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האוניברסיטה העברית בירושלים
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM

What Do You Mean?

Experiencing Culture through Language Joint Online Intensive Course Jerusalem – Berlin (Hebrew – German)

- Orientation meeting: **January 11, 2024**
(4-7 p.m.)
- Introductory event: **January 25, 2024**
(4-7 p.m.)
- Intensive course: **April 2 – 12, 2024**
(between the semesters)
- Open to **undergraduates**
of all disciplines
- **Master students** and **students from other Universities** can apply as well.
(Credit recognition has to be clarified individually with the responsible study coordinator of the corresponding study program)

Course credit FUB
ABV = 5 credits

Course staff
Nadia Fischer,
Dr. Ruth Tobias (FUB)

Chaya Fischer,
Alix Glotz (HUJI)

Lust darauf?





The course is intended **for FUB students with no prior knowledge of Hebrew** and for **HUJI students with no prior knowledge of German**; the language of instruction is partly English.

This **joint online intensive course** offers students from **FUB** and **HUJI** the opportunity to **work in synergy towards further developing intercultural competencies and basic language skills in either Hebrew or German**. The course takes the approach that language and culture are deeply interwoven and, therefore, communication between cultures should be explored and practiced while also beginning to acquire basic language skills and reflect on underlying meaning; at the same time, language courses defined as such do not typically provide the opportunity for direct exchange with members of the target language/culture within the framework of the course itself. Hence, we invite you to join this blended, online module to **work in Tandem with peers** from diverse backgrounds, at both of our universities, in real-time.

Evaluation

Formative assessment throughout, for both (inter)cultural and language learning aspects of the course; submission of a final joint portfolio in mixed groups.

The **contact hours** are composed of three key elements:

- Intercultural sessions (FUB and HUJI students together)
- Language class Hebrew (FUB students) / German (HUJI students)
- Synchronous work (FUB and HUJI students together; (inter)cultural reflection / language training in Tandem)

Course themes include:

- Initial contact and first impressions
- Levels of formality and personal space
- Time
- Gender, age and family settings
- Communication and norms in academic settings
- What only locals know

Registration for students of FU Berlin

Please register by sending an e-mail to katherina.reisner@fu-berlin.de **until January 9, 2024** including a letter of motivation (1 page max.).

Places are limited to allow maximum interaction.