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The Department of Religious Studies

RELI 450:

Sexuality and Marriage in Jewish Tradition and History

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This advanced course will deal with various topics related to sexuality and marriage in Jewish tradition and history. Our main focus will be on exploring past and present communities that hold the *Halakhah*—the Jewish Law—to be a significant factor in shaping daily life. Among the subjects to be discussed: sex outside of marriage, wedding ceremonies and customs, regulations of marital sexuality, menstruation, divorce, masturbation, male and female homosexuality, rape, prostitution, polygamy, intermarriage, modest clothing, circumcision, contraception, abortion, and more. No knowledge of Hebrew or background in Jewish culture or history is necessary.

Questions? Ask the instructor, Dr. Evyatar Marienberg, at evyatarm@unc.edu.