

Fiscal Unit/Academic Org	Melton Ctr for Jewish Studies - D0508
Administering College/Academic Group	Arts And Sciences
Co-administering College/Academic Group	Humanities
Semester Conversion Designation	Converted with minimal changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements (e.g., sub-plan/specialization name changes, changes in electives and/or prerequisites, minimal changes in overall structure of program, minimal or no changes in program goals or content)
Current Program/Plan Name	Jewish Studies
Proposed Program/Plan Name	Jewish Studies
Program/Plan Code Abbreviation	JEWSHST-BA
Current Degree Title	Bachelor of Arts

Credit Hour Explanation

Program credit hour requirements		A) Number of credit hours in current program (Quarter credit hours)	B) Calculated result for 2/3rds of current (Semester credit hours)	C) Number of credit hours required for proposed program (Semester credit hours)	D) Change in credit hours
Total minimum credit hours required for completion of program		50	33.3	31	2.3
Required credit hours offered by the unit	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	0	0.0	0	0.0
Required credit hours offered outside of the unit	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	0	0.0	0	0.0
Required prerequisite credit hours not included above	Minimum	20	13.3	12	1.3
	Maximum	20	13.3	12	1.3

Program Learning Goals

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

Program Learning Goals

- 1. Students will be able to compare and contrast themes from the canonical works of the Tanach and rabbinic literature.
- 2. Students will be able to describe significant events in Jewish history from ancient times through contemporary world
- 3. Students will be able to read and translate select Hebrew texts in the original language
- 4. Students will develop an appreciation for modern Jewish literature, film, politics and thought
- 5. Students will apply basic analytical, bibliographical, and communication skills while researching issues in Jewish Studies

Assessment

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? Yes

Does the degree program or major have an assessment plan on file with the university Office of Academic Affairs? Yes

Summarize how the program's current quarter-based assessment practices will be modified, if necessary, to fit the semester calendar.
no modifications other than changing quarter activities to semesters will be necessary

Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

Pre-Major

Does this Program have a Pre-Major? No

Attachments

- Mattltr.pdf: letter from program
(Letter from Program-offering Unit. Owner: Stein, David S)
- Program RationaleMajpr[1].docx: rationale
(Program Rationale Statement. Owner: Stein, David S)
- Advising Plan in Qtrs.doc: advising sheet qtrs
(Quarter Advising Sheet(s). Owner: Stein, David S)
- transition planMAJ.docx: transition policy
(Transition Policy. Owner: Stein, David S)
- Semester Courses.doc: JS semester courses
(List of Semester Courses. Owner: Stein, David S)
- curriculum mapJSM.doc: curriculum map
(Curricular Map(s). Owner: Stein, David S)
- Major In Jewish Studies advising plan-1.doc: Semester advising plan JS
(Semester Advising Sheet(s). Owner: Stein, David S)
- A and H CL.JewishStud.doc: A and H Cover Letter
(Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Williams, Valarie Lucille)

Comments

- 7/4/11 changed credit hours to 31
added additional Hebrew language courses . Some Hebrew courses are 4 semester hours.
Changed requirement for internship limited to three hours
added statement about Yiddish in the electives section of the advising sheet *(by Stein, David S on 07/04/2011 05:05 PM)*
- Feedback will come via e-mail from Professor Mitch Masters, chair of the A&H2 Subcommittee. *(by Vankeerbergen, Bernadette Chantal on 06/08/2011 04:12 PM)*

Workflow Information

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June 6, 2011

Lawrence Krissek, Professor of Earth Sciences
Faculty Chair, Committee on Curriculum and Instruc
College of Arts and Sciences

Dear Larry,

The Curriculum Committee of the Melton Center for Jewish Studies, led by Professor Matthew Goldish, Melton Center Chair in Jewish History, has completed and submitted its proposals for the semester versions of its programs:

B.A. in Jewish Studies
Minor in Jewish Studies
Minor in Jewish Oral History--new

The programs were reviewed and unanimously approved by the Arts and Humanities Disciplinary Advisory Panel for Curriculum within the College of Arts and Sciences on June 1, 2011. Please note that since these programs cross multiple units, only the first line on the PACER chart has been completed except for the prerequisite lines on the BA, and also note that the Jewish Studies BA filed an Assessment Plan with OAA verified October 15, 2010.

Most specifically, I have highlighted changes for the programs below:

BA in Jewish Studies: The BA in Jewish Studies was established and approved by CAA previous to 2006 as there are no electronic ASC or CAA records that indicate approval or revision after 2006. The program converted from 50 quarter credit hours to 30 semester credit hours and maintained its quarter requirements of four categories: Jewish Thought and Practice, 2 courses from the same selected list of four units; Hebrew Language and Literature, 2 courses beyond the 1103 pre-requisite from any Hebrew course taught in the language; Jewish History, 3 courses of the x330 series; and 3 courses from an Electives category. They are retaining the quarter-system pre-requisite of Hebrew at the 1103 (104) proficiency and the exemption for students who have also completed Yiddish 1103 (104) proficiency to only take 2 courses from the Elective Category. The transition plan will count any quarter course on the semester version of the proposal.

