivity to the artistic skill of the author of Job and will be able to place the language of the book in its historical context

Attendance requirements(%):

100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: joint reading, student presentations

Course/Module Content:

1. Traditional views on the dating and language of the book of Job
2. Modern views
3. Prose vs. Poetry
4. Framework story versus poems
5. salient features of phonology, morphology, lexicon, and syntax

Required Reading:

פירושים

ע' חכם, ספר איוב (דעת מקרא). ירושלים תש"ל.

נ"ה טור-סיני, ספר איוב. ירושלים תשל"ב.

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#### מאמרים וספרים

א' הורביץ, "לשונו של סיפור המסגרת בספר איוב ומקומה בתולדות העברית המקראית", בית מקרא כ (תשל"ה), עמ' 472-475.

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D.J.A. Clines et al., *The Dictionary of Classical Hebrew*. Sheffield 1993-2016.  
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L. Koehler, W. Baumgartner, et al., *Hebräisches und aramäisches Lexikon zum Alten Testament*<sup>3</sup>. Leiden 1967-1996.

L. Koehler, W. Baumgartner, et al., *The Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament*, tr. and ed. by M.E.J. Richardson. Leiden 2001.

## (hapax legomena) יחידאיות מילים

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Additional Reading Material:

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Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 100 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: