HANDBOOK

Jewish Studies Specialization

for MA and PhD students in the

Department of History, Department of Medieval Studies,
Cultural Heritage Studies Program, and Nationalism
Studies Program

2022-2023
Dear Students,

Welcome to Central European University. The Jewish Studies Project was established at CEU Budapest in 1996 and is now entering its twenty-seventh year, active on two campuses (Budapest and Vienna), under the direction of András Kovács, professor in the Nationalism Studies Program.

Under the aegis of the Jewish Studies Project, we are happy to offer a specialization in Jewish Studies for MA and PhD students in the Department of History, the Department of Medieval Studies, the Cultural Heritage Studies Program and the Nationalism Studies Program. The Jewish Studies specialization is available in the 1-year and 2-year MA programs and requires the completion of a certain number of course credits in the Jewish Studies classes listed below. All credits earned in these classes are also accepted as elective credits by the home department or program. The credit requirements for formal recognition of having completed the Jewish Studies specialization are as follows:

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<th>One-year MA programs of the Department of History, Department of Medieval Studies, and Nationalism Studies Program.</th>
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<td>12 classroom credits from Jewish Studies courses</td>
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<th>Two-year MA programs of the Department of History, Department of Medieval Studies, Cultural Heritage Studies Program and Nationalism Studies Program</th>
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<td>1 CEU credits = 2 ECTS</td>
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<td>20 classroom credits from Jewish Studies courses</td>
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For those wishing to complete the specialization, the following courses are mandatory:

**Problems and Paradigms in Jewish History** (Fall Semester, 2 CEU credits)

**Jews and the City** (Winter Semester, 2 CEU credits)

**Jews in East Central European Communist Systems** (Winter Semester, 2 CEU credits)

Students can compete for **Jewish Studies Research Support Grants**, which cover research-related costs (including travel). All students specializing in Jewish Studies are strongly encouraged to apply for these grants.

We would also like to inform you that the **Jewish Studies Lecture Series** will be entering its twenty-seventh year. Throughout the academic year, well-known scholars Europe, Israel
and America will give lectures on Jewish topics. The lecturers address various topics in Jewish history, philosophy, sociology, religion, culture, and Jewish/Gentile relationships. Attendance at these lectures is mandatory for all Jewish Studies students.

Each year since 2011, normally in spring, we organize a *Jewish Studies Field Trip* together with Jewish Studies students from ELTE (Budapest) and Palacky University (Olomouc, Czech Republic). In past years, we have organized trips in Slovakia, Hungary, Austria, Romania, Ukraine, Croatia, and Serbia, and we are currently planning this year’s field trip. All Jewish Studies students receive financial support for this trip. (Due to Covid-19, we were unable to organize the field trip in the past two years, but we’re hoping to organize a field trip in Spring 2023. We will also organize walking tours of Jewish sites in Vienna.)
Jewish Studies Courses, 2022-2023

Fall Term

Szonja Komoróczy
Problems and Paradigms in Jewish History
Mandatory for Jewish Studies students
2 CEU Credits

Michael Miller
Jews and the City
Mandatory for Jewish Studies students
2 CEU credits

Szonja Komoróczy
Modern Hebrew Beginner I
*3 CEU Credits

Szonja Komoróczy
Yiddish Beginner I
*3 CEU Credits

Winter Term

Ines Koeltzsch
Jewish Migrants and Refugees in Modern Times
2 CEU Credits

Elana Shapira
Nationalism and Modernity in Central Europe around 1900
2 CEU Credits

Michael Miller and Angéla Kóczé
Jews and Roma in Comparative Perspective
2 CEU Credits

András Kovács
Jews in East Central European Communist Systems
Mandatory for Jewish Studies students
2 CEU Credits

Hanoch Ben-Yami / Michael Miller
Circumcision (University-wide Course)
2 CEU Credits

Szonja Komoróczy
Modern Hebrew Beginner II
*3 CEU Credits
Szonja Komoróczy
Modern Hebrew Intermediate II
*3 CEU Credits

Szonja Komoróczy
Yiddish Beginner II
*3 CEU Credits

Szonja Komoróczy
Yiddish Intermediate II
*3 CEU Credits

* Hebrew/Yiddish courses are 3 CEU credits, but Jewish Studies Program can accept only 2 credits / term out of language courses.
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