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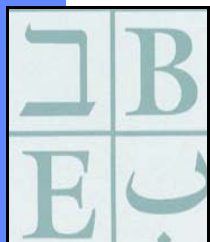
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Academy for Adult Interfaith Studies



- ◆ *What is Zionism?*
- ◆ *The Jewish Context of Jesus*
- ◆ *The Jewish People's Court*
- ◆ *Introduction to Biblical Hebrew*
- ◆ *Bless Me Too!: Family Dynamics in the Book of Genesis* **
- ◆ *The Devil You Say: A Brief Look at Demons in the Bible and Related Writings*

** This class offered on site and also as an internet class

The Academy for Adult Interfaith Studies of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

- A wide variety of non-credit courses in religious studies for the adult learner is offered.
- Learn in a relaxed setting with men and women of different faiths and backgrounds, with a shared desire to explore areas of religion in a spirit of free inquiry
- Instructors are some of the most gifted scholars in the Greater Cincinnati community
- The courses vary in length depending on the course material
- **The class fee is \$60 (except the language class is \$80 plus textbook)**
- Skirball Museum Cincinnati members and ILR members receive a 10% discount
- A limited number of scholarships are available based on need
- Payment must be received before classes begin
- Refund of class fee only during the first week of class



The Academy for Adult Interfaith Studies and HUC-JIR gratefully acknowledges the support of the Jewish Federation of Cincinnati.

Fall 2006 Faculty

John David Brolley is the Director of Undergraduate Studies for the University of Cincinnati's Judaic Studies Department. He is completing his PhD in Semitics at HUC-JIR, and his dissertation is a critical edition of several hundred Syriac magic charms in Harvard University's Houghton Library.

Noah Chertkoff is a fourth-year rabbinical student at HUC-JIR. Noah's past work experiences are with the Ministers of Immigration/Citizenship and Customs/Revenue in Canada and as the National Social Action Coordinator in Canada for the Union for Reform Judaism.

Dr. Michael J. Cook is Professor of Intertestamental and Early Christian Literatures, and holds the Sol and Arlene Bronstein Professorship in Judaeo-Christian Studies, HUC-JIR/Cincinnati. Dr. Cook's specialty is the New Testament and he has extensive expertise in the field of Jewish-Christian relations.

Rabbi Kari Hofmaister was ordained by HUC-JIR in Cincinnati in 2004 and now serves Temple as rabbi of Beth Shalom of Middletown, Ohio. She is also pursuing a PhD in Jewish Thought at HUC-JIR, with a particular interest in the works of Abraham Joshua Heschel.

Jennifer Quast is a PhD candidate at HUC-JIR, majoring in Comparative Semitics. She is currently working on her dissertation, which focuses on methods of teaching Biblical Hebrew.

Michael Satz is a fifth-year rabbinical student at HUC-JIR. He is currently writing his rabbinical thesis on the history of the Association of Reform Zionists of America. Michael was recently married to Janice Elster, also a fifth-year student.

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What is Zionism?

Michael Satz

We will explore this hot topic through a variety of lenses including political Zionism, cultural Zionism, and religious Zionism, through the personalities and philosophies of Herzl, Ahad Ha'am, and Jabotinsky. We will also discuss current events and issues in Israel and contextualize these modern issues in terms of what we have learned about classical Zionism.

The Jewish Context of Jesus

Dr. Michael Cook

This course will identify what New Testament readers need to know about the Temple, Sanhedrin, and synagogue; the scribes, Pharisees, chief priests, Sadducees, Herodians, and activists. Are the Essenes relevant even though unmentioned? Who were apocalypticists? What can we surmise about each Gospel writer from the way he uses these motifs?

The Jewish People's Court

Noah Chertkoff

How can traditional sources help us to formulate our beliefs? We will discuss challenging issues such as stem cell research, abortion, preemptive war, end of life decisions, and the Jewish response to torture. We will address these important issues through the framework of Jewish law, Torah, Talmud, and Reform responsa. International law will be used as a comparative source.

Intro to Biblical Hebrew

Jennifer Quast

This class is designed for beginners with little or no prior knowledge of Hebrew. Students will be introduced to the alphabet and some basic vocabulary and grammar, which will allow them to read the Biblical text in the original language.

*Bless Me Too! Family Dynamics in the Book of Genesis**

Rabbi Kari Hofmaister

Bless me too!: Family Dynamics in the Book of Genesis will review the narratives of the three patriarchs - Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob - interesting patterns of family behavior emerge. A father's preferential treatment nearly leads to murder and a brother who was abandoned for dead learns how to truly forgive. This course will look at how our narratives -- the stories we tell about ourselves and about our families, define who we are.

**Additionally Offered as Internet Class*

The Devil You Say: A Brief Look at Demons in the Bible

John Brolley

The Devil You Say: A Brief Look at Demons in the Bible and Related Writings, is a course that will discuss the figure of the demon, both in biblical literature and in writings that may have influenced or may have been influenced by the bible. We will examine ancient incantations and charms, epic Canaanite myths, and the long-developed traditions about Lilith and Satan.

- Day: Monday
- Dates: Oct 23, 30, Nov 6, 13, 27, Dec 4
- Time: 5:00-6:30pm
- Location: Mayerson Auditorium

- Day: Tuesday
- Dates: Oct 17, 24, Nov 7, 14
- Time: 4:30-6:00pm
- Location: Mayerson Auditorium

- Day: Tuesday
- Dates: Oct 17, 24, Nov 7, 14, 28, Dec 5
- Time: 6:30-8:00pm
- Location: Mayerson Auditorium

- Day: Wednesday
- Dates: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 15, 29, Dec 6, 13
- Time: 6:00-8:00pm
- Location: Classroom #4 Herrman Learning Center

- Day: Thursday
- Dates: Nov 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec 7, 14
- Time: 6:00-7:30pm
- The internet class is posted at 4:30pm EST
- Location: Mayerson Auditorium

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- Dates: Nov 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec 7, 14
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| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Jewish People's Court</i> | Tues. | 6:30 pm | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Intro to Biblical Hebrew</i> | | 6:00 pm | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Bless Me Too!</i> | | 6:00 pm | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Bless Me Too! Internet Class</i> | Thurs. | 4:30 pm | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Devil You Say</i> | | | \$60 |

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