

*University of California San Diego*

HIEU 159

***THREE CENTURIES OF ZIONISM FROM 1648 TO 1948***

#774385



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Please do not send e-mail messages to me unless it is an emergency. I do check the mail function on our class web board. Speak to me during office hours, call me in my office during my hours, or talk before or after class.

Office hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00-2:00

Class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11-12:20 in Sequoia Hall 147

***Class texts.***

All texts have been ordered with the Price Center Bookstore, and have been placed on Library Reserve. Some of them may be available with partial text online thanks to Google, or they may be University of California online books, and you may be able to buy some of them as e-books.

Tom Segev, *One Palestine Complete*. Henry Holt and Company, 978 0805065879

Alan Lelchuk, ed., *Eight Great Hebrew Short Novels*. Toby Press, 978 1592641123. Kindle edition available.

Arthur Hertzberg, *The Zionist Idea*. Jewish Publication Society 978 0827606227

Eran Kaplan and Derek Penslar, *The Origins of Israel: A Documentary History*. University of Wisconsin Press 078 029928494-7. Kindle edition available.

Ronald Florence, *Lawrence and Aaronsohn*. Penguin Publishers. Kindle edition available.

David Biale, *Power and Powerlessness in Jewish History*. Schocken Press, 978 0805208412. Kindle edition available.

Simon Sebag Montefiore, *Jerusalem: A Biography*. Vintage Press, 978 0307280503.

**Class Web site: [ted.ucsd.edu](http://ted.ucsd.edu).** Students should check regularly on our class web site. You can send the professor mail on the site. For each class session, a discussion question will be posted on the site, and students are expected to write 2-3 sentence posts responding to the question at least ten times during the quarter. If you find a wonderful web site or link to a scanned version of one of the texts or have a film to recommend, please post this information on our site. Call the Academic Computing Office at 4-4061 or 4-2113 if you experience problems.

**Holocaust Living History Workshop** is a regular lecture series of local speakers in the field of Jewish history and the Holocaust. All sessions are on Wednesday afternoons at 5 pm in the Seuss room of the library. During the quarter please try to attend as most speakers will include material relevant to our course. Dates to note: April 3, April 24, May 8, May 22, June 5. Check out the Workshop web site at <http://libraries.ucsd.edu/hlh/events.html>.

## **Requirements.**

Please come to class even if you have not done the reading. We will need everyone present to contribute to class discussions.

The Power Point presentations in class are intended to make the class sessions more enjoyable. They are decidedly not a replacement for what is learned from consistent and disciplined reading. In-class lecture presentations are designed for the classroom only and they will not be available on our class web board.

Students will write a **10 page paper**, due on May 28. Please prepare a 5 minute **presentation of your essay topic**, to be delivered in class at the point in the syllabus when your topic comes up. Please sign up in the class presentation notebook the date you will present, and keep to your commitment. If you wish to show a power point, please email it to the professor 24 hours before the set date and time, at [dhertz@ucsd.edu](mailto:dhertz@ucsd.edu).

Further instructions on the format of the essay will be discussed extensively in class. The in-class **midterm** will take place on May 7, and the **final** will be on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. Both the midterm and the final will consist of one or more essay questions, which will NOT be distributed beforehand, and some identifications.

Points toward the final grade: paper 40 points; midterm 20 points; final 30 points; web postings, attendance, and class presentation 10 points.

**Essay Topics** At the end of the syllabus you will find a long list of possible topics, mainly biographies and films. Visual History Archive interviews are also good topics for your essay. Other topics of your own choosing are also acceptable. If you choose a film, a novel, or a video interview, make sure to also use a serious scholarly monograph for your research.

**Visual History Archive.** This is a collection of 52,000 video interviews, many of which touch on the Zionist experience. If you choose to use the Archive, please make an appointment to see Dr. Susanne

Hillman for guidance on how to use the Archive and which interviews might be helpful for your topic. Her office hours are Wednesdays 1-4 and her office is in the Library on the first floor. Inquire at the information desk for precise directions. Contact Dr. Hillman at 534 7661 or [HLHW@ucsd.edu](mailto:HLHW@ucsd.edu). Please choose an academic source to supplement your viewing experience with the interviews. Here are six questions to use in framing your essay.

One: *Survivors and refugees who were active in various Zionist youth groups*; Two: *Survivors and refugees whose families chose to move to Palestine before 1933, from Poland, Russia or Germany*; Three: *Survivors and refugees whose families moved to Palestine between 1933---1943*; Four: *The role of the Jewish Brigades in aiding escapes from Europe during the war*; five: *revenge operations and the Abba Kovner controversy*; Six: *Survivors and refugees who fought in the 1948 war of independence*.

### ***Course Schedule.***

#### ***April 2 Paradoxes of Zionism: An Unlikely Success?***

No reading.

#### ***April 4 European Jewry in 1648***

Read: Biale Chapter Three

Please be ready to sign into the class presentations notebook with your topic and date of presentation.

