HBRJD-GA 2465 Core Readings in Medieval Jewish History

A survey of landmark modern treatments of medieval Jewish history, concentrating on Western Europe and the Jewish communities of Ashkenaz and Sefarad. In acquiring a grounding in the foundational texts of this field, students will gain a familiarity with the different disciplinary and explanatory approaches adopted by its historians. Exposure to disparate treatments of the available source materials will afford students an opportunity to reflect on their own choices of methodology and approach, as well as on the application of theory to historical narrative.