

COURSE DETAIL

EUROPEAN JEWS AND THE 'ORIENT'

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

King's College London

Program(s)

King's College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Religious Studies History European Studies

UCEAP Course Number

125

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

EUROPEAN JEWS AND THE 'ORIENT'

UCEAP Transcript Title

EUROPN JEWS&ORIENT

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course examines the important role of British authors in negotiations on the meanings of “East” and “West” in Jewish and global contexts. It addresses the following questions: What is a diaspora? What is “Orientalism”? How did the notions of “Europe” and the “Orient” emerge, and how did European Jews take them up and transform them to define their place among European nation states and in the Jewish diaspora? How do Jews and the “Orient” figure in new approaches to Religious Studies in a post-secular world? The course explores the various ways European Jews responded to the powerful idea of a “Jewish Orient”, and how their responses had a profound impact on how they understood their presence in Europe, their history and future as a nation (Zionism), and their religious commitments.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

6AAT3052

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Host Institution Campus

King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Theology & Religious Studies

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