

Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies

General MA Examination

Reading List

1. Early Antiquity

J. Maxwell Miller, and John H. Hayes, *A History of Ancient Israel and Judah*

John J. Collins, *Introduction to the Hebrew Bible*

2. Late Antiquity

Lawrence Schiffman, *From Text to Tradition*

Lee Levine, *The Ancient Synagogue – the first thousand years*

3. Medieval

Bernard Lewis, *The Jews of Islam*

Robert Chazan, *The Jews of Medieval Western Christendom*

Mark R. Cohen, *Between Crescent and Cross*

Jacob Katz, *Exclusiveness and Tolerance*

Elisheva Baumgarten, *Mothers and Children: Jewish Family Life in Medieval Europe*

4. Modern

Jacob Katz, *Out of the Ghetto*

Paula Hyman, *The Jews of Modern France*

Hasia R. Diner, *The Jews of the United States, 1654-2000*

Marion A. Kaplan, *The Making of the Middle Class*

Marion A. Kaplan, *Between Dignity and Despair*

Harold M. Sachar, *History of Israel*

Jonathan Sarna, *American Judaism*

David Ellenson, *After Emancipation*

5. General

Yosef Haim Yerushalmi, *Zachor*