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## Judaiism, Christianity and Islam in Medieval Culture HIS 378

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**LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)**  
**LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT**

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Course: HIS 378, Judaism, Christianity & Islam in Medieval Culture

Department, College: History Department, Arts and Sciences

Faculty Member: Alan Verskin

Date returned to Faculty: 10/15/19

Librarian Completing Assessment: Amanda Izenstark

Collection Management Officer: Joanna Burkhardt

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Assessment of:

- Suitability of existing library resources;
- New library resources required to support the program;
- Information skills education required by the students; and
- Funds needed for library materials and services.

Please include:

1. What library holdings already exist in relevant subject categories. How much money is now allocated in the subject area?

The University Libraries have been increasing holdings of materials in Jewish and Islamic history since the development of the Islamic Studies cluster, and the Libraries already have materials related to the history of Christianity. Currently, \$8,000 per year is allocated for History purchases.

2. Does URI have the essential journals as noted in the Faculty Questionnaire?

No specific journals are noted. The History-related databases that URI subscribes to - Historical Abstracts and ITER Bibliography - cover the time period and topics, and additional databases such as JSTOR contain relevant full text.

3. What new resources are required to support the course (including media, electronic, or other non-print materials)?

Six monographs are required, and the estimated cost to purchase them is \$200. This is well within the allocation for the department.

4. What information mastery sessions will be required for the students?

Students will need to locate secondary sources for their final assignment. A session to support student research and citation in the field would support student success.

5. What is the approximate cost to acquire the materials necessary? Which of these will be continuing costs?

See above for details regarding the purchase of six monographs. This course will not involve any new continuing costs. Acquisition of new publications for this course can be done through existing funds.

Based on my review of the Library Impact Statement and the syllabus for HIS 378, Judaism, Christianity & Islam in Medieval Culture, the Libraries have the capacity to support this new course, and I support the approval of the course.

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