Minor in Jewish Studies

The minor in Jewish Studies provides undergraduate students with an opportunity to gain basic knowledge in Jewish Studies, with required coursework in areas of Judaism as well as Jewish History and Culture. Students will also take Jewish Studies electives in their areas of interest. The Jewish Studies minor is a great complement to a variety of majors, due to its interdisciplinary nature and flexibility.

Requirements for the Minor

Jewish Studies Minor Course Requirements

Student selecting this minor must complete a course in each of the following areas:

- **Jewish Culture or History. Satisfied by one course from the following:**
  - HEBR 410 Studies in Modern Hebrew Literature
  - YDSH 410 Studies in Modern Yiddish Literature
  - JWSH 311 Narratives of Jewish Life
  - JWSH 315 The Spanish Inquisition
  - JWSH 318 Jews and Slavs in Eastern Europe
  - JWSH 327 Jewish Secular Culture
  - JWSH 329 Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: An Introduction
  - JWSH 335 History of Jewish Women
  - JWSH 336 Jewish American Literature and Culture
  - JWSH 337 Religious Zionisms
  - JWSH 338 Languages of the Jews
  - JWSH 339 Languages of the Jews, Honors
  - JWSH 340 Topics in Modern Jewish Literature: _____
  - JWSH 341 Hitler and Nazi Germany
  - JWSH 342 Medieval to Early Modern Jewish History
  - JWSH 343 The Holocaust in History
  - JWSH 344 Modern Jewish History
  - JWSH 346 The Jewish Experience in America
  - JWSH 350 Contemporary Jewish Identities
  - JWSH 361 Jewish Film
  - JWSH 371 Archaeology of Ancient Israel
  - JWSH 382 Jerusalem Through the Ages
  - JWSH 410 Israel: From Idea to State
  - JWSH 412 Mandatory Palestine: 1920-1948
  - JWSH 414 Israel/Palestine: The War of 1948
  - JWSH 416 Israel in the First Decade
  - JWSH 420 Government of Israel
  - JWSH 422 Topics in Israeli Society: _____
  - JWSH 426 Polls and Public Opinion in Israel
  - JWSH 434 Arab-Palestinian Society, Culture and Politics
  - JWSH 440 International Relations of the Middle-East
  - JWSH 445 Local Self-Governments in Israel
  - JWSH 526 Jewish History and Literature in the Greek and Roman Periods
  - JWSH 572 Jewish Folklore, Honors
  - JWSH 590 Research Methods
  - JWSH 679 Palestinians & Israelis: Advanced Topics in
  - JWSH 681 Regimes in the Middle-East and North Africa
  - JWSH 695 Study Abroad Advanced Topics: _____

- **Jewish Religion. Satisfied by one course, for example one of the following:**
  - JWSH 321 Religion of Ancient Israel
  - JWSH 107 Jews, Christians, Muslims
  - JWSH 109 Jews, Christians, Muslims, Honors
  - JWSH 124 Understanding the Bible
  - JWSH 125 Understanding the Bible, Honors
  - JWSH 320 The Bible Then and Now
  - JWSH 325 Introduction to Judaism
  - JWSH 523 The Dead Sea Scrolls
  - JWSH 525 Jews and Christians
  - JWSH 560 Modern Jewish Thought
  - JWSH 562 Judaism and Political Theology
  - JWSH 563 Judaism and Sexuality
  - JWSH 570 Studies in Judaism

- **Electives. Satisfied by:**
  - Any other JWSH course or appropriate cross-listed or cross-referenced courses in other units. (see below)
  - 6 credit hours in Yiddish (YDSH) and/or in Hebrew (HEBR) at the 200-level or above may count among these 12 credit hours.
  - More HEBR or YDSH courses may be approved for the minor by the Jewish Studies advisor.

Minor Hours & Minor GPA

While completing all required courses, minors must also meet each of the following hour and grade-point average minimum standards:

- **Minor Hours** Satisfied by 18 hours of minor courses.
- **Minor Hours in Residence** Satisfied by a minimum of 9 junior/senior (300+) hours of KU resident credit in the minor.
- **Minor Junior/Senior (300+) Hours** Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the minor.
- **Minor Graduation GPA** Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 KU GPA in all courses in the minor. GPA calculations include all courses in the field of study including F’s and repeated courses. See the Semester/Cumulative GPA Calculator (http://clas.ku.edu/undergrad/tools/gpa/).

Courses Offered in the Jewish Studies Program
JWSH 300 Topics in Jewish Studies:______ 3
JWSH 311 Narratives of Jewish Life 3
JWSH 318 Jews and Slavs in Eastern Europe 3
JWSH 321 Religion of Ancient Israel 3
JWSH 325 Introduction to Judaism 3
JWSH 327 Jewish Secular Culture 3
JWSH 338 Languages of the Jews 3
JWSH 339 Languages of the Jews, Honors 3
JWSH 340 Topics in Modern Jewish Literature:_____ 3
JWSH 343 The Holocaust in History 3
JWSH 350 Contemporary Jewish Identities 3
JWSH 361 Jewish Film 3
JWSH 395 Study Abroad Topics in Jewish Studies:_____ 3-6

JWSH 490 Directed Study in Jewish Studies 3
JWSH 491 Directed Study in Jewish Studies, Honors 3

JWSH 523 The Dead Sea Scrolls 3
JWSH 525 Jews and Christians 3
JWSH 526 Jewish History and Literature in the Greek and Roman Periods 3

JWSH 560 Modern Jewish Thought 3
JWSH 570 Studies in Judaism 3
JWSH 572 Jewish Folklore 3
JWSH 573 Jewish Folklore, Honors 3
JWSH 600 Advanced Topics in Jewish Studies:_____ 3

JWSH 650 Service Learning in Jewish Studies 3

HEBR 110 Elementary Israeli Hebrew I 5
HEBR 120 Elementary Israeli Hebrew II 5
HEBR 177 First Year Seminar:______ 3
HEBR 210 Intermediate Israeli Hebrew I 3
HEBR 220 Intermediate Israeli Hebrew II 3
HEBR 230 Biblical Hebrew 3
HEBR 240 Biblical Hebrew II 3
HEBR 340 Advanced Israeli Hebrew I 3
HEBR 350 Advanced Israeli Hebrew II 3
HEBR 410 Studies in Modern Hebrew Literature 3
HEBR 420 Studies in Modern Hebrew 3

HEBR 490 Independent Study 1-3

YDSH 104 Elementary Yiddish I 5
YDSH 108 Elementary Yiddish II 5
YDSH 177 First Year Seminar:______ 3
YDSH 212 Intermediate Yiddish I 3
YDSH 216 Intermediate Yiddish II 3
YDSH 300 Studies in Yiddish:______ 3
YDSH 395 Study Abroad Topics in Yiddish:______ 3-6
YDSH 490 Independent Study 1-3

Cross-Referenced Courses

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