

# MODERN JEWISH AND ISRAEL STUDIES (MJIS)

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## MJIS 204W The Stories of Judaism (W) 3 Units GE, USD, W

**Typically Offered:** Fall only

This course introduces students to the beliefs and practices of Judaism and the experiences of Jews in history through the lens of scriptural and literary narratives. The course surveys biblical narratives, Rabbinic and Hasidic stories, and modern works by writers such as Sholem Aleichem, Franz Kafka, Isaac Babel, S. Y. Agnon, and Cynthia Ozick. 3 hours discussion. (005860)

**General Education:** Humanities (C2)

**Cross listing(s):** RELS 204W

**Grade Basis:** Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

**Course Attributes:** Lower Division; U.S. Diversity; Writing Course

## MJIS 205 Antisemitism and Islamophobia 3 Units GE, USD

**Typically Offered:** Spring only

This course traces the interrelated historical development of anti-Jewish and anti-Muslim persecution. It explores accusations against Jews arising in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome as well as under Christian and Muslim rule, together with the development of modern racial theories about Jews, political forms of anti-Jewish hatred, the Holocaust, and enduring myths of Jewish conspiracies. It also investigates the idea of a "clash of civilizations," the impact of the Crusades, colonialism, and Islamic resurgence, and the treatment and persecution of Muslim minorities in Western Europe, Russia, Bosnia, China, Israel, Myanmar, India, and the United States. 3 hours discussion. (020675)

**General Education:** Humanities (C2)

**Cross listing(s):** RELS 205

**Grade Basis:** Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

**Course Attributes:** Lower Division; U.S. Diversity

## MJIS 398 Special Topics 1-3 Units

**Prerequisite:** Department permission.

**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours lecture. (005863)

**Grade Basis:** Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course more than once

**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

## MJIS 399 Special Problems 1-3 Units

**Prerequisite:** Faculty permission.

**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 9 hours supervision. (005864)

**Grade Basis:** Credit/No Credit

**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

## MJIS 489 Internship 1-3 Units

**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course is an internship offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register with a supervising faculty member. 9 hours supervision. (005866)

**Grade Basis:** Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 15 units

**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

## MJIS 498 Special Topics 1-3 Units

**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This is a special topics course offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically, topics are offered on a one-time-only basis. Topics vary from term to term and from section to section. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours lecture. (005867)

**Grade Basis:** Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course more than once

**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

## MJIS 598 Special Topics 1-3 Units

**Prerequisite:** Department permission.

**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours lecture. (020151)

**Grade Basis:** Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course more than once

**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

## MJIS 697 Independent Study 1-3 Units

**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

6 hours supervision. (020052)

**Grade Basis:** Report in Progress: Graded

**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division