Jews and Melancholia
International Symposium

Samuel Friedman Library
708 Clemens Hall
March 30th 9:00-5:00
March 31st 9:00-1:00

Sergey Dolgopolski
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What is at stake in the notion of melancholia? Why is it frequently associated with Jews and Jewish identity?

The symposium will present an opportunity to think about these questions and discuss them in an interdisciplinary academic forum, while drawing on classical, medieval, and modern notions. Such notions will be examined not only in their specific relation to Jews, but also in the various ways they came to influence certain artistic, theological, and literary practices.

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