#### ***April 9 Early Modern Palestine Under Ottoman Rule***

Read: Montefiore, Part Seven, 291-314

#### ***April 11 The Jewish Enlightenment and the Revival of the Hebrew Language***

Read: Biale, Chapter Four; "Sideways" by Uri Gnessin in *Eight Great Hebrew Short Novels*

#### ***April 11 Early Zionist Thinkers***

Read: Biale Chapter Five; from Hertzberg, read selections by and about Kalischer, Hess, Smolenskin, Ben-Yehudah, and Pinsker.

#### ***April 16 Napoleon and Onwards in Nineteenth-Century Palestine***

Read: Montefiore, 315-348

***April 18 The Unlikely Career of Theodor Herzl***

Read: Hertzberg, 199-231; Montefiore, 373-393.

***Monday April 22: Public Lecture by Amos Oz on the topic "Zionist Dreams, Israeli Realities"***

This lecture is an important opportunity and all students are expected to attend. There will be a sign-up sheet for our class at the lecture. The tickets are free but you must reserve them. Information about the reservations will be available in class throughout the month of April.

***April 25 Jerusalem, Arab City***

Read: Montefiore, 349-372

***April 30 Herzl and his Zionist Critics***

Read: in Hertzberg, sections on Ahad Ha-Am, Ber Borochov, Martin Buber, Vladimir Jabotinsky.

***May 2 Russian Youth Settle in Palestine***

Read: "Nerves," by Josef Brenner, in *Eight Great Hebrew Short Novels*; Kaplan and Penslar, Chapters 4, 5, 6, and 7.

***May 7 Midterm examination in class***

Please bring a blue book to class. No make-up examinations without prior arrangement with the professor.

***May 9 Archeology and Orientalism: T.E. Lawrence and Aaron Aaronsohn***

Read: Florence, Chapters One through Five; Montefiore, Chapter 44.

***May 14 Palestine During World War One***

Read: Segev, Chapter One; Florence, Chapters Six through Nine

***May 16 The Last Years of Ottoman Rule in Palestine***

Read: Florence, Chapters Ten through Twenty One; Montefiore, Chapters 45, 46, 47.

**May 21**     *New Hebrew Families*

Read: Kaplan and Penslar, Chapters 13, 14, 18, 19, 25 and 26; Watch the film in class **Children of the Sun**, about life on an Israeli kibbutz

**May 23**     *British Policies Toward the Two Nations in Palestine*

Read: Segev, Chapters Two through Twelve; “The Hill of Evil Counsel,” by Amos Oz, in *Eight Great Short Hebrew Novels*; Montefiore, Chapters 48 and 49

**May 28**     *Was Palestine a Haven in Dark Times? World War Two in Palestine*

Read: Segev, Chapters Twenty One and Twenty Two; Kaplan and Penslar, Section V, all.

**Papers due.** No late work accepted without prior arrangement with instructor. No electronic submissions please.

**May 30**     *The 1948 War of Independence*

**Read:** Segev, Chapter Twenty Three; Kaplan and Penslar, Section IV, all; Montefiore, selections on Chaim Weizmann and David Ben-Gurion.

**June 4**     *Institutions of the New State*

Read: Kaplan and Penslar, Section VI, all; Montefiore, 50, 51, and 52.

**June 6**     *Evaluating the Achievement of Statehood*

Read: Biale, Chapter Six and Montefiore, Epilogue

**Final Examination: June 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 in our classroom**

**Films**

[all owned by the UC San Diego Library, but not on Film Reserves]

The House on August Street  
Born in Berlin  
Stalags  
Territories  
Diaries Jossef Nachmani  
Exile

Berlin-Jerusalem  
Tkhuma  
Yearning: Jerusalem in the Nineteenth Century  
Walk in Crusader Jerusalem  
The Specialist [Eichmann trial]  
Al Nakba  
Esh Tsolevet  
Under the Domin Tree  
Shattered Dream  
Kedma  
Exodus 1947

## Biography Essay Topics

Manassah ben Israel; Bogdan Chmielnicki; Josel of Rosheim, Glikl of Hameln; Joseph Suss Oppenheimer; Rabbi Judah Loew, Maharal of Prague.

Napoleon Bonaparte; Suleiman the Magnificent; Sultan Selim I; Pasha of Sidon; Ahmad al-Jazzar also called Jazzar Pasha; Haim Farhi; Pasha Suleiman.

Jacob Frank; Nathan of Gaza; Shabbatei Zevi; Gershom Scholem; Solomon Molcho.

Moses Mendelssohn; David Friedlaender; Solomon Maimon; Avraham Mapu; Jacob Emden, Baruch Spinoza; Uriel de Costa; Solomon Rapoport; Joseph Perl; Nathan Korchmal; Micah Levinsohn

Rabbi Yehudah Alkalai; Rabbi Zvi Hirsch Kalischer; Judah Leib Gordon; Eliezer ben Yehuda; Moshe Lilienblum; Leo Pinsker; Micha Berdichevski; Mordechai Manuel Noah

Heinrich Heine; Karl Marx, Moses Hess; Ferdinand Lasalle; Ludwig Börne; the Rothschild family [as viewed by leftists]; Wilhelm Marr; Georg Hegel; Otto Bauer; Leon Trotsky; Victor Adler; Paul Singer; Georg Ritter von Schoenerer

Benjamin Disraeli; Hayyim Nachman Bialik; Joseph Hayim Brenner; Jean Louis Burckhardt; Ulrich Seetzen; Lord Lindsay; Mrs. Dawson Damer; Lady Francis Egerton; David Roberts; Horace Vernet; Edward Robinson.

Vladimir Jabotinsky; Ber Borochov; Ahad Ha Am; Chaim Zhitlovsky; Hasia Helfman; Horace de Guenzburg; Vladimir Medem; Pavel Axelrod, Simon Dubnow; Rosa Luxemburg; Abraham Liessin; Czar Alexander I of Russia; Czar Alexander II of Russia.

Julie Herzl; Herzl's children; David Wolfsohn; Alfred Dreyfus; Baron Edmund de Rothschild; Ernst Pawel [biography of Herzl]; Alex Bein [biography of Herzl]; Alfred Dreyfus; Otto Weininger; Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany; Baron de Hirsch; Moses Montefiore; Leon Pinsker

Aaron David Gordon; Micah Berdichevski; Nahman Syrkin; Chaim Nachman Bialik; Moshe Leib Lilienblum; Eliezer Ben-Yehudah; Count Leo Tolstoy; Yisrael Schochat; Eliezer ben Yehudah; David Yellin

Max Nordau; Moses Montefiore; Leon Pinsker; Baron de Maurice de Hirsch; Peretz Smolenskin; Martin Buber; Bernard Lazare; Sigmund Freud; Victor Adler; Arthur Schnitzler; Richard Wagner; Alfred Dreyfus; Emile Zola; Emperor Franz Joseph of the Habsburg Empire; Nathan Birnbaum.

Rachel Yanait Ben Zvi; David Ben Gurion; Eliezer Schochat; Sarah Ahronson, Chaya Sara Hankin; Olga Hankin; Berl Katznelson; Israel Schochat; Judah Magnus; Arthur Ruppin

David Ben Gurion; Chaim Arlosoroff; Chaya Hankin; Olga Hankin; Golda Meir; Irma Lindheim; Sarah Malkin

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Gershom Scholem; Arthur Balfour; Chaim Weizmann; Yosef Brenner; Mark Sykes  
Henriette Szold; Leo Motzkin; Rabbi Abba Silver; Nahum Goldmann; Richard Lichtheim; Kurt Blumenfeld; Zev Jabotinsky; Judah Magnes; Israel Zangwill; Nahman Syrkin; Marie Syrkin; Kurt Landauer; Julian Mack; Isaiah Berlin; Rabbi Stephen Mayer Wise

Eva Jabotinsky; Ephraim Lilien; Max Nordau; Joseph Trumpeldor; Menachem Begin  
Lord Peel; Herbert Samuel; Edward Keith-Roach; Colonel Frederick Kisch; David Lloyd George; Sir Edmund Allenby; Jacob Thon; Herbert Bentwich; Colonel Richard Meinertzhagen; Colonel Waters Taylor; General Bols

Hugo Bergmann; Arthur Ruppin; Gershom Schocken; Werner Senator; Joseph Klausner; Martin Buber; Hans Kohn; Else Lasker-Schueler

Azzam Pasha; Gamal Abdel Nasser; Abu Laban; Tewfik Toubi  
Prince Faisal; Haj Amin al-Husseini, the Mufti; Thomas Edward Lawrence [of Arabia];  
Jamal Pasha; Khalil al-Sakakini; King Abdullah of Transjordan

Judah Magnes; Berl Katznelson; Moshe Dayan; Golda Meir; Moshe Smilansky; Ben-Hillel Hacohen; Natan Zakh; Victor Chaim Arlosoroff; Meier Diezengoff; Abba Eban;  
Arthur Koestler; Chaim Nachman Bialik; Dvora Baron; Reuben Brainin; Nathan Altermann; Esther Slepian; Rahel Yanait Ben Zvi; Annie Landau

Magnus Hirschfeld; Puah Rakovsky; Rahel Bluestein; David Biale [historian]; Bertha Pappenheim; Ida Maimon; Meier Ya'ari  
Martin Buber [especially his debate with Mahatma Ghandi]; Peter Bergson (Hillel Kook);  
Kurt Blumenfeld; David Ben Gurion; Hannah Senesch; Abba Kovner

Menachem Begin; Manya Schochat; Zev Jabotinsky; Eleonor Roosevelt; Efraim Shilo;  
Levi Eshkol; Yosef Barpal; Itzhak Refael; Giora Joseftal; Tzvi Hermon; Yaakov Zerubavel  
Menachem Begin; Yitzhak Shamir; Ralph Bunche; Pincas Rosen; James McDonald;  
Uri Zvi Greenberg

Jamal Husseini; John Bagot Glubb; Count Folke Bernadotte; Robert Lovett of the US  
Department of State; Yigal Yadin; President Harry Truman; David Ben Gurion; Moshe Sharett; Moshe Dayan; Yigal Allon; Pavel Yershov; Eliyahu Sasson

*Thank you for participating in this class and enjoy your summer.*