



Course syllabus

Faculty of Arts and Humanities
Department of Cultural Sciences

1RK006 Judendom och islam, 6 högskolepoäng
Judaism and Islam, 6 credits

Main field of study

Religious Studies

Subject Group

Religious Studies

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

GIN

Date of Ratification

Approved 2011-12-13

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2015

Prerequisites

General entry requirements.

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.

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 delivered 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.

In order to receive the grade of Pass, the intended learning outcomes must be achieved. For students who do not pass the first examinations, retake examinations are provided in accordance with local regulations at the university.

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

Required reading

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

Olsson, Susanne & Simon Sorgenfrei. *Islam: en religionsvetenskaplig introduktion*. Liber. The latest edition.

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

Documents

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

Koranens budskap. M.K Bernström's translation. Proprius förlag AB. The latest edition. Online: www.koranensbudskap.se

Works of fiction/popular literature for discussion

Froman, Ingmari *Islam, brudar och paljetter*, Ordfront, 209 p. The latest edition.

Solomin, Nina. *OK, amen. Om kärlek och fiendlighet i chassidernas New York*. Wahlström & Widstrand. 325 p. The latest edition.

Articles provided by the teacher.