COURSE DETAIL

JEWISH LIFE IN CENTRAL EUROPE

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Free University of Berlin

Program(s)

European Studies

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

German Comparative Literature

UCEAP Course Number

109

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

JEWISH LIFE IN CENTRAL EUROPE

UCEAP Transcript Title

JEWISH LIFE CEN EUR

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course introduces and discusses canonic texts by European-Jewish authors from Moses Mendelssohn to Paul Celan. It thus gives an extensive overview of German-Jewish culture since the late eighteenth century. Every class session starts off with a contextualization of the historic circumstances in which each text was created. In this part, the wider picture of German-Jewish culture and history is developed, whereas in the second section of each class session, reading assignments are discussed in greater detail. Here, the class concentrates on one or two exemplary readings that the students prepares and presents. These literary readings constitute the core interest of each session, this course being situated in the field of cultural studies. Poetic and philosophical texts are not read for their own sake but in order to shed light on everyday life in Central Europe.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

FU-BEST 25

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