Minor in Jewish Studies: The Minor in Jewish Studies was established and approved by CAA previous to 2006 as there are no electronic ASC or CAA records that indicate approval or revision after 2006. There were minor revisions to the program. The program converted from 25 quarter credit hours to 15 semester credit hours and maintained the requirement of four categories, but changed one of the names of the categorical requirements: Jewish Thought and Practice (formerly Jewish Philosophy), 1 course from a selected list (the same as the BA); Hebrew or Yiddish, 2 courses from any Hebrew or Yiddish course taught *in English*; Jewish History, 1 course of the x330 series; and 1 course from a Jewish Studies Electives category. The minor required five courses on the quarter system, and will translate to five courses on the semester system. Quarter courses will be applied toward the minor in semesters.

Minor in Jewish Oral History: The Minor in Jewish Oral History is a new program that the Melton Center for Jewish Studies has created. The minor comes out of the projects in oral history that faculty and students have created together over the past two years and that were funded by private donors. The affiliated faculty with the Center, and the Chairs and Directors of English, Folklore, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Germanic Languages and Literatures, Philosophy, and History have all contributed courses to the minor program and provided feedback and unanimous support of the new program. This is the first program of its kind in the country that uses oral history, and the application of those methods, to the gathering of the stories of survivors of the Holocaust and the displacement of Jewish immigrants. The program is four courses, 12 credit hours, and will begin under the semester system in Summer 2012.

We are sending these undergraduate programs forward for review and approval in the next stage of curricular review at the Arts and Sciences Committee on Curriculum and Instruction. The courses that are specific to all of the programs are listed under multiple Book 3 Listings. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email me at 292-5727 or williams.1415@osu.edu.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Valarie Williams, M.F.A., Ph.D.

Professor of Dance

Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Arts and Humanities

cc: Matthew Goldish, Professor and Director, Melton Center for Jewish Studies
David Stein, Associate Professor and affiliated faculty Melton Center for Jewish Studies
Mark Shanda, Professor and Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Arts and Humanities



4 June 2011

Dear Valarie, Larry, and Committee Members,

On behalf of the faculty of the Melton Center for Jewish Studies I would like to move that the semester versions of the **major and minor in Jewish Studies and the new minor in Jewish Oral History** be approved by the Council on Academic Affairs.

Our Curriculum Committee met to discuss the major and minor in Jewish Studies and the new minor in Jewish Oral History. The committee decided that the JS major and minor were essentially fine the way they were. The only changes the committee recommended were to consider including a wider range of courses to fulfill some of the requirements (some of these courses are new in recent years), and to make minor changes in JS 201. The committee was also happy with the proposal for the new minor but left the details of its constituent courses up to Professor Shuman and me.

At the Melton Center faculty meeting on 26 May 2011 I discussed these semester conversion matters with the full board. After very brief discussion we received the board's approval of the recommendations from the committee and those working on the new minor. We also added one other small change, a request to make the Jewish Studies internship repeatable for two semesters, based on recent experience with this course.

Many thanks for your help with this process!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matt Goldish".

Matt Goldish

Director of the Melton Center for Jewish Studies

Program Rationale:

Jewish studies were introduced at The Ohio State University in the fall of 1966 with the establishment of the Samuel and Esther Melton Chair in Jewish History and Institutions. In the fall of 1976, the Samuel M. Melton Center for Jewish Studies was established at The Ohio State University. The Jewish Studies BA program provides undergraduate majors with general knowledge of Judaism, Jewish culture and history from ancient times to the present. Given the large number of Jewish and non Jewish students on The Ohio State University campus, there is interest in learning how Judaism has contributed to our global civilization and how Judaism serves as foundation for other religious systems. The overall goal of the Jewish Studies Major is to: prepare students for careers in the rabbinate, Jewish education, Jewish communal service, and graduate careers in which training in language, culture, and history would enhance academic and professional preparation.

In preparation for the semester system, we converted from quarters with minimal changes to program goals and curricular activities. Given that our program is interdisciplinary, we reviewed the courses within the Jewish Studies Major and within the departments that provide courses for the major. We decided to add a few new courses to enhance our undergraduate research sequence and a 5000 level group studies option. Under semesters the BA in Jewish Studies will remain the same in terms of the number of courses in the major as it was under quarters.

Course Number	Course Title	Semester Credits	Notes	Quarter Course Number and Credits
JS 2201	Introduction to Jewish Culture Thought and Practice	3		JS 201 (5cr)
JS 2194	Group Studies	3	Repeatable to a max of 9 credit hours	JS 294 (1-5 crs)
JS 4191	Internship in Jewish Studies	1-3	Repeatable to a max of 6 credit hrs	JS 489 (1-5 crs)
JS 4798	Study Tour	1-9		JS 498 (1-15 crs)
JS 4998	Undergraduate Project	1-3	Repeatable to a max of 9 credit hrs	New course
JS 4998 (H)	Honors Project Research	1-3	Repeatable to a max of 9 credit hrs	JS 783 H (5-15 crs)
JS 4999	Undergraduate Research	1-3	Repeatable to a max of 9 credit hrs	New course
JS 4999H	Honors Thesis Research	1-3	Repeatable to a max of 9 credit hrs	New course
JS 5613	American Jewish Experience	3		JS 613 (3 crs)
JS 5194	Group Studies	1-3	Repeatable to a max of 9 credit hours	JS 694 (1-5 crs)
JS 5797	Study at a Foreign Institution	1-9	Repeatable to a max of 30 credit hours	JS 697 (1-15 crs)

Jewish Studies

Semester Advising Sheet

Jewish Studies Major (converted with minimal changes)

Students enrolling in the Jewish Studies Major will take courses in four content areas: Jewish Thought and Practice, Hebrew Language and Literature, Jewish History, and Electives in Jewish Studies. Three semesters of Hebrew are required prior to admission to the major. Thirty semester credits are required to complete the program.

Hebrew Language Prerequisite:

Hebrew 1101	4 semester credits	or equivalent	Elementary Hebrew
Hebrew 1102	4 semester credits	or equivalent	Elementary Hebrew
Hebrew 1103	4 semester credits	or equivalent	Intermediate Hebrew

Jewish Thought and Practice: 6 semester credits required. Students may select two courses from the following:

JS 2201	3 semester credits	Introduction to Jewish Culture Thought and Practice	
Philo 3311	3 semester credits	Introduction to Jewish Philosophy	
Philo 3351	3 semester credits	Jewish Mysticism	
Philo 5870	3 semester credits	Topics in Jewish Philosophy	
Hebrew 2216	3 semester credits	The medieval Jewish Experience	
Hebrew 2210	3 semester credits	The Jewish Mystical Tradition	

Hebrew Language & Literature: 7 semester credits required. Two courses must be beyond the 1103 level in the original language.

Hebrew 2105	4 semester credits	Mod Grammar Conversation and Composition	
Hebrew 4101	3 semester credits	Review of Grammar and Conversation	
Hebrew 4102	4 semester credits	Hebrew and the Media	

Jewish History: 9 semester credits required. One course must be above the 2000 level.

History 2450	3 semester credits	Ancient and Medieval Jewish History, 300 BCE-1100 CE
History 2451	3 semester credits	Medieval and Early Modern Jewish History, 700-1700 CE
History 2452	3 semester credits	Modern Jewish History, 1700 to Present
History 3450	3 semester credits	History of Ancient Israel (to 300 BCE)

Jewish Study Electives: 9 credits required. Three courses are required at the 2000 level or above, with at least two courses at the 3000 level or above. Group Studies and/ or Jewish Studies Internship and/ or Jewish Studies Research Project may be applied toward the elective requirement. JS 2194 is limited to three semester hours. JS 4191 is limited to three semester credit hours. JS 4998 and 4998H are limited to three semester hours. JS 4999 and JS 4999H are limited to 3 semester hours. JS 5194 is limited to three semester hours. Hours for JS 5797 should be discussed with Director of the Jewish Studies Program. Students who have completed Yiddish 1101-1103 need only complete 6 semester credits at the 3000 level or above.

JS 2194	3 semester hours	Group Studies
JS 4191	3 semester hours	Internship in Jewish Studies
JS 4798	3 semester hours	Study Tour
JS 4998	3 semester hours	Undergraduate Project
JS 4998H	3 semester hours	Honors Research Project
JS 4999	3 semester hours	Undergraduate Research
JS 4999H	3 semester hours	Honors Thesis Research
JS 5194	3 semester hours	Group Studies
JS 5613	3 semester hours	American Jewish Experience
JS 5797	1-9 semester hours	Study at a Foreign Institution
History 3353	3 semester hours	Jewish Communities under Islamic Rule
History 3455	3 semester credits	Jewish Life from the Renaissance to the Early Enlightenment
Hebrew 2209	3 semester credits	The world of the Rabbis
Hebrew 2700	3 semester credits	Biblical and Post-biblical Hebrew Literature in Translation
Hebrew 4601	3 semester credits	Modern Hebrew Short Story
Hebrew 4605	3 semester credits	Readings in the Mishnah
History 3460	3 semester credits	European Jewish History, 1789-1989

History 3465 3 semester credits American Jewish History

Additional 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.

