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Ph.D. Minor in Jewish Studies

The Jewish Studies Program has as its objective the study of Jewish civilization from antiquity to the present and its interaction with and impact on world civilization. The program draws on the many disciplines necessary to study the multifaceted Jewish experience, thus bringing a variety of approaches to the study of Jewish civilization. The contributing departments include Anthropology, Comparative Literature, English, Folklore and Ethnomusicology, Germanic Studies, History, Institute for Biblical and Literary Studies, Linguistics, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Philosophy, Political Science, and Religious Studies. Because of the interdisciplinary nature of the Jewish Studies Program, the structure of course work will vary according to each student's areas of interest and departmental requirements. Departmental concentrations, such as modern Jewish history (History), Biblical interpretation (Religious Studies) or Judaism and Christianity in Antiquity (Religious Studies), can be pursued in conjunction with the Jewish studies doctoral minor. Students may choose to concentrate on Jewish thought, Holocaust studies, Sephardic studies, or Yiddish studies.

Course Requirements
Fifteen (15) hours of graduate credit in courses on Jewish Studies. All students are required to take a core course, H520 Colloquium in Jewish History. No more than two courses may be taken in the student's home department. No more than 6 credit hours of individualized readings can be applied to the minor. No more than eight (8) hours of transfer credit from another institution may be applied to the minor. With permission from a student’s home department, students may pursue an intensive minor in Jewish studies. The selection of courses must be made in consultation with the academic advisor approved by the Jewish Studies Associate Director or Academic Advisor.
**Minor in Yiddish**
Students may complete a Ph.D. minor in Yiddish through the Department of Germanic Studies. Requirements include 12 credits, consisting of GER-Y 502, GER-Y 503, GER-Y 504, 3 remaining credits to be chosen from GER-Y 505, GER-Y 506, GER-Y 815, and other courses focusing on non-language Yiddish topics.

**Grades**
Courses in which a student receives less than a B (3.0) will not count toward the minor.

**Courses**

**Jewish Studies**

**H500 Topics in Jewish Studies (3 cr.)** Intensive study of selected topics and issues in Jewish Studies. May be repeated with different topics for credit.

**H520 Colloquium in Jewish History (4 cr.)** (Topics in the history of Judaism and the Jews in modern times.)

**H595 Directed Readings in Jewish Studies (1-3 cr.)** Directed readings in various topics in Jewish Studies; topics, credit hours, and readings to be determined in consultation with faculty member with whom the student wishes to work. May be repeated.

**Anthropology**

**E332 Jewish Women: Anthropological Perspectives (3 cr.)**
**E334 Jews in Moslem Society (3 cr.)**
**E371 Modern Jewish Culture and Society (3 cr.)**
**E600 Seminar in Cultural and Social Anthropology (3 cr.)** Topics: Ethnicities of Israel; The Jewish Family; Jewish Women; Migrations and Diasporas:. Reproduction, Culture and Identity.
**E682 Memory and Culture (3 cr.)**

**Comparative Literature**

**C545 The Bible and Western Literature (4 cr.)** (when topic focuses on Hebrew Bible) Topics: The Poetics of Biblical Narrative; Prophecy and Poetry.

**English**

**L761 American Poetry (4 cr.)** Topic: Conceptualizing Culture after Auschwitz
**L780 Special Studies in English and American Literature (4 cr.)** Topic: Literature of the Holocaust

**Germanic Studies**

**Y501 Beginning Yiddish I (3 cr.)**
**Y502 Beginning Yiddish II (3 cr.)**
**Y503 Intermediate Yiddish I (3 cr.)**
**Y504 Intermediate Yiddish II (3 cr.)**

**Y505 Topics in Yiddish Literature (3 cr.)** Topic: Fantasy, Realism, and Fiction: The First Century of Modern Yiddish Literature, 1810-1913.
Y506 Topics in Yiddish Culture (3 cr.) Topics: Aspects of Modern Yiddish Culture, 1880-1980; Ghetto, Shtetl, and Beyond: 800 Years of the History and Sociology of Yiddish; History and Society of Yiddish; Yiddish in America.

