COURSE DETAIL

JEWISH REMIGRATION TO THE GDR: IN BETWEEN SOCIALIST UTOPIA AND POLITICAL DISAPPOINTMENT

Country
Germany

Host Institution
Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)
Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Sociology History

UCEAP Course Number
161

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
JEWISH REMIGRATION TO THE GDR: IN BETWEEN SOCIALIST UTOPIA AND POLITICAL DISAPPOINTMENT

UCEAP Transcript Title
JEWISH REMIGRATION

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

The history of the Jewish people in East Germany has become a focus of interest in the last few years. This seminar focuses on the perspective of Jewish returners, both prominent and not and focuses on a series of questions and topics: The catastrophe of the Holocaust causes a great many questions about the various lifestyles of East German Jews: What persuaded them after the Holocaust to return to Germany? Which hopes and expectations did this new community have? And to what extent did return to Germany mean the immigration into a socialist utopia, which was a reaction to the atrocities of the past and promised a future and foothold for returnees? But with hope and expectations often comes disappointment: How was the East German antisemitism, both private and occasionally also public, experienced, and what did it mean for returnees; how did they perceive East German evasion surrounding discussion of and responsibility for the Holocaust? The course explores these themes through autobiographical texts and scientific secondary literature.

Language(s) of Instruction
German

Host Institution Course Number
532832

Host Institution Course Title
JÜDISCHE REMIGRATION IN DIE DDR. ZWISCHEN SOZIALISTISCHER UTOPIE UND POLITISCHER ENTTÄUSCHUNG

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