

JEWISH STUDIES, BA

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatestudytext>) section of the *Guide*.

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| General Education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breadth–Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits • Breadth–Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits • Breadth–Social Studies: 3 credits • Communication Part A Part B * • Ethnic Studies * • Quantitative Reasoning Part A Part B * |
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* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

Students pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in the College of Letters & Science must complete all of the requirements below. The College of Letters & Science allows this major to be paired with either a bachelor of arts or a bachelor of science curriculum.

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics Complete the University General Education Requirements for Quantitative Reasoning A (QR-A) and Quantitative Reasoning B (QR-B) coursework.

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| Language | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the fourth unit of a language other than English; OR • Complete the third unit of a language and the second unit of an additional language other than English. |
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| LS Breadth | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 credits of Humanities, which must include 6 credits of literature; and • 12 credits of Social Science; and • 12 credits of Natural Science, which must include one 3+ credit Biological Science course and one 3+ credit Physical Science course. |
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| Liberal Arts and Science Coursework | Complete at least 108 credits. |
| Depth of Intermediate/Advanced work | Complete at least 60 credits at the intermediate or advanced level. |
| Major | Declare and complete at least one major. |
| Total Credits | Complete at least 120 credits. |
| UW-Madison Experience | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 credits in residence, overall; and • 30 credits in residence after the 86th credit. |
| Quality of Work | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2,000 in all coursework at UW–Madison • 2,000 in Intermediate/Advanced level coursework at UW–Madison |

NON-L&S STUDENTS PURSUING AN L&S MAJOR

Non–L&S students who have permission from their school/college to pursue an additional major within L&S only need to fulfill the major requirements. They do not need to complete the L&S Degree Requirements above.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR

The Jewish Studies major requires 10 courses, totaling at least 30 credits, in 5 areas: 1) one Gateway Course; 2) two courses in Literature, Philosophy, and the Arts; 3) two courses in History and Social Science; 4) four courses in Modern Hebrew at an appropriate level; and 5) the Core Seminar. Each course may count toward only one required area.

GATEWAY COURSE

Complete one Gateway Course.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Gateway Course (complete one): | | |
| JEWISH/ LEGAL ST/ RELIG ST 203 | Jewish Law, Business, and Ethics | |
| JEWISH/ RELIG ST 211 | Introduction to Judaism | |
| JEWISH/ RELIG ST 322 | The Sabbath | |

LITERATURE, PHILOSOPHY, AND THE ARTS

Complete two courses in Literature, Philosophy, and the Arts, at least one of which must fulfill the Jewish Diaspora requirement,

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Jewish Diaspora (complete at least one course): | | |
| JEWISH/ GERMAN/ LITTRANS 269 | Yiddish Literature and Culture in Europe | |
| JEWISH/ RELIG ST 278 | Food in Rabbinic Judaism | |
| JEWISH/ GERMAN/ LITTRANS 279 | Yiddish Literature and Culture in America | |
| JEWISH/ LITTRANS 318 | Modern Jewish Literature | |
| JEWISH/ RELIG ST 340 | The American Jewish Life of DNA | |
| JEWISH/ ENGL 370 | Jewish Humor | |
| JEWISH/PHILOS/ RELIG ST 435 | Jewish Philosophy from Antiquity to the Seventeenth Century | |
| JEWISH/ AFRICAN/ MEDIEVAL/ RELIG ST 462 | Muslims and Jews | |
| JEWISH/ GERMAN 510 | German-Jewish Culture Since the 18th Century | |
| JEWISH/ ENGL 539 | Jewish Literatures in Diaspora | |
| JEWISH/ ENGL 593 | Literature of Jewish Identity in America | |
| Complete any additional Diaspora course from the list above, or any of the following: | | |
| JEWISH/ CLASSICS/ LITTRANS/ RELIG ST 227 | Introduction to Biblical Literature (in English) | |
| JEWISH 230 | Elementary Topics in Jewish Literature | |
| JEWISH 232 | Elementary Topics in Jewish Philosophy and the Arts | |
| JEWISH 236 | Bascom Course | |
| JEWISH/HEBR- MOD 301 | Introduction to Hebrew Literature | |
| JEWISH/ CLASSICS/ RELIG ST 323 | The Bible and Film: Literature and Media | |
| JEWISH/HEBR- MOD 302 | Introduction to Hebrew Literature | |
| JEWISH/ LITTRANS/ RELIG ST 328 | Classical Rabbinic Literature in Translation | |
| JEWISH/ CLASSICS/ HEBR-BIB/ LITTRANS/ RELIG ST 332 | Prophets of the Bible | |
| JEWISH/ CLASSICS/ RELIG ST 335 | King David in History and Tradition | |

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| JEWISH/ CLASSICS/ RELIG ST 346 | Jewish Literature of the Greco-Roman Period | |
| JEWISH 356 | Jerusalem, Holy City of Conflict and Desire | |
| JEWISH/ LITTRANS 367 | Israeli Fiction in Translation | |
| JEWISH/HEBR- MOD 401 | Topics in Modern Hebrew / Israeli Literature and Culture I | |
| JEWISH/HEBR- MOD 402 | Topics in Modern Hebrew / Israeli Literature and Culture II | |
| JEWISH 430 | Intermediate Topics in Jewish Literature | |
| JEWISH 432 | Intermediate Topics in Jewish Philosophy and the Arts | |
| JEWISH/ PHILOS 442 | Moral Philosophy and the Holocaust | |
| JEWISH/HEBR- BIB 513 | Biblical Texts, Poetry | |
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| JEWISH 630 | Advanced Topics in Jewish Literature | |
| JEWISH 632 | Advanced Topics in Jewish Philosophy and the Arts | |

HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

Complete two courses in History and Social Science, at least one of which must fulfill the Jews in America requirement.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Jews in America (complete at least one course): | | |
| JEWISH/ HISTORY 213 | Jews and American Pop. Culture | |
| JEWISH/ HISTORY 219 | The American Jewish Experience: From Shtetl to Suburb | |
| JEWISH/ RELIG ST 340 | The American Jewish Life of DNA | |
| Complete any additional Jews in America course from the list above, or any of the following: | | |
| JEWISH/ HISTORY 220 | Introduction to Modern Jewish History | |
| JEWISH 231 | Elementary Topics in Jewish History | |
| JEWISH/ CLASSICS 241 | Introduction to Biblical Archaeology | |
| JEWISH/ RELIG ST 278 | Food in Rabbinic Judaism | |
| JEWISH/ HISTORY 310 | The Holocaust | |
| JEWISH/ POLI SCI 341 | Israeli Politics and Society | |
| JEWISH/ILS/ SOC 423 | Modern Jewish Thought | |
| JEWISH 431 | Intermediate Topics in Jewish History | |
| JEWISH 433 | Intermediate Topics in Jewish Studies: Social Sciences | |

JEWISH/
CLASSICS 451 Biblical Archaeology

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HISTORY/
JEWISH 515 Holocaust: History, Memory and
Education

JEWISH/
HISTORY 518 Anti-Semitism in European Culture,
1700-1945

POLI SCI 529 Arab-Israeli Conflict

JEWISH 631 Advanced Topics in Jewish History

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Complete four courses in Modern Hebrew at an appropriate level.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Modern Hebrew (Complete 4 courses): | | |
| HEBR-MOD 101 | First Semester Hebrew | |
| HEBR-MOD 102 | Second Semester Hebrew | |
| HEBR-MOD 201 | Third Semester Hebrew | |
| HEBR-MOD 202 | Fourth Semester Hebrew | |
| HEBR-MOD/ JEWISH 301 | Introduction to Hebrew Literature | |
| HEBR-MOD/ JEWISH 302 | Introduction to Hebrew Literature | |
| HEBR-MOD/ JEWISH 401 | Topics in Modern Hebrew / Israeli Literature and Culture I | |
| HEBR-MOD/ JEWISH 402 | Topics in Modern Hebrew / Israeli Literature and Culture II | |

CORE SEMINAR

Complete the Core Seminar.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| JEWISH 350 | What Is Jewish Studies? | |

NOTE ON DIRECTED STUDY

With prior consent of the undergraduate advisor in Jewish studies and the relevant instructor, students may use one Directed Study course (JEWISH 699) to satisfy a requirement for the major.

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- 2.000 GPA in all JEWISH courses and all courses accepted in the major
- 2.000 GPA on 15 upper-level major credits, taken in residence. Upper-level work includes all Intermediate or Advanced level courses in the Jewish Studies major.
- 15 credits in JEWISH, taken on campus

HONORS IN THE MAJOR

Students may declare Honors in the Major in consultation with the Jewish Studies undergraduate advisor.

HONORS IN THE JEWISH STUDIES MAJOR: REQUIREMENTS

To earn Honors in the Major students must satisfy both the requirements for the major and the following additional requirements:

- Earn a 3.300 University GPA
- Earn a 3.500 GPA for all JEWISH courses, and all courses accepted in the major
- Complete at least two courses, taken for Honors, in the major, with grades of B or better in each
- Complete a two-semester Senior Honors Thesis, a piece of original research composition, in JEWISH 681 and JEWISH 682, for a total of 6 credits.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total Degree To receive a bachelor's degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

Residency Degree candidates are required to earn a minimum of 30 credits in residence at UW–Madison. "In residence" means on the UW–Madison campus with an undergraduate degree classification. "In residence" credit also includes UW–Madison courses offered in distance or online formats and credits earned in UW–Madison Study Abroad/Study Away programs.

Quality of Work Undergraduate students must maintain the minimum grade point average specified by the school, college, or academic program to remain in good academic standing. Students whose academic performance drops below these minimum thresholds will be placed on academic probation.