

# The Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life Faculty Seminar

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## Judaism in the Sectarian Muslim World: Conflict and Normalization Following the Abraham Accords



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This seminar will explore how Judaism is represented in the modern Middle East, with a focus on Iran, Iraq, and Lebanon. The Abraham Accords emerged within the context of a sectarian political and religious struggle between Shia dominated Iran and the Sunni states that are partners to the Accords--a struggle in which Israel as the self-proclaimed Jewish State has chosen clear sides in its alliance with these Sunni states against Shia Iran. The seminar will examine the existence of a variety of discourses about Judaism in contemporary Muslim public spheres that are increasingly constructed along sectarian lines.

**Tuesday, January 31 at 10:30 AM**

Miller Hall, Room 115 (14 College Ave.)

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