

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Jewish Studies Minor

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The goal of the Jewish Studies Minor is to provide an overview of Jewish culture, history, and thought from the biblical period to the present. The minor will offer an appreciation of how Jewish culture, history, and thought can be applied to practices in the legal, educational, and other fields. Students planning a career in Jewish communal service or other related fields will be able to apply skills and knowledge gained from the minor to address contemporary issues.

Students enrolling in the Jewish Studies Minor will take courses in four content areas: Jewish Thought and Practice, Hebrew or Yiddish Language and Culture, Jewish History, and Electives in Jewish Studies

**Jewish Thought and Practice:** 3 semester credits required. Select one course from the following:

JS 2201 Introduction to Jewish Culture Thought & Practice
Philo 3111 Introduction to Jewish Philosophy
Philo 3351 Judaism and Ethics
Philo 3870 Jewish Mysticism
Philo 5870 Topics in Jewish Philosophy
Hebrew 2210 The Jewish Mystical Tradition
Hebrew 2216 The Medieval Jewish Experience

**Hebrew or Yiddish:** 6 semester credits required at the 2700 level or above in any combination of the two languages.

**Jewish History:** 3 semester credits required. Students may select one course from the following:

History 2450 Ancient & Medieval Jewish History
History 2451 Medieval & Early Modern Jewish History
History 2452 Modern Jewish History
History 3450 History of Ancient Israel

**Jewish Studies Elective:** 3 semester credits required.

Elective courses in Jewish Studies can be selected from the approved list of courses in German, Hebrew, History, History of Art, Jewish Studies, Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Philosophy, Political Science, and Yiddish. Course selections should be made in consultation with the director of the Jewish Studies Program. In addition, no more than 3 credits of JS 4489, JS 4498, JS 4998, JS 4998H, JS 4999, JS 4999H, JS 5797, or JS 2194/5194 may be used to meet the elective requirement.

**Jewish Studies minor program guidelines**

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hrs must be upper-level courses as defined by the College of Arts and Sciences.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed

A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE

A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

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.
- No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

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.

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