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Subject: Revisions Hebrew and Jewish Studies Major, Hebrew Minor, Jewish Studies Minor, Jewish Oral History Minor
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Dear Naomi and Jeremie,

On Wednesday, April 3, the Arts and Humanities 2 Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed proposals to revise the following programs: Hebrew and Jewish Studies Major, Hebrew Minor, Jewish Studies Minor, and Jewish Oral History Minor.

The Panel unanimously approved all the program revisions. Indeed, the Panel members all indicated that the intended changes are sound and well thought through. That said, there are many discrepancies (e.g. discrepancies between courses listed on a college advising sheet vs. the departmental advising sheet) and small mistakes throughout the proposals that should be addressed so that all subsequent committees can review clean documents. This will also guarantee that everyone knows which exact version of a proposed program will be implemented going forward.

For your convenience, I am cutting/pasting the feedback underneath my email as well attaching it as a separate Word document.

The last ASC Curriculum Committee meeting of the semester is scheduled for Friday, April 19. As always, you are invited to attend the meeting. To guarantee that our committee members have the necessary time to read your proposed revisions, *could you please send me the revised proposals no later than Monday, April 15—that is, one week from today.*

If you have any questions about the feedback of the Panel, do not hesitate to contact Carmen Taleghani-Nikazm, or me.

Best,
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1. Hebrew and Jewish Studies Major Revision

- Explain very briefly (one sentence or so) what will happen to the current 4 Hebrew majors. Will they finish their current major or be given the choice to switch to the new major if they so wish?
- Specify in the proposal whether the department wants those two specializations to be transcriptable or not. The Registrar will need to know that information.
- P.2 The maximum for both OSU revised combined tracks is 32 credits (not 33), isn't it?
- P. 5: Current Hebrew major sheet: "18 of the total 32 credit hours must be acquired through instruction at OSU." Since the rule is that at least 50% of the credit hours in a major need to have been taken at OSU, that sentence should refer to 16, instead of 18.
- Please be aware that it is possible to end up taking the exact same courses in both tracks.
- P. 7: Proposed new major language track sheet:
 - Paragraph under "HJS Language Track Requirements" refers to the "minor." This should read "major."
 - The number of credit hours next to "Major language" heading should be 4, not 3. (Hebrew 2105 is a 4 credit hours.)
 - Pp. 7-8: Remove Hebrew 4102 from limbo, or remove course from all course lists.
- P. 9: Proposed new major Jewish Studies track sheet:
 - Paragraph under "HJS Jewish Studies Track Requirements" states that the major may include as many as 33 hours. This should be corrected to 32. Also, the paragraph refers to the "minor." This should read "major."
 - The number of credit hours next to "JS Track Major Electives" heading should be 21-22, not 21. (Hebrew 4101 is a 4 credit hours.)
 - Hebrew 4102 is in limbo.
 - "The Bible as Literature: Selected Readings" is Hebrew 5602 (not 5601).
 - Please add the course listing (i.e., "Hebrew") in front of "5603 Readings in Rabbinic Literature."
 - P. 10: History 3460 is in limbo.
- P. 14: Language track 4-year plan:
 - Year 1, semester 1: "Hebrew 2241, 2700, 2201, 3516." Three of these are cross-listed with other courses. 2201 is a JS course, not a Hebrew course. Yiddish/JS 2241 should be included in the list as well.
 - Year 3, semester 1: Hebrew 4101 is the course selected for the language track. The other one listed, Hebrew 5101, is not fulfilling the language requirement, so should not be listed there.
- P. 15: JS track 4-year plan:
 - Year 1, semester 1: "Hebrew 2241, 2700, 2201, 3516." Three of these are cross-listed with other courses. 2201 is a JS course, not a Hebrew course. Yiddish/JS 2241 should be included in the list as well.

