

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

YIDB06, Yiddisch: Jewish Cultural Responses to the Holocaust, 15 credits

Jiddisch: Judiska kulturella reaktioner på förintelsen, 15 högskolepoäng First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2015-02-04 to be valid from 2015-02-04, spring semester 2015.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can normally be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish and English

The course is normally taught in English, but can also be taught in Swedish, provided there is a special agreement between the lecturer/s and the students. Such an agreement requires that all lecturers and all students are proficient in Swedish. Noncompulsory material in Yiddish may be included.

Main field of studies Depth of study relative to the degree

requirements

Yiddish G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary

level entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- account for central lines of development in Jewish memory culture since World War II
- explain the specific position of Yiddish culture in Jewish memory culture
- provide a general description of basic manifestations of historical culture associated with the memory of the Holocaust in Jewish historical culture in general and Yiddish culture in particular
- account for the most important methodological perspectives applied to this field of study

Competence and skills

- discuss and orally present different traditions and attitudes to the memory of the Holocaust within different Jewish historical cultures and Yiddish culture in particular
- discuss the significance of the most important history culture manifestations/works for Jewish memory culture
- discuss theoretical and methodological problems in the area in speech and writing

Judgement and approach

- critically analyse and discuss the role played by the memory of the Holocaust within Yiddish culture
- critically analyse and discuss the existential, moral, ideological, commercial and scientific aspects of this memory complex
- make research ethics assessments of the significance of the memory of the Holocaust for moral, ethical, ideological and other values

Course content

The course provides students with an overview of the fundamental features of the Jewish memory of the Holocaust focusing on the cultural manifestations of this memory in Europe (Western Europe, Central Europe and the former Soviet Union), USA and Israel. Among the topics highlighted are important legal proceedings in which some of the main Nazi war criminals were put on trial, important products of history culture such as films, books, museums and memorials, and the memory of younger generations, such as survivors' children and grandchildren who were not directly affected by the Holocaust but grew up in the shadow of the trauma.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and 5-6 compulsory seminars.

Assessment

The assessment is based on a take-home exam and 2-3 compulsory seminar assignments.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

To be awarded a grade of Pass, students must pass the take-home exam and submit all the compulsory assignments distributed in the context of the compulsory seminars. To be awarded Pass with Distinction, students must be awarded this grade on the take-home exam.

Entry requirements

General requirements for university studies in Sweden

Further information

- 1. The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
- 2. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree.
- 3. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in YIDB06, Yiddisch: Jewish Cultural Responses to the Holocaust

Applies from V15

1501 Yiddish: Jewish Cultural Responses to the Holocaust, 15,0 hp Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction