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**Proposed Revisions to the Major and Minor in Jewish Studies**

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to propose revisions to the undergraduate major and minor in **Jewish Studies**, which are housed in the Department of Religious Studies. The reason for this request is to reduce from four required language courses to two language courses required for the major, as well as the addition of the RELI 211, 212 sequence as a method of satisfying the requirement. We are also adding to and reorganizing the list of courses that can be taken to fulfill the major. Regarding the minor we are making additions and reorganizing the list of the courses that can be taken to fulfill the minor.

An edited version of the Undergraduate Bulletin section describing the major concentration and the minor is attached.

The Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Religious Studies, where all the new courses are listed, and the faculty members teaching the courses have been contacted for their approval, with no objection.

Please let me know if you have any questions.





Thank you for your attention and consideration

Sincerely yours

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## B.A. Major in Religious Studies: Jewish Studies Concentration

### Core Requirements

- JWST 100/RELI 123
- JWST 697
-  One course on the ancient period chosen from CLAR/JWST/RELI 110, 512; JWST/RELI 103, 106, 109, 206, 211, 212, 503, 602; RELI 109, 211, 212, 78, 201, 608
-  One course on the medieval or early modern period chosen from GERM 225; HIST/JWST 153, 308, 330, 451, 490; RELI 108, 450, 565, 566
-  One course on the period from 1750 to the present chosen from AMST 360; AMST/JWST 425, 486; AMST/JWST/WMST 253; ASIA/JWST 60, 235, 357, 425; ASIA 60, 235, 357; ASIA/HIST/PWAD 277; CMPL 270/GERM 270/JWST 239/RELI 239; ENGL/JWST 289; HEBR 142, 436; HEBR/JWST 305, 306; HIST/JWST 485; HIST/JWST/PWAD 262; JWST/PLSH 412; JWST/PWAD/SLAV 465; JWST/RELI 107, 143, 224, 243, 343, 444, 446; JWST/SLAV 464, 469; REL 501; RELI 446; SPAN 252, 253
-  At least three courses taught outside the Department of Religious Studies and chosen from AMST 360; AMST/JWST 425, 486; AMST/JWST/WMST 253; ASIA 60, 235, 357; ASIA/HIST/PWAD 277; CMPL 270/GERM 270/JWST 239/RELI 239; ENGL/JWST 289; FOLK/JWST 481, 505; GERM/JWST 225; HEBR/JWST 436; HEBR 142, 436; HEBR/JWST 305, 306; HIST/JWST 153, 308, 330, 451, 485, 490; HIST/JWST/PWAD 262; JWST/PLSH 412; JWST/PWAD/SLAV 465; JWST/SLAV 464, 469; SPAN 252, 253

### Additional Requirements

- Students must take two courses at or above the 400 level, exclusive of the capstone seminar (JWST 697).
- Two courses on the Hebrew language from HEBR/JWST 101, 102, 203, and 204; from RELI 211 and 212; or from RELI 401, 402, 403, and 404.

Although this concentration of the religious studies major is housed in the Department of Religious Studies, the director of Jewish studies is responsible for advising all students who chose the concentration in Jewish studies.

### Minor in Jewish Studies

The undergraduate minor in Jewish studies is an interdisciplinary curriculum that explores the history, literature, culture, and religious life of Jews in their interaction with other peoples from

ancient times to the present. It also offers students an opportunity to become more knowledgeable about selected areas of the Jewish experience.

The minor consists of five courses, which must be taken in at least two different departments: a core course (JWST 100/RELI 123) and four other courses selected from the list below. Of these four courses, one must be a course numbered 400 or higher, and at least one must fulfill the world before 1750 (WB) General Education requirement.

AMST 360; AMST/JWST 486; AMST/JWST/WMST 253; ASIA/JWST 60, 235, 357, 425; ASIA 60, 235, 357; ASIA/HIST/PWAD 277; CLAR/JWST/RELI 110, 512; CMPL 270/GERM 270/JWST 239/RELI 239; ENGL/JWST 289; FOLK/JWST 481, 505; GERM/JWST 56, 225; HEBR/JWST 436; HEBR 142, 436; HEBR/JWST 305, 306; HIST/JWST 153, 308, 330, 451, 485, 490; HIST/JWST/PWAD 262; JWST 697; JWST/PLSH 412; JWST/PWAD/SLAV 465; JWST/RELI 103, 106, 107, 143, 206, 243, 343, 444, 503, 602; JWST/SLAV 464, 469; RELI/JWST 109, 211, 212, 224, 420; RELI 78, 108, 409, 211, 212, 201, 446, 450, 501, 565, 566, 608; SPAN 252, 253

Additions to this list must be approved by the director of the Carolina Center for Jewish Studies. Only courses in Modern Hebrew at the fifth-semester level or higher can count toward the minor. For students minoring in both Jewish studies and religious studies, only two courses can overlap between the two minors.

Although this minor is housed in the Department of Religious Studies, the director of Jewish studies is responsible for advising all students who minor in Jewish studies.

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ASIA/JWST 425 Beyond Hostilities: Israeli-Palestinian Exchanges and Collaborations in Cinema, Literature, & Music

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FOLK/JWST 481: The Material Life of Jewish America (JWST 481)

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FOLK/JWST 505: Traditions in Transition: Jewish Folklore and Ethnography (JWST 505)

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RELI/JWST 224: Modern Jewish Thought

RELI/JWST 420: Post-Holocaust Ethics and Theology

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RELI 078: "Reading the Bible"

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RELI 201: "Ancient Biblical Interpretation"

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RELI 501: "History of the Bible in Modern Study"

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