2. Hebrew Minor Revision

- P. 4: Revised ASC advising sheet:
 - Hebrew 110.01 should read 1101.01.
 - Hebrew 4102 is in limbo.
 - Hebrew 3705: Correct title is "Israeli Society and the Holocaust."
- P. 5: Revised departmental advising sheet:

“Half of the total hours in the minor must be acquired through instruction at OSU.” This is an incorrect statement. For minors, whatever the number of credits in the minor, only 6 credits can be taken outside of OSU. Please use the sentence that is on the college advising sheet: “A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.”

- Hebrew 4102 is in limbo.

3. Jewish Studies Minor Revision

- P. 2: Paragraph on “Updating core courses”:
 - “in NELC and other department”: last word should be plural
 - “Of the six courses that currently fulfill the ‘Jewish Thought and Practice’ requirement . . . : There are currently seven courses.
 - “‘Jewish Cultures and Literatures,’ which includes four courses that cover the span . . . : There are five courses listed.
- P. 2: Paragraph on “Decreasing total credits for the minor”:
 - “and two upper-division courses that will examine specific topics in Jewish Studies in greater depth”: Some of those courses are lower-division.
- P. 5: ASC advising sheet:
 - The following courses listed on the sheet are in limbo: Hebrew 4102 & 4605, History 3460, and Philosophy 5870.
 - Under History electives, 3450 is listed twice.
 - Hebrew 3210 should be listed in the electives.
 - Religious Studies 3210 should be listed in the electives.
 - Jewish Studies 3703, 3704, and 3708 should be listed in the electives.
 - History 5613, JS 3120 and 3209, Philosophy 2251 are listed on the ASC advising sheet but not on the departmental advising sheet.
 - Hebrew & Jewish Studies 3516 and Yiddish 4402 are on the departmental advising sheet under the electives but not on the ASC advising sheet.
 - In the right column, in the “credit hours required” paragraph:
 - States that the minor is a minimum of 13-14 hours. In actuality, the minor is at least 12-14 credit hours.
 - Add: At least 6 credit hours must be upper-level courses as defined by the College of Arts and Sciences.
- P. 6: Departmental advising sheet:
 - “Half of the total hours in the minor must be acquired through instruction at OSU.” This is an incorrect statement. For minors, whatever the number of credits in the minor, only 6 credits can be taken outside of OSU. Please use the sentence that is on the college advising sheet: “A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.”
 - Please add the course listing (i.e., “Hebrew/JS”) in front of “2700 Hebrew Bible in Translation.”
 - Please add the course listing (i.e., “Hebrew/JS”) in front of “2241 Culture of Contemporary Israel.” The JS version is 2242.
 - The credit range next to minor elective should be 6-8 (not 6-7).
 - Hebrew 4101 is a 4 credit course (not 3).

- Hebrew 4102 is in limbo.
- History 5613, JS 3120 and 3209, Philosophy 2251 are listed on the ASC advising sheet but not on the departmental advising sheet.
 - Hebrew & Jewish Studies 3516 and Yiddish 4402 are on the departmental advising sheet under the electives but not on the ASC advising sheet.
 - Yiddish 4721, a literature course, is listed twice under the language electives (very likely a mistake because it is not a language elective).
 - P. 7: The same course is listed under the non-language electives, but should only be listed once (not twice).
 - History 3460 is in limbo.
 - Hebrew/JS 3210 are cross-listed with Religious Studies. Please indicate as much.

4. Jewish Oral History Minor Revision

- P. 4: ASC advising sheet:
 - The following courses listed on the sheet are in limbo: History 3460 (both in the History & Culture section and the electives list), Philosophy 3351 and 5870.
 - History 5613, JS 3120 and 3209 are listed on the ASC advising sheet but not on the departmental advising sheet.
 - The Political Science course is 4327, not 5870.
- P. 5: Departmental advising sheet:
 - History 3460 (both in the History & Culture section and the electives list) is in limbo.
 - Hebrew 3705 is listed on the departmental advising sheet as an elective but not on the ASC advising sheet.
 - Yiddish 3371 is listed twice under the electives.