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387 Religion and Culture of Judaism (3)

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Impact statement:

These are primarily cosmetic changes to course descriptions and titles that will have no impact on staffing or resources. Students will benefit from better accuracy in course descriptions and frequency. The addition of a pre- and co-requisite to RELS 420 may have a small impact on course enrollment, but of the twenty-one students enrolled in this course during the spring 2011 semester, only six would not have met the proposed pre-/co-requisite requirements (and three of these withdrew from the course in the first few weeks).

Rationale:

These changes are meant to offer greater accuracy in the catalog description for these courses, and in the case of RELS 420, to guarantee that enrolled students are better prepared for course content.