

The Jewish Mediterranean

THE FIRST YEAR SEMINAR

**J ST/CAMS 083 T:
The Jewish Mediterranean.
3 cr. hrs.
Tu/Th 2:30-3:45**

We shall study in this seminar the diaspora of the Jewish people from the Judaic homeland to communities around the Mediterranean basin. We shall analyze and discuss ancient literary and archaeological evidence. The geographic range to be covered extends from Babylon in the east to Morocco and Spain in the west. The chronological scope is ca. 600 BCE to ca. 500 CE, with a particular focus on the history of Jewish communities in Italy from ca. 140 BCE to 400 CE.

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- OPTIONAL - STUDY ABROAD



(The Arch of Titus in the Roman Forum (ca. 80 CE). Inside are reliefs illustrating the booty—including the great menorah—seized when the Temple in Jerusalem was sacked in 70 CE.)

**J ST/CAMS 499
Jewish Rome
1 cr. hr.
May 2010**

This seminar includes an optional, 1 credit/10 day visit to Rome where we shall visit the archaeological site of an ancient synagogue and walk the streets of the modern Jewish quarter in Rome.

Students who have completed CAMS 5, CAMS 100, CAMS 101, or JST 10 also are eligible for this study adventure.

Travel scholarships and support available from the Jewish Studies Program, The College of the Liberal Arts and The Schreyer Honors College.

Provisional Budget

Airfare -	\$1300
Lodging -	\$800
Food -	\$500
Local Trans -	\$150
	<u>\$2750</u>



(Life in the Jewish ghetto at Rome ca. 1890. The arch in the foreground is part of the remains of the Roman portico of Octavia. Behind the arch, one of the few surviving medieval houses in Rome.)

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