Total Semester Credit Hours Required: 31

Academics

Undergraduate Information

Requirements for Jewish Studies Major

Undergraduate students can develop a comprehensive and well-rounded interdisciplinary major in Jewish Studies. This 50-hour major calls for:

Four quarters of Hebrew language (101-104) or its equivalent as the basis upon which the major program rests. In addition, the following are required:

A. Jewish Thought and Practice.

Two courses chosen from Jewish Studies 201, Philosophy 321, Philosophy 323, Philosophy 521, Hebrew 376, or CMRS/Hebrew 216 10 hours

B. Hebrew Language and Literature

Two courses beyond the 104 level in the original language.

C. Jewish History

Two of these must be chosen from History 330.01, 330.02 and 530.02. At least one course must be taken at the 500 level or above. 15 hours

D. Jewish Study Electives

Courses must be at the 200 level or above, with at least 10 hours at the 400 level or above. Jewish Studies 489 (Jewish Internship) may be applied toward the elective requirement. (Students who have completed Yiddish 101-104 need only complete 10 elective hours, 5 of which must be at the 400 level or above). 15 hours

Total: 50 hours



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Transition Plan for Jewish Studies Majors
Melton Center for Jewish Studies

The Jewish Studies Program is committed to enabling students to complete the major begun under the quarter system without delay or disruption to their current program plan of study.

The Program has established general principles that assist students in the major through the transition:

1. The Program Director, Jewish Studies will consider the needs of the student in relationship to program requirements. The proposed major has the same number of courses in semesters as in quarters. Courses that were available to the student in quarters are available to the student in semesters.
2. The semester program has not added any new requirements for the major.
3. In the event that there is a conflict with required courses or a course is not offered, the program director will work with the individual student to find a suitable course replacement, group study option, or independent study project which meets the intent of the major requirements.
4. Students currently enrolled in the major will receive a document listing new course numbers.
5. Given that the major requirements have not substantially changed from the requirements in the quarter system, there should be few if any issues regarding the transition. In cases where a course offered by units outside Jewish Studies is not available, a suitable substitute course meeting the intent of the original quarter course will be used. If a course is not available, an individualized study experience will be designed for the student. The Program Director in consultation with Jewish Studies faculty in allied units will determine alternative courses or independent study experiences.

Curriculum Map

Major in Jewish Studies					
Required Courses (offered by the unit)	Goal 1 <i>Students will be able to compare and contrast themes from the canonical works of the Tanach and rabbinic literature.</i>	Goal 2 <i>Students will be able to describe significant events in Jewish history from ancient times through contemporary world</i>	Goal 3 <i>Students will be able to read and translate select Hebrew texts in the original language</i>	Goal 4 <i>Students will develop an appreciation for modern Jewish literature, film, politics and thought</i>	Goal 5 <i>Students will apply basic analytical, bibliographical, and communication skills while researching issues in Jewish Studies</i>
Pre-Requisite Language three semesters of Hebrew at the 1000 level					
Hebrew 1101			B		
Hebrew 1102			B		
Hebrew 1103			B		
Required Courses (offered by the unit)					
JS 2201	B	B		B	B
Required Courses (offered outside of the unit)					
Philo 3311				I	
Philo 3351				I	
Philo 5870				I	
Hebrew 2216			I		
Hebrew 2210			I		
Hebrew 2105			I		
Hebrew 4102			A		
History 2450	I	I			
History 2451	I	I			
History 2452	I	I			
History 3450		I			
Elective Courses, Tracks, Categories, or Baskets of Courses					

(may be offered inside or outside of unit)					
JS 2194	B	B	B	B	B
JS 4191	A	A	A	A	A
JS 4798	I-A	I-A	I-A	I-A	I-A
JS 4998	A	A	A	A	A
JS 4998H	A	A	A	A	A
JS 4999	A	A	A	A	A
JS 4999H	A	A	A	A	A
JS 5194	A	A	A	A	A
JS 5613		A			
JS 5797	I-A	I-A	I-A	I-A	I-A
History 3353		I		I	
History 3455		I			
Hebrew 2209	I				
Hebrew 2700	I				
Hebrew 2210		I		I	
Hebrew 4101			I		
Hebrew 4102			I		
Hebrew 4601			A	A	
Hebrew 4605	A		A	A	
History 3460		I			
History 3465		I			

Note. See the Arts and Science Plan for specific courses that will meet the General Education Requirements. Other courses may be selected as electives with approval of the Program Director of Jewish Studies,

