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**German Israeli Virtual Campus (GIVCA)
Online Course (Summer 2019)**

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Coping with Terrorism in Germany and Israel History and Memory

The online course, which took place in the summer semester of 2019, was based on the close partnership and collaboration between the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HUJ) and the *Freie Universität Berlin* (FUB). The course investigated memories of post-war left-wing terrorism in the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG) in its relationship to Israel. Beyond an understanding of a mere reflection of events, memories were dealt with as driving-forces in recent history.

Altogether 13 students of the HUJ and the FUB discussed memory frames that influenced decisions, definitions and legitimation strategies of terrorist attacks as well as counter-terrorist policies in the 1970s. Students also explored how the left-wing terrorist attacks, in turn, have provided new memory frames that have shaped perceptions of different and new forms of terrorism from the 1970s up to the present.

The course included joint live sessions, additional class discussions of readings and presentations, video lectures and a workshop that took place at the HUJ on 19 and 20 June 2019. Moreover, students wrote research papers and glossary entries on key events such as the attack on the Munich Olympic Games (September 1972), terrorists (e.g. Ulrike Meinhof), counter-terrorist measures such as Israel's operation at Entebbe (July 1976) and visual representations, for instance the film 'Todesspiel' (2008).