The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

The development of the Halakha and the Jewish thought in the Mishnah and Talmud period - 7113

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: talmud & halacha

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Ein Karem

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Course/Module description:
  Study of selected subjects that exemplify the development of the Halakhah and the Jewish thought in the Mishnah and Talmud period.

Course/Module aims:
  Presentation of the 'Rabbinic Revolution' and the vitality of the Halakhah and the Jewish thought during the 1-6 centuries A.D.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:
  Elementary recognition of basic Talmudic books; Recognition elementary factors in the fashioning of the Jewish Halakhah; Acquisition of primary tools to reading Talmudic sources by philological and historical methods.

Attendance requirements(%):
  80

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Study of selected subjects by learning sources from the literature of the Mishnah, the Tosefta, the Tannaitic Midrashim and the Talmuds.

Course/Module Content:
  General description of the Jewish ancient literature after the Biblical period; Judicial executions; Cancellation of the capital punishment; From temple to synagogue; The Development of the regular prayers; The relation between redemption of Israel and the universal prophesy; The Relation to the Gentile; From prophet to sage; Strengthening the value of Talmud Torah; the relation to the controversy.

Required Reading:
 2-3 scientific articles including together 40-50 pages.

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:
End of year written/oral examination 85 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 15 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 0 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: