

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: JS/RS3450

Course Number and Section:

JEWISH

3450F 550

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Course Description:

This reading course will examine the impact of the Holocaust (1938-45) on Judaism in terms of its philosophy-theology, subsequent placement in Western society and effect that the Holocaust has had on Western and Global society. The course will examine (1) the historical-social context of anti-Semitism and its relation to Christianity (and Islam) and the rise of National Socialism; (2) investigate Jewish (and other faiths) responses to theology, theodicy and ethics after the Holocaust; (3) and, then look at the role of the Holocaust in Jewish and non-Jewish social-political structures after 1945. The learning objectives of each week are found in the units themselves on Brightspace.

Learning Outcomes:

Students will learn the shift of the Holocaust in Judaism and how discourse on it from accounts to theologies change and provide identity.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

1. Dorff and Newman, Contemporary Jewish Theology: A Reader (OUP, 1999, ISBN 13-978-0-19-511467)
2. Katz et al, Wrestling with God, (OUP, 2007, 978-0-19-530015

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Annotated bibliography		10
Final Essay		30
Attendance		10
Participation two short summative papers		20
Seminar		30

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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