



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Consciousness and Liberation in Hinduism and Buddhism - 35825

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: Asian Studies

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

The course aims to examine and compare the main theories of liberation in central Indian philosophical systems, and to assess the role played by consciousness, whether pure or constructed, in each.

Course/Module aims:

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

1. To reach liberation.
2. To understand how one reaches liberation.
3. To understand how different Indian thinkers conceived of liberation and the path thereto.

Attendance requirements(%):

100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Discussion in class based on close readings of texts, supported by frontal lectures and interspersed with examination of the materials in meditation.

Course/Module Content:

1. Bhagavad Gita
2. Yoga.
3. Advaita.
4. Early Buddhism
5. Mahayana Buddhism.
6. Zen and Tibetan Buddhism.

Required Reading:

source materials for every lesson. approximately 7 articles/chapters (a full list will appear close to the beginning of the second semester)

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 10 %

Participation in Tutorials 30 %

Project work 50 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 10 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: