

## **RLST 135: JERUSALEM (Fall 2015)**

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### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

As a city rich in history and sacred to Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, Jerusalem has had an tremendous impact, far beyond that of most cities, on world history, politics, and the consciousness of billions of people. The course examines the city of Jerusalem, through its history, architecture, the literature written about it, and the ideas associated with it. The analysis of various and often conflicting narratives of Jerusalem will draw on religious texts, historical documents, architecture, and contemporary political debates.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

To describe the basic religious beliefs and practices among Jews, Christians, and Muslims.

To understand the basic history of Jerusalem and the major regional and global events that have influenced its history.

To analyze how religious, ethnic, and political communities have developed claims or connections with Jerusalem through writings, cultural practices, rituals, political institutions, laws, buildings, and monuments.

To critique the debates, both historical and contemporary, over the political and legal status of Jerusalem.

## **COURSE MATERIALS**

### **Required Texts**

Karen Armstrong, *Jerusalem: One City, Three Faiths*

Meron Benvenisti, *City of Stone: The Hidden History of Jerusalem*

Bernard Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem: The Struggle for the Holy City*

### **Electronic Resources (Sakai: Resources | Reference Works)**

Bible: <http://quod.lib.umich.edu/r/rsv/>

Quran: <http://www.usc.edu/org/cmje/religious-texts/quran/>

Encyclopaedia Judaica (page contains links to other useful resources)

Encyclopedia of Islam (page contains links to other useful resources)

### **Documents and Reports (Sakai: Resources | Documents and Reports)**

ACRI, *Policies of Neglect in East Jerusalem* (2012)

Cust, L. G. A., *Status Quo in the Holy Places* (1929)

Ir Amin, *Absentees Against Their Will* (2010)

Lapidoth, Ruth, *Historic Basin* (2010)

Peel Commission, *Report of the Palestine Royal Commission* (1937)

Reiter, Yitzhak, and Lior Lehs, *The Sheikh Jarrah Affair* (2010)

United Nations, UNSCOP Partition Report (1947)

### **Relevant Web Sites**

#### *Basic History and Maps*

Fanack (history, politics, economics, social issues in Middle East and North Africa)

- <https://fanack.com/israel/>
- <https://fanack.com/palestine/>

#### *Governmental Organizations*

State of Israel, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- <http://www.mfa.gov.il/MFA/> (click on: Jerusalem)

Municipality of Jerusalem

- [http://www.jerusalem.muni.il/jer\\_main/defaultnew.asp?lng=2](http://www.jerusalem.muni.il/jer_main/defaultnew.asp?lng=2)

#### *Historical Sources*

Historical Documents

- <https://chronicle.fanack.com/specials/arab-israeli-negotiations/>

Travel accounts

- <http://faculty.colostate-pueblo.edu/beatrice.spade/seminar97/seminar97.html>

Maps (historical and modern)

- <http://maps-of-jerusalem.huji.ac.il/>
- [http://www.bu.edu/mzank/Michael\\_Zank/Jerusalem/maps/](http://www.bu.edu/mzank/Michael_Zank/Jerusalem/maps/)
- <http://www.cmu.ca/faculty/gmatties/MapsofIsraelPalestine.htm>

### *Archival Material*

Israel Antiquities Authority Archives

- <http://www.iaa-archives.org.il/> (under “Choose Site” select Jerusalem)

Palestine Post (published 1935-1950)

- <http://web.nli.org.il/sites/JPress/English/Pages/Palestine-Post.aspx>

Census of Jews Living in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Palestine

- <http://www.montefioreendowment.org.uk/census>

### *Architecture and Art*

Architecture: Images and Publications

- [http://archnet.org/library/places/one-place.jsp?place\\_id=2256](http://archnet.org/library/places/one-place.jsp?place_id=2256)

Virtual Walking Tour of the Haram Al-Sharif

- <http://www.saudiaramcoworld.com/issue/200901/al-haram/tour.htm>

Jerusalem Archaeological Park

- <http://www.archpark.org.il/index.asp>

Jerusalem in 19<sup>th</sup> century art

- [http://coastdaylight.com/prints/old\\_prints.html](http://coastdaylight.com/prints/old_prints.html)

### *Future Planning for Jerusalem*

Jerusalem 2050 (MIT)

- <http://mit.edu/CIS/jerusalem2050/index.html>

Jerusalem: Old City Initiative (University of Windsor)

- <http://www.uwindsor.ca/joci/>

Saya (Architectural, Planning and Design practice)

- Terrestrial Jerusalem Project
  - <http://www.sayarch.com/terrestrial-jerusalem-visual-concept-and-website-2/626/>
- Is Peace Possible?
  - <http://www.sayarch.com/peace-is-possible-visual-concept-and-website/638/>

### *Jerusalem Think Tanks and Advocacy Groups*

Emek Saveh (Archaeology in the Shadow of Conflict): “Emek Shaveh is an organization of archaeologists and community activists focusing on the role of archaeology in Israeli society and in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.”

- <http://www.alt-arch.org/index.php>

Institute of Jerusalem Studies: “The main objective of the Institute of Jerusalem Studies is to produce scholarship in English and Arabic on the city of Jerusalem.”

- <http://www.jerusalemquarterly.org/default.aspx>

Ir Amim: “Ir Amim focuses on Jerusalem within the context of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Ir Amim seeks to render Jerusalem a more viable and equitable city for the Israelis and Palestinians who share it.”

- <http://eng.ir-amim.org.il/>

Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs (JCPA): “The Jerusalem Center has developed a unique model of applied diplomacy that adds a new dimension to the classical model of a research center.”

- <http://www.jcpa.org>

Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies (JIIS): “A think tank for research and ideas on Jerusalem, environmental and innovational policy in Israel, and management of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.”

- <http://www.jiis.org/>

Jerusalem Inter-Cultural Center (JICC): “The Jerusalem Inter-Cultural Center (JICC) aims to assist the city residents, of various identities, in becoming active and responsible partners to the development of their communities.”

- <http://www.jicc.org.il/?CL=ENG>

One Jerusalem: “One Jerusalem is a strong, broad-spanning, non-profit, educational foundation committed to preserving a united Jerusalem, under 100% Israeli sovereignty.”

- <http://onej.org/>

Palestine Academic Society for the Study of International Affairs (PASSIA): “An Arab non-profit institution located in Jerusalem/Al-Quds...(that) seeks to present the Palestinian Question in its national, Arab and international contexts through academic research, dialogue and publication.”

- [http://www.passia.org/jerusalem/facts\\_of\\_today/0\\_facts\\_of\\_today.htm](http://www.passia.org/jerusalem/facts_of_today/0_facts_of_today.htm)

Terrestrial Jerusalem: “An Israeli non-governmental organization that works to identify and track the full spectrum of developments in Jerusalem that could impact either the political process or permanent status options, destabilize the city or spark violence, or create humanitarian crises.”

- <http://t-j.org.il/>

### *Israeli-Palestinian Peace/Rights Organizations*

Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI): “An independent and non-partisan organization, ACRI’s mandate is to ensure Israel’s accountability and respect for human rights, by addressing violations committed by the Israeli authorities in Israel, the Occupied Territories, or elsewhere.”

- <http://www.acri.org.il/en/>

Bimkom: Planners for Planning Rights: “Israeli human rights organization formed in 1999 by a group of professional planners and architects, in order to strengthen democracy and human rights in the field of spatial planning and housing policies.”

- <http://bimkom.org.il/eng/>

B’Tzelem: “The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories was established in February 1989 by a group of prominent academics, attorneys, journalists, and Knesset members.” (See especially: East Jerusalem)

- <http://www.btselem.org/>

Center for Middle East Peace: The Center “works with leaders and policymakers in the United States and the Middle East to help reach a just and comprehensive peace that will bring an end to the Arab-Israeli conflict.”

- <http://centerpeace.org/>

Foundation for Middle East Peace (FMEP): “A nonprofit organization that promotes peace between Israel and Palestine, via two states, that meets the fundamental needs of both peoples.”

- <http://www.fmep.org> (especially Maps | Jerusalem)

Israel Palestine Center for Research and Information (IPCRI): “IPCRI, founded in Jerusalem in 1988, is the only joint Israeli-Palestinian public policy think-tank in the world. It is devoted to developing practical solutions for the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.”

- <http://ipcri.org/httpdocs/IPCRI/Home.html>

Palestinian Centre for Human Rights (PCHR): “PCHR is a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) based in Gaza City. The Centre is a non-profit company, dedicated to protecting human rights, promoting the rule of law and upholding democratic principles in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (OPT).”

- <http://www.pchrgaza.org/portal/en/>

## CLASS TOPICS AND ASSIGNMENTS

1. (9.2) Jerusalem: City of Peace/City of Conflict/City of Complexity  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 1 (pp. 3-21)  
Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, pp. 1-49  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 1-13  
F. E. Peters, "The Holy Places," *City of the Great King*, pp. 37-59 (Sakai)
2. (9.7) Jerusalem in Israelite History and Imagination  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 2-5 (pp. 22-102)  
Passages 1: Jerusalem in Israelite History and Imagination (Sakai)
3. (9.9) Jerusalem in the Persian, Hellenistic, and Roman Periods  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chaps. 6-8 (pp. 103-173)  
Passages 2: Jerusalem in Persian, Hellenistic, and Roman Periods (Sakai)
4. (9.14) No Class
5. (9.16) Jerusalem in Early Jewish Thought  
Passages 3: Jewish Traditions on Jerusalem (Sakai)
6. (9.21) Jerusalem in the Byzantine Period and Early Christian Thought  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chaps. 9-10 (pp. 174-216)  
Paula Fredriksen, "The Holy City in Christian Thought," *City*, pp. 74-92 (Sakai)  
Robert Wilken, "Christian Pilgrimage to the Holy Land," *City*, pp. 117-135 (Sakai)  
Passages 4: Christian Traditions on Jerusalem (Sakai)
7. (9.23) No Class
8. (9.28) Jerusalem in the Arab Period and Early Islamic Thought  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chaps. 11-12 (pp. 216-270)  
Angelika Neuwirth, "The Spiritual Meaning of Jerusalem in Islam," *City*, pp. 93-116 (Sakai)  
Passages 5: Islamic Traditions on Jerusalem (Sakai)  
Visit: <http://www.aramcoworld.com/issue/200901/al-haram/tour.htm>
9. (9.30) Jerusalem During the Crusades  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 13 (pp. 271-294)  
Bernard Hamilton, "The Impact of Crusader Jerusalem on Western Christendom," *The Catholic Historical Review* 80 (1994): 695-713 (Sakai)  
Contemporary accounts  
Robert of Rheims, *Jerusalem History* (Sakai)  
Raymond d'Aguilers, "Fall of Jerusalem" (Sakai)  
Ibn al-Athir, *The Complete History*, 10.93-95 (Sakai)

10. (10.5) Medieval *al-Quds*  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 14 (pp. 295-322)  
Oleg Grabar, *The Dome of the Rock*, pp. 159-189 (Sakai)  
Contemporary accounts  
    The Continuation of William of Tyre, 50-62 (Sakai)  
    Imad ad-Din, *Conquest of Jerusalem*, 47-69 (Sakai)
11. (10.7) Jerusalem in the Early Ottoman Empire  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 15 (pp. 323-346)  
Oleg Grabar, *The Dome of the Rock*, pp. 189-204 (Sakai)  
Joseph Dan, "Jerusalem in Jewish Spirituality," *City*, pp. 60-73 (Sakai)
12. (10.12) Mid-term exam
13. (10.14) Jerusalem in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century: Ottoman Reforms and the West  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 16 (pp. 347-356)  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 14-44

*Note: Paper #1 due Friday, October 16 at noon*

### **Fall Break**

14. (10.21) Jerusalem in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century: New Places and New Faces  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 16 (pp. 356-370)  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 45-81  
Contemporary accounts  
    Mary Rogers, "Jerusalem," *Palestine*, pp. 41-55 (Sakai)  
    Mark Twain, *Innocents Abroad*, chap. 53 (Sakai)  
Jerusalem in 19<sup>th</sup> century art  
    Visit: [http://coastdaylight.com/prints/old\\_prints.html](http://coastdaylight.com/prints/old_prints.html)
15. (10.26) Nationalist Ideologies and the Status of Jerusalem  
Arthur Hertzberg, "Jerusalem and Zionism," *City*, pp. 149-167 (Sakai)  
Muhammad Muslih, "Palestinian Images of Jerusalem," *City*, pp. 178-201 (Sakai)

16. (10.28) Jerusalem During the British Mandate Period  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 17 (pp. 371-386)  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 70-131

*Case study 1: The 1928 Wall Controversy*

Question: What transpired at the Western Wall in 1928? What were the positions advanced by Jewish and Arab parties, and how did the British adjudicate the claims presented by Jews and Arabs?

Source

British Commission Report (1930), esp. sections IV-VI, pp. 16-63 (Sakai)

17. (11.2) Battle for Jerusalem  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 17 (pp. 385-390)  
Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, pp. 21-33  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 132-163  
Anita Shapira, "Jerusalem in 1948: A Contemporary Perspective,"  
*Jewish Social Studies* 17 (2011): 78-123 (Sakai)  
United Nations General Assembly Resolution 181 (1947), section III: Jerusalem (Sakai)  
Armistice Agreement between Israel and Jordan (April 3, 1949), see especially articles I, VI, and VIII (Sakai)
18. (11.4) The Political and Legal Status of Jerusalem after 1949  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 163-178  
United Nations General Assembly Resolution 303 (1949) (Sakai)  
Ben Gurion Statement on Jerusalem (1949) (Sakai)  
Jordanian Declaration on the West Bank (1950) (Sakai)  
Goldberg Statement at United Nations (1967) (Sakai)  
Yost Statement at United Nations (1967) (Sakai)

*Case study 2: United States Policy Regarding Jerusalem*

Congress Concurrent Resolution on Jerusalem (1990) (Sakai)

Jerusalem Embassy Act (1995) (Sakai)

Foreign Affairs Authorization Act (2003), sec. 214 (Sakai)

Supreme Court of the United States, *Zivotofsky v. Kerry* (2015) (Sakai)



19. (11.9) City Divided  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 17 (pp. 390-397)  
Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, 50-64  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 179-204
20. (11.11) 1967: City Unified/Occupied  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 18 (pp. 398-408)  
Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, pp. 33-38; 64-68  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 205-216  
Naomi Shemer, “Jerusalem of Gold” (song) (Sakai)  
Meir Ariel, “Jerusalem of Iron” (song) (Sakai)  
Protection of the Holy Places Law (1967) (Sakai)

*Case study 3: Unification or Occupation?*

Question: What is the legal/political status of Jerusalem since 1967?

Sources

United Nations Charter, Chap. 1, Art. 2 and Chap. 7, Art. 51 (Sakai)  
Geneva Convention, Article 49 (1949) (Sakai)  
United Nations Security Council Resolution 242 (1967) (Sakai)  
United Nations Security Council Resolution 252 (1968) (Sakai)  
International Court of Justice, Advisory Opinion (2004), esp. pp. 7-12 (Sakai)  
Law and Administration Ordinance (1967) (Sakai)  
Lauterpacht, *Jerusalem and the Holy Places*, pp. 5-27; 37-53 (Sakai)  
Basic Law: Jerusalem (1980) (Sakai)  
Palestinian Statement on Jerusalem (Sakai)  
Declaration of Principles (Oslo I), esp. Article V (1993) (Sakai)

21. (11.16) People and Planning  
Armstrong, *Jerusalem*, chap. 18 (pp. 409-429)  
Meron Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, pp. 106-201  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 216-238

*Case study 4: The Redevelopment of the Jewish Quarter*

Question: What were the objectives and effects of the redevelopment of the Jewish Quarter?

Sources

Meron Benvenisti, *Jerusalem*, pp. 233-246 (Sakai)  
Burkan v. Minister of Finance (1978) (Sakai)  
Matti Friedman, “From Blank Slate to Theme Park: Jerusalem’s Jewish Quarter Still Seeks an Identity,” *Times of Israel* (18 May 2012) (Sakai)

22. (11.18) Sacred Places: Christians Churches  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 266-286; 317-327  
Paul Merkley, *Christian Attitudes Towards the State of Israel*,  
pp. 170-176 (Sakai)

*Case study 5: Christian theology and Jerusalem*

Question: What are the theological foundations for the varying Christian positions on Jerusalem?

Sources

Patriarchs and Heads of the Local Christian Churches in Jerusalem,  
“Status of Jerusalem” *Jerusalem Testament*, pp. 125-129 (Sakai)  
“Christian Zionists Back United Jerusalem,” Ynetnews  
(10 August 2009) (Sakai)  
Naim Ateek, “Jerusalem in Islam and For Palestinian Christians,”  
*Jerusalem Past and Present in the Purposes of God*, pp. 125-150 (Sakai)

23. (11.23) Sacred Places: The Wall  
Meir Ben-Dov, *The Western Wall*, pp. 79-96 (Sakai)  
Khaled Toameh, “Jews Have No Right to the Western Wall,” *Jerusalem Post*  
(22 November 2010) (Sakai)  
Rivka Gonen, “The Western Wall Tunnel,” *Contested Holiness*,  
pp. 162-167 (Sakai)

*Case study 6: Women of the Wall*

Question: What ritual practices should be permitted/prohibited for women at the Western Wall?

Source

Protection of the Holy Places Law (1967) (Sakai)  
State of Israel v. Ras (2013) (Sakai)  
Susan Aranoff, “The Politics of Women of the Wall,” *Women of the Wall*,  
180-204 (Sakai)  
Daniella Cheslow, “A View from the Egalitarian Plaza,” *Tablet* (6 December 2013) (Sakai)

24. (11.25) Digging and Displaying Jerusalem  
Neil Silberman, “Structuring the Past,” *The Archaeology of Israel*,  
pp. 62-81 (Sakai)  
Nadia Abu El-Haj, “Excavating Jerusalem,” *Facts on the Ground*, pp. 130-162  
(Sakai)  
City of David (Ir David) Park  
Visit website of City of David Park (Sakai)  
Adina Hoffman, “Archaeological Digs Stoke Conflict in Jerusalem,”  
*The Nation* (18 August 2008) (Sakai)  
Kamon Ben Shimon, “Down in the Valley,” *The Jerusalem Report*  
(2 August 2010): 12-15 (Sakai)

25. (11.30) Sacred Places: The Temple Mount/Noble Sanctuary  
Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, 69-86  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 328-344  
Rivka Gonen, "Muslim Acts," *Contested Holiness*, pp. 167-171 (Sakai)  
Kristin Romey, Jerusalem's Temple Mount Flap," *Archaeology*  
(March/April 2000) (Sakai)  
Sandra Scham, "A Fight Over Sacred Turf," *Archaeology*  
(November/December 2001) (Sakai)  
Visit website of "Temple Institute" (Sakai)  
Visit website of "Temple Mount Faithful" (Sakai)

*Case study 7: Religious Activities on the Har'am*

Question: Should Jews be permitted to pray openly on the Temple Mount?

Sources

- National Groups v. Minister of Police (1970) (Sakai)  
Zionist Organization of America on Temple Mount (Sakai)  
Spencer Ho, "Ministry Looking to Allow Jewish Prayer on Temple Mount,"  
*Times of Israel* (30 April 2014) (Sakai)

26. (12.2) Unifying Jerusalem  
Benvenisti, *City of Stone*, pp. 38-49; 202-263  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 239-265; 287-316  
Nir Hasson, "A Surprising Process of 'Israelization,'" *Haaretz*  
(29 December 2012) (Sakai)

*Case study 8: Sheikh Jarrah*

Question: What is the legal/political status of property in the neighborhood  
of Sheikh Jarrah?

Source

- JIIS, Sheikh Jarrah Report (Sakai)

*Note: Paper #2 due Friday, December 4 at noon*

27. (12.7) Negotiating the Future  
Wasserstein, *Divided Jerusalem*, pp. 345-359  
Sari Nusseibeh, "Negotiating the City," *Jerusalem*, pp. 198-204 (Sakai)  
Gilad Sher, "Negotiating Jerusalem" *Jerusalem*, pp. 303-320 (Sakai)  
Jerome Segal, "The Status of Jerusalem," *Negotiating Jerusalem*, pp. 1-56 (Sakai)

*Case study 9: Jerusalem's Future*

Question: What, in your opinion, is the best disposition for the future of Jerusalem?

Sources

Council on Foreign Relations: Middle East Peace Proposals (Sakai)  
Saya, "Jerusalem Annex to the Geneva Accord" (Sakai)  
"The Future of Jerusalem" *The Atlantic* (14 November 2011) (video) (Sakai)

28. (12.9) Conclusion

## **RLST 135: JERUSALEM – COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

### **1. Class attendance and participation in discussions (40 points)**

You are expected to attend each class, to have read the assigned material, and be prepared to contribute to class discussions with questions, comments, and observations.

#### *Case studies*

The second half of the course will include several cases studies that will examine a particular issue related to the overall topic that day. Each case study will involve a specific prompt and relevant readings. Please read the assigned materials for each case study, and come to class prepared to answer the prompt and discuss the historical, legal, diplomatic, cultural, and religious aspects involved.

#### *Classroom etiquette*

Please observe the following guidelines of classroom etiquette:

- Entering and exiting the room during class time can be disruptive. Please be on-time and, unless absolutely necessary, refrain from leaving (e.g., to go to the bathroom) until the class session is finished.
- I would prefer that you not eat during class (drinking is fine).
- Please turn off/silence phones and store them away.
- Use of computers/tablets is permitted for taking notes and consulting assigned readings. Use of such devices for reading email, visiting social media sites, or similar purposes is not permitted, and will result in revocation of computer privileges and deduction of points.

#### *Athenaeum Talks*

This semester the Athenaeum is sponsoring two lectures that will enhance the material studied in the course.

October 27: Yossi Klein Halevi, The Future of Israeli Democracy (required)

Talk begins at 6:45. I strongly encourage you to attend the dinner before hand. Reception begins at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:00.

November 12 (lunch): Yaki Lopez, Israeli Foreign Policy (recommended)

Talk begins at 12:00. I strongly encourage you to attend the lunch before hand. Lunch begins at 11:30.

### **2. Exams (200 points)**

Mid-term exam: October 12 (75 points). The exam will cover material from classes 1-11.

Final exam: December 16, 2:00 pm (125 points). The exam will be comprehensive, but focus primarily on material covered in classes 13-27.

### 3. Papers (260 points)

Complete two research-based papers. Each paper should be 8-10 pages in length.

The project is designed for you to research and write about topics that will enable you to gain a better understanding of Jerusalem's history and culture. Please consider the following guidelines when developing your project and writing the paper.

- The paper may examine any aspect related to study of Jerusalem, but should focus on a *specific* event, person, idea/institution, ritual, artifact, or monument.
- The paper need not present an original thesis, but should provide your understanding of the topic and critical analysis as informed by modern scholarship.
- The paper should do more than describe the topic, but should, for example, analyze the causes and effects related to a particular event, ascertain the motivations and contributions of the individual or group, assess the interconnections between religious, political, and/or legal ideas and institutions.
- The analysis must rely on *at least three scholarly sources*, including at least one monograph (i.e., book) and one scholarly article (e.g., journal collected essays).

Paper #1: Pre-Modern Jerusalem (due: October 16 at noon); examples

- Event: Crusades and Latin Kingdom
- Person: Herod, Constantine, Saladin
- Idea/Institution: Jewish hopes for rebuilding Temple
- Ritual: Pilgrimage
- Monument: Temple, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Dome of the Rock

Paper #2: Modern Jerusalem (due: December 4 at noon); examples

- Event: Effects of the 1967 War
- Person: Hajj Amin Al-Husseini
- Idea/Institution: Archaeology; Neighborhoods
- Ritual: Nebi Musa festival
- Artifact/Monument: Western Wall

I recommend that you discuss your paper with me *at least* three weeks before it is due.

Please observe the following conventions when submitting these papers.

- Submit the paper to the Assignments section in Sakai.
- Use one-inch margins, 12-point, Times Roman font, and include page numbers.
- Citations, if any, may appear as footnotes, endnotes, or parenthetical form. Be consistent.
- Papers should be submitted as a Word (\*.doc/\*.docx) document. Other formats are acceptable, but please check with me first.
- Include a bibliography/list of works cited.