



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Ancient Mesopotamia in the Third Millennium BC: History Culture & Literature - 42654

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: archaeology & ancient near east

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Teaching Staff:

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Course/Module description:

An introduction to Mesopotamia (Cuneiform Civilization) in the third millennium BCE. Studies in the culture, literature, and history of the period.

Course/Module aims:

To provide a first look at Ancient Mesopotamian civilization.

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

To write intelligently about the major issues relating to Ancient Mesopotamia in the third millennium BCE.

Attendance requirements(%):

100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures

Course/Module Content:

חדש: אתנה והנשר)

8.12)

ש. שפרה וי. קליין, בימים הרחוקים ההם: אתנה והנשר (141-162), עלילות לוגלבנדה (141-162)
W. Horowitz, Mesopotamian Cosmic Geography 3-19

7. גיבורים (15.12)

P. Michalowski, 'Sumerian Literature, An Overview,' in J. Sasson ed CANE IV 2279-2291.

B. Alster, 'Epic Tales from Ancient Sumer: Enmerkar, Lugalbanda, and Other Cunning Heroes' in J. Sasson ed CANE IV 2315-2326

ש. שפרה וי. קליין, בימים הרחוקים ההם: אתנה והנשר (141-162), עלילות לוגלבנדה (163-182)
H. Vantiphout, Epics of Sumerian Kings, The Matter of Aratta,

8. אכד האמפריה באגדה (22.12)

M. Roaf, The Cultural Atlas of Mesopotamia 96-99

W. Horowitz, Mesopotamian Cosmic Geography

9. אור III

M. Roaf, *The Cultural Atlas of Mesopotamia* 99-103
J. Klein, 'Shulgi of Ur: King of a Neo-Sumerian Empire,' in J. Sasson ed., *CANE II* 843-857
A. Kuhrt, *The ancient near East: C. 3000-330 BC*, 58-73
S. Kang, *Sumerian Economic Texts from The Drehem Archive*

10. אסטרונומיה ולוח השנה
W. Horowitz, 'Some Thoughts on Sumerian Star-Names and Sumerian Astronomy'
M.E. Cohen, *The Cultic Calendars of the Ancient Near East*
M. Civil, *The Farmer's Instructions, A Sumerian Agricultural Manual*
(צילום)

11. האיכה השומרית וסיפורת החוכמה
T. Jacobsen, *Treasures of Darkness* 147-164
W. Hallo, 'Lamentations and Prayers in Sumer and Akkad,' in J. Sasson ed., *CANE II* 1871-1881.
P. Michalowski, *The Lamentation over the Destruction of Sumer and Ur* 425-443)
ש. שפרה וי. קליין, בימים הרחוקים ההם: קינה על העיר אור (425-443)

12. גלגמש השומרי
A. George, *The Babylonian Gilgamesh Epic*, 3-17
ש. שפרה וי. קליין, בימים הרחוקים ההם: גלגמש וח'ומבבה (295-307), גלגמש, אנכידו והשאול (308-321), גלגמש ואגה (322-327)

13. גלגמש ו
A. George, *The Babylonian Gilgamesh Epic*, 17-39
ש. שפרה וי. קליין, בימים הרחוקים ההם: עלילות גלגמש (183-294)

Required Reading:

ביבליוגרפיה
שפרה ש. וי. קליין, בימים הרחוקים ההם: אנתולוגיה משירת המזרח הקדום, עם עודב, 1996. (SHI 3395)
Amiet P., *Art of The Ancient Near East*, transl. J. Shepley and Claude Choquet; New York, 1980. (Arch. 2000 AMI)
Bottero J., *Mesopotamia*; Chicago, 1992. (4200 BOT)
Burstein S., *The Babyloniaca of Berossus*; Malibu, 1978. (3390.SM 001:05)
Civil M., 1994: *The Farmer's Instructions, A Sumerian Agricultural Manual* (&eq; Aula Orientalis Supplementa 5), Editorial Ausa, Barcelona. (צילום)
Cohen M.E., 1993: *The Cultic Calendars of the Ancient Near East*, Bethesda (4140)

H).

