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Dear Participants,

A few updates on Jews on Film: Movie Musicals, our summer course at Cornell Adult University, offered July 16-21, 2023.

Updated Schedule: The most important update concerns a change in the class schedule: you should receive an updated version of the schedule grid with this letter.

The standard CAU schedule has morning classes on Wednesday but no afternoon class.

Jews on Film will have a full-day on Wednesday and a half-day on Thursday.

The reasons are personal. Both of my children will be at Camp Seneca Lake, a Jewish Community Center camp located approximately 1.25 hours from Ithaca by car. July 20 is pick-up day for my younger daughter. When I chose to teach CAU that week we knew the 3.5 week camp session would end the week I was teaching. We decided that it was ok if I didn't travel to camp for pick-up.

What we didn't know when we made this plan was that time would be reserved on Session 1 pick-up day for families to visit with senior campers (including my older daughter). Senior campers are there seven weeks, which is exactly twice as long the longest time my older daughter has ever been away. We drop off senior campers on June 25 and pick up on August 13. Obviously, I'd like to be able to spend some time with my child.

I appreciate CAU's willingness to accommodate this different schedule. I hope it does not throw off student plans too much.

Viewing and readings: The films listed on the syllabus should all be readily available via streaming services. I recently confirmed that all are listed as available for DVD purchase and streaming via Amazon prime.

The readings should also be widely available, with the exception of "The Day of Atonement." CAU will share a copy with you.

As always, I welcome further questions. You can reach me at elliot.shapiro@cornell.edu

Looking forward to seeing you in July.

Best wishes,

Elliot