

Jewish Studies

Spring 2019 Course Offerings—Lehigh University

JST, REL 081-010 Jewish Mysticism (HU)

CRN 19117 / 4 credits / M, W 8:45 - 10:00 a.m. / Prof. Lachter

This course will examine both the history and the central texts and ideas of the Jewish mystical tradition. We will read a broad range of texts, including the ancient Sefer Yetzirah or Book of Creation, the Zohar, the works of Isaac Luria and his disciples, and the writings of some of the 18th and 19th century Hasidic rabbis. We will also explore the contemporary emergence of Kabbalah and the activities of the Kabbalah Center in contemporary America.

JST, REL 121-010 Sources for the Life of Jesus: the Jewish and Christian Context (HU) C

CRN 18886 / 4 credits / T, R 1:10 - 2:25 p.m. / Prof. Wright

Ancient sources that claim to provide information about Jesus of Nazareth. Approaches taken to Jesus' life and career; early Christian interpretations of the significance of Jesus; methodology in assessing evidence for the historical Jesus and his message.

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