

Jewish Studies Certificate

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Overview

The Jewish Studies Certificate program is open to all students interested in the Hebrew language and the history and culture of the Jewish people. This course of study offers undergraduates the opportunity to supplement their academic major with an interdisciplinary course of study in Jewish Studies. Satisfactory completion of the certificate satisfies the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences requirement of a related area.

Requirements

The certificate program requires 16 credits, dependent upon initial Hebrew language placement. The credits are distributed as follows

Hebrew language

Three credits in Hebrew language at Hebrew 2 or above.

JS 0013 Elementary Hebrew 1

JS 0014 Elementary Hebrew 2

JS 0025 Intermediate Hebrew 3

JS00026 Intermediate Hebrew 4

* This course does not count toward the certificate; this course is a prerequisite to enrolling in Hebrew 2

Jewish Studies courses

At least three Jewish Studies courses. One of these courses can be a Hebrew language course. A non-JS course that has significant Jewish Studies content can count for one of the three courses with approval from the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Capstone

At least three credits in a capstone project, additional advanced coursework, or experiential learning through one of the following courses.

JS 1900 Internship

JS 1903 Directed Research

JS 1904 Undergraduate Teaching Assistantship

JS 1905 Undergraduate Research Assistantship

Advanced work in Hebrew at the Hebrew 5 level or beyond

Submission of a capstone research paper on a Jewish Studies topic written for a major or another certificate

Portfolio Essay

One credit of JS 1901 Independent Study taken in the final semester of work for certificate (can be concurrent with capstone) in which student develops reflective essay and portfolio of work in Jewish Studies under direction of certificate advisor.

Independent Study