



COURSE UNIT (MODULE) DESCRIPTION

Course unit (module) title	Code
Rethinking Antisemitism: the influence of the past on the presents	

Lecturer(s)	Department(s) where the course unit (module) is delivered
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Study cycle	Type of the course unit (module)
Bachelor	Elective

Mode of delivery	Period when the course unit (module) is delivered	Language(s) of instruction
Face to face	Spring	Lithuanian

Requirements for students	
Prerequisites: None	Additional requirements (if any): None

Course (module) volume in credits	Total student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours
5	132	53	81

Purpose of the course unit (module): programme competences to be developed		
<p>The aim of this course is to provide the students with basic knowledge of Antisemitism history from beginning of phenomenon till present days, to develop skills to interpret and contextualize Antisemitism cases, to understand reasons and outcomes of Antisemitism spreading, changing Antisemitism ideas and forms in the different processes of social development. During this course students are taught about the main events, focal phenomena and key notions of Antisemitism, try to recognise, identify and explain cases of different form of Antisemitism. Holocaust and post-Holocaust situation of the Jews in Lithuania (Soviet period and current state).</p>		
Learning outcomes of the course unit (module)	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
Have Knowledge in Antisemitism history, dynamic of phenomenon	Lectures	Test, seminars/ discussions

19. Seminar (discussion and two presentation of group of students): Creation of Tolerance society. Evaluation of Legal situation (EU and Lithuania) and education system (case of Lithuania)										Individual work, oral presentation
20. Transformation and adaptation of stereotypes and myths, changing forms of Anti-semitism thru ages and social-systems. Summarizing of situation in historical times.										Test
21. Memorialisation of Holocaust as impulse to antisemitism. (How evaluate the Heroes of Nation - case of partisan of Independent Lithuania; living and using of Jewish property)										Test
22. Antisemitism and Jewish heritage in Central and East Europe - attitude to Jewish heritage in societies comparison view on post-holocaust / soviet regime situation and contemporary Lithuanian society.										Test
23. Antisemitism in every –day life: analysis of most resonansible cases in Lithuania. How to evaluate										Test
24. Seminar (discussion and one presentation of group of students): People comments in internet media: recognition and evaluation of stereotypes. How to prevent spreading/ functioning of Antisemitism in the society.										Individual work, oral presentation
25 Consultation										Preparation for Test
26 Test										
Total										

Assessment strategy	Weight, %	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Seminars/ discussion	20	During semester	
Test	40	End of the semester	Ability to demonstrate knowledge in Antisemitism History, critically assess the topics, skills of individual work: critical analysis of sources and historiography, ability to present the topic to the audience, critical thinking. Understanding of process development and developing the skills to recognise different forms of Antisemitism.
Presentation (prepared in groups and presented in the seminars)	40	End of the semester	

Author	Year of publication	Title	Issue of a periodical or volume of a publication	Publishing place and house or web link
Compulsory reading				
Moshe Rosman	2007	Hybrid with What? The Relationship between Jewish Culture and Other People's Cultures	How Jewish is Jewish History?	Oxford: Littman library of Jewish Civilization
Ezra Mendelsohn	1983	Lithuania (pages 213-239)	The Jews of East Central Europe Between the World Wars	Bloomington : Indiana University Press
Šarūnas Liekis	2003		Šarūnas Liekis, A State Within a State?: Jewish Autonomy in Lithuania 1918-1925	Vilnius: Versus Aureus
Zvi Gitelman	2001	Soviet Jews, 1967-1987, To reform, conform, or leave? (pages 174-195)	in: A Century of Ambivalence. The Jews of Russia and the Soviet Union, 1881 to the present	Bloomington: Indiana University Press
Saulius Sužiedėlis, Šarūnas Liekis	2013	Conflicting Memories. Reception of the Holocaust in Lithuania (319-351)	Bringing the Dark Past to Light: The Reception of the Holocaust in Postcommunist Europe	University of Nebraska Press
Mordechai Zalkin	2013	Lithuanian Jewry and the Concept of 'East European Jewry'	Polin, volume 25, pages 57-70.	Oxford: Littman library of Jewish Civilization
Gershon Hundert	2004	The Community (pages 79-98)	Jews in Poland-Lithuania in the Eighteenth Century: A Genealogy of Modernity	University of California Press
Darius Staliūnas	2013	Lithuanian Antisemitism in the Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries	<i>Polin: Studies in Polish Jewry</i> , vol. 25: <i>Jews in the former Grand Duchy of Lithuania since 1772</i> , p. 135-149	Oxford: Littman library of Jewish Civilization
John D. Klier	1992	"The Pogrom Paradigm in	<i>Pogroms: Anti-Jewish Violence in Modern Russian History</i> , eds.	Cambridge University Press,

		Russian History.”	John D. Klier and Schlomo Lambroza, Cambridge: 1992, pp. 13–38.	
Richter, Klaus	2012	“Antisemitism, ‘Economic Emancipation’ and the Lithuanian Cooperative Movement before World War I.”	<i>Quest: Issues in Contemporary Jewish History; Journal of Fondazione CDEC</i> , July 3, 2012.	www.quest-cdec journal.it/focus.php?id=300
Zalkin, Mordechai	2010	“Antisemitism in Lithuania.”	<i>Antisemitism in Eastern Europe: History and Present in Comparison</i> , eds. Hans-Christian Petersen and Samuel Salzborn, Frankfurt am Main: 2010, pp. 135–170.	Peter Lang
Darius Staliūnas	2013	“How Insulted Religious Feelings Turned into Pogroms: Lithuania in 1900,”	<i>East European Jewish Affairs</i> 42, no. 2 (2013): 119–142	
Optional reading				
Jurgita Verbickienė	2008	Blood libel in a multi-confessional society: the case of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania	East European Jewish Affairs, 38,2 (2008) pages 201-209	Routledge Press
Israel Bartal	2005	The Jews of Eastern Europe, 177–1881		Philadelphia : University of Pennsylvania Press
Saulius Sužiedėlis	2004	The Historical Sources for Antisemitism in Lithuania and Jewish-Lithuanian Relation during the 1930s	The Vanished World of Lithuanian Jews / Ed. A. Nikžentaitis, S. Schreiner, D. Staliūnas. Amsterdam, p. 119–154	New York, NY: Rodopi