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Never Again and Now: A Study of Antisemitism – Non-Credit Online Lecture Series - 48990

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During recent years, and particularly after October 7th 2023, the world has witnessed an upsurge in antisemitic incidents and rhetoric on city streets, in work and domestic spaces and on university campuses in the United States, Europe and elsewhere. How can we define this term, antisemitism, that has been used to denote a range of phenomena that disparage Jews and Judaism, and try to explain how and why it has changed and continues to do so? This lecture series invites students to think deeply about contemporary discourses of and about antisemitism in the light of their historical precedents and recent resonances.

Originally from London, Dr. Katherine Aron-Beller is lecturer of Jewish History in the Rothberg International School of the Hebrew University and at Tel Aviv University. Her areas of expertise include the history of antisemitism, contemporary antisemitism, medieval *Jewish* history, early modern *Jewish-Christian* relations and the early modern Papal Inquisition. She is the author of *Jews on Trial: The Papal Inquisition in Modena 1598-1638* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2011), the co-editor of *The Roman Inquisition: Centre versus Peripheries* (Leiden: Brill, 2018) and more recently *Christian Images and their Jewish Desecrators: The History of an Allegation* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2024) and many articles on the Catholic Inquisition, antisemitism and the Jews of Italy.

This lecture series will be taught in five zoom sessions:

1. *November 10th* - Antisemitism and the Problems of its Definition

Denis MacShane, *Globalising Hatred: The New Antisemitism* (London: Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 2008) 1-19.

Kenneth L. Marcus, "The Definition of Antisemitism" in Charles A. Small (ed.) *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity* Volume I: Conceptual Approaches (Leiden: Brill, 2013), 99-113.

David Patterson, *Antisemitism and Its Metaphysical Origins*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015), 1-54. 135- 164.

2. *November 17th* - Anti-Zionism and the Delegitimization of the State of Israel.

James Loeffler, "Anti-Zionism" in Sol Goldberg, Scott Ury, Kalman Wieser (eds) *Key Concepts in the Study of Antisemitism* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2021) 38-51.

David Patterson, "Anti-zionist Antisemitism," *Antisemitism and Its Metaphysical Origins*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015), 195-221.

Matti Bunzl, *Antisemitism and Islamophobia : Hatreds Old and New in Europe* (Chicago: Prickly Paradigm Press, 2007).

3. *November 24th*: The Islamization of Antisemitism

Primary Source: Hamas charter 1988 at http://avalon.law.yale.edu/20th_century/hamas.asp

Bassam Tibi "From Sayyid Qutb to Hamas: The Middle East Conflict and the Islamization of Antisemitism, in Charles A. Small (ed.) *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity* (Leiden: Brill, 2013) Vol. IV Islamism and the Arab World (Leiden; Brill, 2013) 21-46.

Menahem Milson "Arab and Islamic Antisemitism," in Charles A. Small (ed.) *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity* (Leiden: Brill, 2013)

4. *December 8th* - Holocaust Denial

Deborah Lipstadt, *Denying the Holocaust: The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory* (reprint: London Penguin, 2016)

David Patterson, *Antisemitism and Its Metaphysical Origins*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015) , 165-193.

Raphael Cohen-Almagor, "Hate in the Classroom: Free Expression, Holocaust Denial, and Liberal Education," *American Journal of Education* 114, no. 2 (2008): 215-241.

5. *December 15th* - The Self-Hating Jew

Sander L. Gilman, *Jewish Self-Hatred : Antisemitism and the Hidden Language of the Jews* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1986):

Sol Goldberg, "Jewish Self-Hatred" in Sol Goldberg, Scott Ury, Kalman Wieser (eds) *Key Concepts in the Study of Antisemitism* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2021), 146-160.