

SPRING 2019 SCHEDULE

The Oregon Board of Rabbis - Introduction to Judaism

		DATE	TOPIC	RABBI(S)
UNIT ONE		THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AND TIME		
1	A	1/17/2019	Orientation and "What are the Minor Holidays? (Tu BiShvat, Purim, Lag ba'Omer, etc.)" (Tu BiShvat 1/21)	Seidel
2	B	1/24/2019	The Hebrew Calendar	Isaak
3	C	1/31/2019	Shabbat: A Cathedral in Time; Home Traditions and Synagogue Observance	Joseph
4	N	2/7/2019	Life Cycle Events	Stone
5	D	2/14/2019	The Ancient Hebrews: Biblical Period, Earliest History of the Israelite Religion	Mayer
6	E	2/21/2019	Rabbinic Judaism: From Nation to Religion/from Sacrifice to Prayer	Rose
UNIT TWO		THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AND GOD		
7	H	2/28/2019	God & Theology: Covenant & Theodicy	Kosak
8	F	3/7/2019	Halakha and Aggadah; Guides to Jewish Life: Talmud, Commentary, Responsa	Fischer
9	K	3/14/2019	Prayer and Spirituality: Community Worship and Private Communion with God	Barnett
10	I	3/21/2019	The Jewish Home: Practice and Ritual: Kashrut, Mitzvot; Tikkun Olam, Family Traditions (Purim 3/21)	Rose
11	L	3/28/2019	Pesach: The Master Story of Jewish Identity, History and Celebration	Posen
12	J	4/4/2019	Mysticism: Sefirot; Historical Development	Kolodny
UNIT THREE		THE JEWISH COMMUNITY: ONE PEOPLE, MANY PATHS TO IDENTITY		
13	M	4/11/2019	Anti-Semitism: History of Jewish/Christian Relations in Europe and U.S.	Dunsker
		4/18/2019	No Class - Passover (1st Night Seder on April 19)	n/a
		4/25/2019	No Class - Erev 7th Day Passover	n/a
14	G	5/2/2019	Diaspora: Israel: Exile and Return, Communities Throughout the World	Seidel
15	R	5/9/2019	Israel and Zionism	Kosak
16	O	5/16/2019	The American Jewish Community: History, Agencies, Community Relations	Steve Albert, M.Ed.
17	P	5/23/2019	Varieties of Judaism: A Panel Discussion (Lag BaOmer 5/23)	A. Cohen, Isaak, Kolodny, Dunsker
18	Q	5/30/2019	The High Holy Days: History, Observance, Graduation	Donnell