Hebrew program Courses – 2014-2015

FALL 2014

**Elementary Modern Hebrew**  
HEBR110 / 501
Ayala Dvoretzky
M T W TH F, 10:30-11:20  
M T W TH F, 11:35-12:25
Introduction to the language of contemporary Israel, both spoken and written. Fundamentals of grammar; extensive practice in speaking, reading, and writing under the guidance of a native speaker. No previous knowledge required.

**Intermediate Modern Hebrew**  
HEBR130 / 502a
Shiri Goren  
T TH, 11:35-12:50  
T TH, 4:00-5:15
Review and continuation of grammatical study leading to a deeper comprehension of style and usage. Focus on selected readings, writing, comprehension, and speaking skills. Prerequisite: HEBR 120 or equivalent.

**Conversational Hebrew: Israeli Media**  
HEBR 159 / 510a / MMES159 / JDST409
Shiri Goren  
T TH, 2:30-3:45
An advanced Hebrew course for students interested in practicing and enhancing conversational skills. The course aims to improve the four language skills while stressing listening comprehension and various forms of discussions including practical situations, online interactions, and content analysis. Prerequisite: HEBR 140 or permission of the instructor.

**Hebrew in a Changing World**  
HEBR160 / G517 / JDST360 01 / MMES 155
Dina Roginsky  
M, W, 1-2:15
Sociological aspects of Modern Hebrew as the language is used in Israel for constructing norms, expectations, and daily experiences. Readings and class discussions address changes in Israeli society and culture at large. Prerequisite: HEBR 140 or instructor’s permission

*Course conducted in Hebrew.*
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**Reading Academic Texts in Modern Hebrew**  HEBR152 / HEBR509/JDST401/JDST689

Dina Roginsky
M, W 2:30-3:45
The course will address the linguistic needs of English-speaking students who would like to be able to read with ease and accuracy contemporary Hebrew-language scholarship in the fields of Judaic studies, Religious studies, History, Political Science, Sociology, Near-Eastern Studies, and other related fields. Particularly, this course will confront reading-comprehension problems through straightforward exposition of the grammar supported by examples from scholarly texts. **Course conducted in Hebrew.**

Prerequisite: Two years of Modern or Biblical Hebrew, or permission of the instructor.

**State and Society in Israel**  NELC 155 01/ NELC 592 / MMES 160/ JDST293/ JDST 785
Dina Roginsky
T, TH 1-2:15
The interplay between state and society in Israel; current Israeli discourse on controversial issues such as civil rights in a Jewish-democratic state, Jewish-Arab relations, right and left politics, orthodoxy, military service, globalization, and multiculturalism. Sociopolitical changes that have taken place in Israel since the establishment of the state led to the reshaping of Israeli Zionist ideology. **Course conducted in English.**

**Spring 2015**

**Elementary Modern Hebrew**  HEBR120 / 501b^U^  
Dina Roginsky
M T W TH F, 10:30-11:20
M T W TH F 11:35-12:25
Introduction to the language of contemporary Israel, both spoken and written. Fundamentals of grammar; extensive practice in speaking, reading, and writing under the guidance of a native speaker. Prerequisite HEBR110 or equivalent

**Intermediate Modern Hebrew**  HEBR140 / 502b^U^  
Ayala Dvoretzky
T, TH 11:35-12:50
T, TH  2:30-3:45
Review and continuation of grammatical study leading to a deeper comprehension of style and usage. Focus on selected readings, writing, comprehension, and speaking skills. Prerequisite: HEBR 130 or equivalent.
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**Israeli Society in Film**   HEBR158 / 505b / JDST305 / MMES 168  
Shiri Goren.  
T TH 11:35-12:50  
Examination of major themes in Israeli society through film, with emphasis on language study. Topics include migration, gender and sexuality, Jewish/Israeli identity, and private and collective memory. Readings in Hebrew and English provide a socio-historical background and bases for class discussion. **Course conducted in Hebrew.**  
Prerequisite: HEBR 140/502 or permission of instructor.

**Advanced Modern Hebrew: Israeli Society**  JDST213 / HEBR150 / MMES150  
Shiri Goren  
T TH 2:30-3:45  
An examination of themes in Israeli society. Materials include newspaper articles, online resources, films, and commercials. Advanced grammatical structures are introduced and practiced. Prerequisite: HEBR 140/502 or permission of instructor.