

INTRO TO JUDAISM

SPRING 2026

#	Code	DATE	TOPIC	RABBI(S)	
UNIT ONE		THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AND TIME			
1	B	1/29/2026	The Jewish Calendar	Rutenberg	
2	C	2/5/2026	Shabbat: A Cathedral in Time; Home Traditions and Synagogue Observance	Joseph	
3	D	2/12/2026	Biblical Judaism: History of the Ancient Hebrews & the Israelite Religion	Mayer	
4	E	2/19/2026	Rabbinic Judaism: From Nation to Religion; from Sacrifice to Prayer	Rose	
5	N	2/26/2026	Life Cycle Events	Kapor-Mater	
UNIT TWO		THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AND GOD			
6	H	3/5/2026	God & Theology: Covenant and Theodicy	Oren	
7	K	3/12/2026	Prayer and Spirituality: Community Worship and Private Communion with God	Goldstein	
8	F	3/19/2026	Guides to Jewish Life: Halakha and Aggadah	Spivak	
9	I	3/26/2026	Pesach: The Master Story of Jewish Identity, History and Celebration	Posen	
		4/2/2026	No Class (Passover Day 1)	n/a	
		4/9/2026	No Class (Passover Day 8)	n/a	
10	A	4/16/2026	Tikkun Olam: Jewish Ethics, Social Action and Politics	Cahana	
11	J	4/23/2026	Jewish Mysticism & Kabbalah	Rose	
12	L	4/30/2026	The Jewish Home: Kashrut, Ritual & Family Traditions	Dunsker	
UNIT THREE		THE JEWISH COMMUNITY: ONE PEOPLE, MANY PATHS TO IDENTITY			
13	O	5/7/2026	Israel and Zionism	Cahana	
14	M	5/14/2026	Antisemitism: History of Jewish/Christian Relations	Bitton	
		5/21/2026	No Class (Erev Shavuot)	n/a	
15	P	5/28/2026	Varieties of Judaism: A Panel Discussion	Rose, Mann, Michaelson, Cohen	
16	G	6/4/2026	Diaspora: Jewish Communities Throughout the World	Berg	
17	R	6/11/2026	The American Jewish Community: History, Agencies, Community Relations	Steve Albert	
18	Q	6/18/2026	The High Holy Days: History and Observance	Donnell	

Fall term begins 8/27/26