January Travel Course
2014
Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Israel/Palestine

This 5- or 6-credit sequence has two parts. The first will prepare students in the Fall Semester to spend the January term at Tantur Ecumenical Institute outside of Jerusalem. The goal is to explore Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in the current context of the political, military, and social realities of Israel and the Palestinian territories. Films, trips, guest lectures, and readings and writing on these will expose students to the interfaces and points of tension among the three great Abrahamic traditions on land that they all claim as their spiritual and in some cases legal patrimony. Fall Semester, 2013-2014 and January Term; Ms. Charr.

TH3200cr Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Israel/Palestine
Judaism, Christianity, and Islam strive with one another theologically, culturally, politically, and in the Middle East geographically. By turns, each later tradition has sought to triumph over those that came before by claiming that its revelation is definitive. At a time of acute religious and political turmoil among adherents of these traditions in Israel/Palestine, it is important that Christians understand Judaism and Islam on their own terms and in the context of the political interaction among adherents of all three traditions in that region. This course will both inform students of the historical, theological and cultural tensions and continuities among the traditions and prepare for the travel course trip to Jerusalem in January 2014.

• This course fulfills the general distribution requirement in theology.
• TH3200cr may be taken either for a letter grade or pass/D/fail; it can be taken as a stand-alone course or as part of the two-course sequence.
• 3 credits.
Fall Semester, 2013-2014; Ms. Charry

TH3201cr Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Israel/Palestine – Travel Course
The course will take students to Tantur Ecumenical Institute outside of Jerusalem to explore Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in the context of the Middle East. Classes, visits to holy sites, worship, lectures, and informal conversation will take expose students to the interfaces and points of tension among these great traditions. Students must complete an application process. Travel dates: depart January 5 (arrive January 6); depart January 24 and arrive January 24).

• Enrollment is limited to twenty students.
• Prerequisite: TH3200cr.
• 2 or 3 credits.
• TH 3201cr is offered pass/D/fail only.
January Term, 2013-2014; Ms. Charr

Financial arrangements: See Travel Application Form for information.

Application: See Travel Application Form for information.