



Course syllabus

Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Department of Cultural Sciences

1RK003 Judendom och islam, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Judaism and Islam, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Religious Studies

Subject Group

Religious Studies

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G1N

Date of Ratification

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2014

Prerequisites

NO VALUE DEFINED

Objectives

After completing the course, the student should be able to:

- from a scientific critical point of view generally account for basic concepts, central texts, prominent religious figures, dogmas, institutions and rituals in history and present times within Judaism and Islam;
- in speech and writing show an awareness of the diversity of religious manifestations and historical development within Judaism and Islam in history and present times;
- analyse parts of religious documents and discuss their application today;
- discuss and assess works of fiction and journalistic and popular works connected to the content of the course;
- independently identify a clearly delineated thematic area for specialisation within Judaism or Islam and produce a written report using several sources.

Content

The course provides a general overview of the origins of Judaism and Islam and their historical developments until today. Theological ideas, institutions and rituals are discussed. Changes in religious traditions and institutions are analysed. The diversity and variation of the religions are specifically accentuated.

The teacher will inform the students about compulsory parts of the teaching.

Type of Instruction

Teaching is in the form of lectures, seminars, group work and educational visits.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG).

The course is examined through

1. Room examination.
2. Active participation in seminars.
3. Contributions to discussion fora on topics indicated by the teacher in the online study environment of the course. The contributions are graded.
4. Participation in discussion fora regarding additional literature.
5. An individual specialisation assignment.

In order to receive the grade of Pass, the intended learning outcomes must be achieved. A retake examination is provided within six weeks (within the framework of regular semesters).

Course Evaluation

At the end of the course, a course evaluation is conducted and compiled into a report, which is made available to students. The report is presented to institutional bodies and the programme council concerned, and is archived by the institution responsible for the course.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Literature

Required Reading

Groth, Bente. *Judendomen. Kultur, historia, tradition*. Natur & Kultur. 344 p. Latest edition.

Hjärpe, Jan. (ed.) *99 frågor om islam och något färre svar* Leopard. 173 p. Latest edition.

Hjärpe, Jan. *Islam – lära och livsmönster*. Norstedts Förlag. 136 p. Latest edition.

Otterbeck, Jonas. *Samtidsislam: unga muslimer i Malmö och Köpenhamn*, Carlsson. 229 p. Latest edition.

Svanberg, Ingvar & David Westerlund (eds.) *Religion i Sverige*. Dialogos. Latest edition (in selection, ca 40 p)

Westerlund, David. *Islam eller kristendom?: nutida polemik och konflikter bland kristna och muslimer*, 1st ed., Dialogos, 159 p. Latest edition.

Documents

Bibel 2000. *Bibelkommissionens översättning*. Liber (or other publisher). Latest edition. Online: bibeln.se.

Koranens budskap. M.K Bernströms översättning. Proprius förlag AB. Latest edition.

Online:

www.koranensbudskap.se

Works of fiction/popular literature for discussion

Works of fiction (or the equivalent) are chosen in consultation with the teacher.

Articles provided by the teacher.