Y815 Individual Readings in Yiddish Studies: Language, Literature and Culture (1-4 cr.)

History

H523 The Holocaust (3 cr.)

The courses below are cross-listed in Jewish Studies when they pertain to Jewish history:

H620 Colloquium: Modern Western European History (4 cr.) Topic: Jews and Cosmopolitanism in Modern European Intellectual History; Jews in Modern Europe
H640 Colloquium in Russian History (4 cr.)
H645 Colloquium in East European History (4 cr.)
H680 Colloquium in Cultural History (4 cr.)
H720 Seminar: Modern Western European History (4 cr.)
H740 Seminar in Russian History (4 cr.)
H745 Seminar in East European History (4 cr.)
H780 Seminar in Cultural History (4 cr.)

Institute for Biblical and Literary Studies

I600 Colloquium in Biblical and Literary Studies (4 cr.) (when topic focuses on Hebrew Bible)

Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

H500 Elementary Hebrew I (2 cr.)
H550 Elementary Hebrew II (2 cr.)
H590 Intensive Elementary Hebrew (4 cr.)
H600 Intermediate Hebrew I (3 cr.)
H650 Intermediate Hebrew II (3 cr.)
H670 Advanced Hebrew I (3 cr.)
H680 Advanced Hebrew II (3 cr.)
N471 Biblical Hebrew I (3 cr.)
N472 Biblical Hebrew II (3 cr.)
N473 Biblical Hebrew III (3 cr.)
N511 Foreign Study in Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (2-8 cr.)
N517 Biblical Hebrew IV (3 cr.)
N587 Modern Hebrew Literature in English (3 cr.)
N588 Recent Hebrew Literature in English (3 cr.)
N591 Directed Readings in Hebrew (1-6 cr.)
N691 Research in Medieval Hebrew Texts (3 cr.)
N695 Graduate Topics in Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (1-4 cr.) Topics: Biblical Themes in Modern Hebrew Literature in English, Modern Hebrew Literature in English, Recent Hebrew Literature in English, S. Y. Agnon and the Jewish Experience.

N708 Seminar in Judaic Literature (4 cr.)
N720 M.A. Thesis (cr. arr.)*

**These courses are eligible for a deferred grade.
Philosophy

P522 Topics in the History of Modern Philosophy (3 cr.) (when topics focus on Jewish philosophy).

P535 Phenomenology and Existentialism (3 cr.) Topic: Emmanuel Levinas: Ethics as a First Philosophy.

P590 Intensive Readings (1-3 cr.) Topics: Alienation and Redemption in Early 20th Century European Culture and Jewish Thought; Alienation and Community: Judaism, Philosophy, Religious Thought and Literature in Europe, 1900-1940; Franz Rosenzweig and Emmanuel Levinas; Philosophy and Religious Thought after the Holocaust; Judaism, Philosophy, and Religious Thought in Europe, 1900-1940; Responses to the Holocaust: Philosophy, Religion, Ethics, Film, Politics and Historiography.

Religious Studies

R511 Religion of Ancient Israel (3 cr.) Topics: Studies in Religion (History of God; Issues in the Study of the Hebrew Bible); Narrative in the Hebrew Bible; Topics in Ancient Israelite Religion.

R 521 Judaism and Gender Studies in Early Christianity (3 cr.) Topic: Ancient Mediterranean Religions.

(The courses below are cross-listed in Jewish Studies when they pertain to the Hebrew Bible):

R610 Studies in Biblical Literature and Religion (3 cr.)
R615 The Bible in Literature Courses (3 cr.)
R663 History of Biblical Interpretation (3 cr.)
R763 History of Biblical Interpretation (3 cr.)
R793 Advanced Biblical Study (1-3 cr.)

Slavic Languages and Literature

R545 Jewish Characters in Russian Literature (3 cr.)