

Annual Theme: "Rethinking Center and Periphery in the Abrahamic Religions"

Seminar Program - Spring Semester 2022

- 1.3 Prof. Richard Bulliet, Columbia University**
The Farthest Periphery: Islam and Christianity in the Spanish Philippines
* This meeting will be delivered in English via zoom 17:30
- 8.3 Book Event:**
Dr. Uri Z. Shachar, BGU
A Pious Belligerence:
Dialogical Warfare and the Rhetoric of Righteousness in the Crusading Near East
Dr. Luke Yarbrough, University of California Los Angeles
Prof. Iris Shagrir, Open University
Dr. Nicolas Paul, Fordham University
* This meeting will be delivered in English via zoom 17:30
- 15.3 Dr. Bjorn Bentlage, Martin Luther Universität Halle Wittenberg**
Supplementary Centers and the Creation of Sacred Realms in Early Modern Arabic Literature
- 29.3 Book Event:**
Leonardo Cohen, BGU
"Narratives of Suffering, Failure and Martyrdom:
Early Modern Catholicism Confronting the Adversities of History"
Dr. Yuval Givon, BGU
Mauricio Lapchik, BGU
- 12.4 Dr. Sabrina Inowlocki, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven**
From Caesarea to Marseille: The Birth of Christian Literary History through the De uiris illustribus
* This meeting will be delivered in English via zoom 12:15
- 24.4 Frederic Brenner, Artist**
Jewishness - Otherness - Performance - A photographic reflection
* This meeting will be delivered in English via zoom 18:00
- 3.5 Dr. Assaf Tamari, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute**
City of the Kabbalists? Sixteenth-Century Safed as a Center and a Periphery
- 24.5 Prof. Tamar Herzig, Tel-Aviv University**
Jews, Christians, and Converts in Renaissance Italy
* This meeting will be delivered in via zoom 12:15
- 12.6 Book Event:**
Prof. Katell Berthelot, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique
"Jews and Their Roman Rivals: Pagan Rome's Challenge to Israel"
Prof. Seth Schwartz, Columbia University
Prof. Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
* This meeting will be delivered in English via zoom 20:00
- 14.6 Dr. Kanan Kitani, Doshisha University**
The Changing Faces of the Christians in Japan
* This meeting will be delivered in English via zoom 12:15
- 21.6 Prof. Michal Bar-Asher Siegal, BGU**
Modeling Connections between Jews and Christians in the Babylonian Talmud:
Questions of Center and Periphery

11.5 | Conference in BGU:

*The Status of Converts to
Judaism in Jewish Communities
and Jewish Thought*
In partnership with the CNRS

25.5 | Conference in BGU:

Boundaries in Religions
Annual conference of the
Israeli Association for the Study
of Religion

26-29.6 | Conference in Oxford University:

Title TBD:
In Partnership with the
Abrahamic Religions Seminar in
the Faculty of Theology and
Religion, Oxford University



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Fall Semester Seminars Program

- 26.10.21 Prof. Daniella Talmon-Heller, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Greetings and Introduction
Prof. Yoram Bilu, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Center and Periphery in Messianic Chabad
- 9.11.21 Dr. Gil Fishhof, University of Haifa
The Historiography of Crusader Art in the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem (1099-1187): Concepts of Center and Periphery as an Ideologically Biased Framework
* The meeting will be delivered via zoom
- 23.11.21 Prof. Nimrod Hurvitz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Is There a Center? The Hanbalite Ethos of Religious Criticism in Medieval Baghdad
- 7.12.21 Dr. Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma
Rehabilitating Vashti in Feminist Biblical Criticism
* The meeting will be delivered in English and via zoom
- 21.12.21 Ms. Michal Erlich, Tel Aviv University
From Hyper to Local Gurus: Establishing Authority and Sanctity in Guru-Bhakti Communities in the Peripheries of Delhi
- 4.1.22 Dr. Yaniv Fox, Bar-Ilan University
Between Town and Country: Center and Periphery in Early Medieval Saints' Lives

Seminar meetings will be held in Hebrew, once in two weeks, on Tuesdays 12: 15–13: 45, unless stated otherwise. For further details: yuvalgivon@gmail.com | oramir123@gmail.com

In addition, every other week the center's fellows will hold a reading group (same room and hours).

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