
**SEMINAR ON JEWISH HISTORY
AND LITERATURE
IN THE GRAECO-ROMAN PERIOD**

Tuesdays, 2.30 to 4pm, in the Oriental Institute
Convenor: **Professor Martin Goodman**

Week 1: January 21

Dr Helen Spurling (Southampton)

*Jewish apocalypticism in the seventh-eighth
centuries CE*

Week 2: January 28

Amit Gvaryahu (Hebrew University)

*Usurers and other problematic professions in
tannaitic literature*

Week 3: February 4

Dr Meir Ben Shahar (Hebrew University)

*The rise of historical consciousness in rabbinic literature:
from the Mishnah to the Babylonian Talmud*

Week 4: February 11

Professor Sacha Stern (UCL)

Pirqei deRabbi Eliezer and the origins of the 19-year cycle

Week 5: February 18

Professor David Jacobson (UCL)

Hasmonean coinage: some issues and fresh insights

Week 6: February 25

Professor Nicholas de Lange (Cambridge)

Aquila fragments from the Genizah

(GRINFIELD LECTURE)

Week 7: March 4

Dr David Taylor (Wolfson)

Jewish exegetical traditions in Syriac sources

Week 8: March 11

Dr Peter Stewart (Wolfson)

*The Beth Alpha synagogue mosaic and late antique
provincialism*
