

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

The Crusades and the Kingdom of Jerusalem - 39190

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: History

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

The course will survey the history of the crusades and the Crusader Kingdom of Jerusalem, and their place in world history. Through this test case, we will try to understand the general laws that govern world history, and the way historians work.

Course/Module aims:

The main aim is to understand the laws governing history and the research methods of historians. Another aim to get to know the Middle Ages in general, and the Crusader period in particular.

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

To analyze by themselves sources from the Crusader period, and to understand historical processes in a critical and creative way.

Attendance requirements(%):
100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Open discussion

Course/Module Content:

1. How to approach history?
2. When did the crusades begin?
3. When did the crusades end?
4. What did the crusades change?
5. Do historical processes have a direction?
6. Does history have fixed players and characters?
7. The crusades as a clash of civilizations.
8. Experiences, stories and laws in history.

Required Reading:

איריס שגריר, מסעי הצלב: היסטוריה והיסטוריוגרפיה (רעננה: האוניברסיטה הפתוחה, 2014).
יהושע פראוור, תולדות ממלכת הצלבנים בארץ-ישראל (ירושלים: מוסד ביאליק, 1984).

Further reading will be given from one lesson to the next

Additional Reading Material:

No

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 10 %

Project work 80 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 10 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: