

**Modern Hebrew Literature: Introduction (MES16)**

REQUIRED READINGS

**Primary:**

Literary excerpts (pdf)

**Secondary:**

David Patterson, *A Phoenix in Fetters*, 1988

Simon Halkin, *Modern Hebrew Literature*, 1970

Alan Mintz, *Banished from their Father's Table*, 1989

Robert Alter, *The Invention of Hebrew Prose*, 1988

*Defenses of the Imagination*, 1977

Gershon Shaked, *S. Y. Agnon, A Revolutionary Traditionalist*, 1989

Yaron Peleg, *Hebrew Culture between Two Intifadas*, 2008

**Supervision Arrangements:** 2 essays and 2 supervisions per year. Essays are due 1 week before the end of MT and LT respectively.

**Readings**

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| W | 16/10 | A. Mapu: אהבת ציון<br>R. Alter, Introduction<br>D. Patterson, Introduction  |
| W | 23/10 | A. Mapu: אהבת ציון<br>Y. L. Gordon (poem), הקיצה עמי<br>D. Patterson, "Aspects of Language"<br>S. Halkin, "The Dilemma of Haskala Literature" |
| W | 30/10 | A. Mapu: אהבת ציון<br>M. Y. Levinsom (poem), הבודד בשדה<br>D. Patterson, "From Mapu to Mendeleh"  |
| W | 6/11  | M. Z. Feierberg: לאן?<br>A. Mintz, "The Turn to Autobiography in Hebrew Literature"   |
| W | 13/11 | M. Z. Feierberg: לאן?<br>Ch. N. Bialik (poem), צנה לו זלזל<br>R. Alter, "From Pastiche to Nosach"   |
| W | 20/11 | U. N. Gnessin: הצידה  |

- W 27/11 M. Y. Berchivesky: פרה אדומה  
A. Mintz, "Berdichevsky and Erotic Shame"  
S. Tschernichovsky (poem), לנוכה פסל אפולו

**1<sup>st</sup> essay due**

- W 4/12 Y. Ch. Brenner: עצבים  
S. Halkin, "The Individual and the Group"

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- W 22/1 S. Yizhar: השבוי
- W 29/1 S. Y. Agnon: האדונית והרוכל
- W 5/2 S. Y. Agnon: האדונית והרוכל  
G. Shaked, "Intertextual Connections: Parallelism,"  
"Intertextual Connections: Tradition and Canon"
- W 12/2 Amos Oz: דרך הרוח
- W 19/2 Amos Oz: דרך הרוח
- W 26/2 Yehudit Almog: סיפורים
- W 5/3 O. Castel-Blum: סיפורים  
Y. Peleg, "Bourgeoisification and its Discontent"

**2<sup>nd</sup> essay due**

- W 12/3 E. Keret: סיפורים

Easter Term, 2014

- W 30/4 Ronit Matalon: מתוך זה עם הפנים אלינו  
Y. Peleg, "Hebrew Literature in the Neo-National Age"
- W 7/5 Yoram Kanyuk: מתוך תלשח
- W 14/5 Dror Burstein: מתוך אבנר ברנר
- W 21/5 Poems