



## *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

### *Syllabus*

### *Philosophy of Media - 50054*

*Last update 13-08-2017*

*HU Credits: 2*

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

*Responsible Department: communication & journalism*

*Academic year: 0*

*Semester: 1st Semester*

*Teaching Languages: Hebrew*

*Campus: Mt. Scopus*

*Course/Module Coordinator: prof. Amit Pinchevski*

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*Coordinator Office Hours:*

*Teaching Staff:*

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Prof Amit Pinchevski

Course/Module description:

The course is offered specifically for advanced research students: M.A. and PhD. It will proceed as a reading group in which we will read one major text (and related texts), which concern key questions about the essence, nature and operation of media.

Course/Module aims:

The course provides an alternative learning space, largely absent from existing graduate studies curriculum. Rather than frontal teaching or conducting individual research, the goal here is partaking in a research forum dedicated to reading and discussion of a text that demands combined intellectual effort.

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

- \*close reading of a highly challenging work
- \*development of critical thinking skills
- \*develop philosophical understanding of key questions of media
- \* active participation in a reading group
- \*leading group discussion

Attendance requirements(%):

80

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: reading and discussion  
keeping a reading diary

Course/Module Content:

The course is dedicated to reading Jacques Derrida's pathbreaking work *Of Grammatology* (this year marks the 50th anniversary of its publication), and through it engaging with speech and writing as key questions in the philosophy of media

Required Reading:

Jacques Derrida, *Of Grammatology*

and other texts (Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Ferdinand de Saussure, and others) -- as

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*needed*

*Additional Reading Material:*

*Course/Module evaluation:*

*End of year written/oral examination 0 %*

*Presentation 0 %*

*Participation in Tutorials 50 %*

*Project work 0 %*

*Assignments 50 %*

*Reports 0 %*

*Research project 0 %*

*Quizzes 0 %*

*Other 0 %*

*Additional information:*