Hasidism: Movement, Masters, Teaching

This course explores the history and contemplative approach of Eastern European Hasidism, the mystical/pietistic revival movement that formed in southeastern Poland in the eighteenth century. Topics include contemplative prayer, mystical/charismatic leadership, mystical immanence of the Divine, worship through materiality, devekut (mystical union), minhag (custom), and ecstatic forms of music and dance. Co-requisite: REL529 or equivalent.

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