



STUDY IN Israel

RELI 2040: Religions of the Middle East: Judaism, Christianity and Islam in Israel 3 credit hours [CH, G]

Course Description

This course introduces students to the religions, history and contemporary dynamics of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Students will visit historic and sacred sites and meet with contemporary leaders in Jerusalem, Galilee, and throughout Israel. Visits and lectures analyze the origins and development of three major religions that arose in the Middle East: Judaism, Christianity and Islam, as well as traditions such as Baha'i and LDS with a presence in Israel. The course will spend time in Jerusalem, the eternal city, and mark the 100th anniversary of Tel Aviv. Travel in Israel provides an outstanding opportunity to understand the basic principles, historical development, political and cultural context, and structure of each religion and to encounter religious festivals and observances. Students will prepare for this journey with 15 hours of intensive pre-travel seminars, readings and research in Wyoming (also available on line). Two weeks of travel; an optional third week (at extra cost) to visit more historic, cultural, and tourist sites.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

(Including requirements and registration)

<http://www.uwyo.edu/sward/Spring2009/ISRAEL.htm>

Tentative dates: May 18-21 (Wyoming),
May 24-June 7 (travel)
June 7-14 (optional third week)

Estimated Cost: \$3600 + tuition

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Spend two weeks in Israel exploring the ancient cities like Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and Galilee; learn first-hand about modern Israeli culture and religious perspectives; and earn credit while having fun!

Preliminary meeting:

January, 20 2009 at 7 p.m. at Beta House