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Oral history is a tremendously powerful and important tool in today’s world of Jewish Studies. The minor in Jewish Oral History at Ohio State combines a background in modern Jewish history, needed to understand the significance of such oral histories, with knowledge of the proper techniques and legal issues involved in recording oral histories through various media. This minor, which is unique to The Ohio State University, is interdisciplinary in nature and has been created through a collaboration of faculty.

Students enrolling in the Jewish Oral History Minor will take one course from each of the four content areas: Modern Jewish History, Holocaust Studies, Oral History Methods, and Electives in Jewish Studies. The areas of study are described below:

**Modern Jewish History:** 3 semester credits required.
- History 2452: Modern Jewish History, 1700 to Present
- History 3460: European Jewish History, 1789-1989

**Holocaust Studies:** 3 semester credits required.
- History 2475: History of the Holocaust
- German 3252: The Holocaust in German Literature and Film
- Hebrew 2705: The Holocaust in Literature and Film

**Oral History Method:** 3 semester credits required.
- English 4577.03: Issues and Methods in the Study of Folklore
- English 4559: Introduction to Narrative and Narrative Theory
- English 4577.01: Folklore I: Groups and Communities

**Electives:** 3 semester credits required.
- History 3465: American Jewish History
- History 3110: The Jewish Experience in Latin America
- JS 2201: Introduction to Jewish Culture Thought and Practice
- Hebrew 2241: Culture of Contemporary Israel
- History 2454: History of Anti-Semitism

*Additional elective courses in Jewish Studies can occasionally be selected from the approved list of courses in consultation with the Director of the Jewish Studies Program.

**Arts and Sciences minor program guidelines**

**Required for graduation** No

**Credit hours required** A minimum of 12 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the 12 credit hr minimum.

**Transfer credit hours allowed** No more than one half of the credit hours required on the minor.

**Overlap with the GE** Permitted,

**Overlap with the major** Not allowed and
- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

**Overlap between minors** Each minor completed must contain 12 unique hours.

**Grades required**
- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

**Minor Approval** The minor course work must be approved by:
- The academic unit offering the minor.

**Filing the minor program form** The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

**Changing the minor** Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:
- The academic unit offering the minor.