Cooper J., *The Curse of Agade*; Baltimore, 1983. (3280 CUR)

Cooper J. and W. Heimpel, 'The Sumerian Sargon Legend'; *Journal of The American Oriental Society* 103 67-82. (Arch. Per)

Foster B., *Before the Muses*; Bethesda, 1993. (3385 FOS)

George A., *The Babylonian Gilgamesh Epic: Introduction, Critical Edition, and Cuneiform Texts*, Oxford, 2003. (3395 GEOR)

Horowitz W., "Some Thoughts on Sumerian Star-Names and Sumerian Astronomy" in Y. Sefati et al. eds., *An Experienced Scribe Who Neglects Nothing, Ancient Near Eastern Studies in Honor of Jacob Klein*, CDL Press, Bethesda, 2005: 163-178. (1300 KLE)

Horowitz W. and T. Oshima, *Cuneiform in Canaan*, Jerusalem, 2006. (3385 HOR)

Jacobsen T., *The Treasures of Darkness A History of Mesopotamian Religion*, New Haven, 1976. (5100 J)

Johansen F., *Statues of Gudea, Ancient and Modern*, Copenhagen, 1978. (9151 J)

Kang S., *Sumerian Economic Texts from The Drehem Archive*, Urbana, 1972. (3250 ILL)

Kramer S., *The Sumerians*; Chicago, 1963. (4300 KRA)

Kuhrt A., *The ancient near East: C. 3000-330 BC*, London, 1995. (4100 KUH)

Lambert, W.G., 'Mesopotamian Creation Stories,' in M. Geller and M. Schipper eds., *Imagining Creation*, Leiden, 2008: 15-59. (5700 IMA)

Michalowski P., *The Lamentation over the Destruction of Sumer and Ur*; Winona Lake, 1989. (3245 MIC)

Moorey P., *Ancient Mesopotamian Materials and Industries, The Archaeological Evidence*, Winona Lake, 1999. (Arch. 3800 MOO-MAT)

Nemet-Nejat K., *Daily Life in Ancient Mesopotamia*, Westport, 1998. (9400 NEM)

Nissen H., *The Early History of the Ancient Near East*, Chicago, 1988. (Arch. 2000 NIS)

Nissen H., P. Damerow, and R. Englund., *Archaic Bookkeeping*, transl. P. Larsen, Chicago, 1993. (4100 NIS)

Oppenheim A., *Ancient Mesopotamia*, Chicago, 1964. (4200 O)

Postgate N., *Early Mesopotamia*, London, 1992. (4200 POS)

Roaf M., *Cultural Atlas of Mesopotamia and the Ancient Near East*; Oxford, 1990. (4200 ROA)

Roux G., *Ancient Iraq*, Hammondsworth, 1969. (4200 R)

Sasson J. ed., *Civilizations of the Ancient Near East*; New York, 1995. (2000 SAS)

Sallaberger, W. 1993: *Der kultische Kalender der Ur III-Zeit*, W. de. Gruyter, Berlin. (3390.UAVA 007)

Steinkeller P., 'Early Political Development in Mesopotamia and the Origins of the Sargonic Empire', in M. Liverani ed. *Akkad: The First World Empire*; Padova (1993) 107-129. (4410 LIV)

Vanstiphout H., *Epics of Sumerian Kings, The Matter of Aratta*, Atlanta, 2003. (3280 VANS)

von Soden, W., *The Ancient Orient*; Grand Rapids, 1994. (4100 SOD, FB)

Vukosavović F., *Reforms of Uruinimigina*, Jerusalem, 2009. (3250.VUK)

Walker C., *Read the Past, Cuneiform*; London, 1987. (2100 WAL)

Westenholz A. 'The World View of Sargonic Officials, Differences in mentality between Sumerians and Akkadians' in M. Liverani ed. *Akkad: The First World Empire*; Padova, 1993, 157-169. (4410 L)
Westenholz J., *Legends of The Kings of Akkad*, Winona Lake, 1997. (3395.WES)

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 100 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 0 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: