

Dr. Alon Tal

Fall Courses: MC335 and MC450



Alon Tal is a Serling Visiting Israeli scholar who founded the Arava Institute for Environmental Studies, a graduate studies center in which students join environmentalists from around the world, especially from Israel, Palestine, and Jordan to study common environmental challenges and solutions. He received a Ph.D. in environmental health policy from Harvard University and a law degree from Hebrew University. Dr. Tal served as chairman of the Committee for Sustainable Development, was the co-chair of Israel's Green Party, is the author of five books, and is **returning to MSU after teaching six highly-acclaimed courses at James Madison College.**

These courses count toward the Jewish Studies Minor.

MC335 counts for IR in the Comparative Regional and Cultural Studies category.

MC450 counts for IR in the IPE and Global Governance Category.

These courses are open to non-JMC students. Please contact Jeff Judge, judgej@msu.edu, or Donna Hofmeister, hofmeist@msu.edu, to enroll in these courses if you are not a JMC student.

- **MC335: Israeli Politics, Cultures and Society**
 - Meets M/W 9:10-12:00pm
 - Analysis of Israeli politics, cultures and society
 - Relationship between society and social and ethnic cleavages, culture and politics, political institutions and parties, and democracy and the Jewish nature of the state, and the influence of these and competing political cultures on foreign policy
- **MC450: International Environmental Policy**
 - Meets M/W 5:00-7:00pm
 - Overview of the concepts, actors, norms, laws, and institutions related to international environmental policy
 - Case studies on current global environmental issues, including Israel