



# *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

## *Syllabus*

### *political psychology of morality and religion - 56050*

*Last update 04-05-2024*

*HU Credits: 4*

*Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)*

*Responsible Department: Political Science*

*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:*

*In this seminar, students will conduct an empirical study on the political psychology of religion in urban spaces and its impact on immigrant integration.*

*Course/Module aims:*

*The purpose of this course is to provide students with advanced knowledge and practical research experience in the political psychology of religion.*

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

*Demonstrate the ability to develop a research question, critically evaluate the political psychology literature on religion in the urban space and formulate testable hypotheses.*

*Plan an appropriate research design, develop conceptualization and operationalization of variables.*

*Conduct an empirical study, gain IRB certification and collect data where appropriate.*

*Analyze data and formulate conclusions based on analyses.*

*Write a scientific report in the form of an academic article, applying conventional research-reporting style.*

*Demonstrate the ability to present, interpret and discuss research findings, in relation to other studies.*

*Work efficiently under academic mentoring.*

*Attendance requirements(%):*

*100*

*Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lecture, workshop, discussion, presentations.*

*Course/Module Content:*

*An introduction to the study of the psychology of religiosity*

*Multidimensionality of religiosity and immigration*

*The spatial dimension of religion*

*Religion as a coping mechanism during a realistic threat among immigrants*

*Religion as a coping mechanism during a symbolic threat among immigrants*

*State-level policies on religion and immigrant integration*

*Local-level policies on religion and immigrant integration*

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*Spatial religion and integration of immigrants from religious minority groups*  
*Immigrants from minority Abrahamic religions in Paris*  
*Immigrants from minority Abrahamic religions in London*  
*Immigrants from minority Abrahamic religions in Tel Aviv*  
*Drafting an IRB proposal*  
*Development of research instruments*  
*Data analysis bootcamp*

**Required Reading:**

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- Lee, Y. (2023). Welcoming Strangers: Protestant Churches' Involvement in Refugee Resettlement in the United States. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.
- Ley, D. (2008). The immigrant church as an urban service hub. *Urban Studies*, 45(10), 2057-2074.
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*Additional Reading Material:*

*See syllabus*

*Grading Scheme:*

*Essay / Project / Final Assignment / Home Exam / Referat 50 %*

*Presentation / Poster Presentation / Lecture/ Seminar / Pro-seminar / Research proposal 8 %*

*Active Participation / Team Assignment 5 %*

*Submission assignments during the semester: Exercises / Essays / Audits / Reports / Forum / Simulation / others 15 %*

*Personal Guide / Tutor / Team Evaluation 10 %*

*Presentation / Poster Presentation / Lecture 12 %*

*Additional information:*

*See moodle for the most current version of the syllabus.*