

JUDAIC STUDIES, BACHELOR OF ARTS

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120
 Major Hours: 33
 Minimum Upper-Division Hours: 48
 Overall GPA - Combined and OU: 2.00
 Major GPA - Combined and OU: 2.00

Program Code: B615

- 48 Upper-Division Hours Required.
- Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or College of Arts & Sciences Requirements.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Courses		
HIST 3973	Judaism - A Religious History	3
Choose four of the following:		12
HIST 3413	The History of Ancient Israel	
HIST 3430	Topics in United States History	
HIST 3950	Topics in Middle Eastern History (Modern Jewish History)	
HIST 3963	Rebirth of Israel	
HIST 3983	Medieval Jewish History	
Major Electives		
Choose five courses from the Judaic Studies Major Electives course list (p. 1)		15
Capstone		
Choose one of the following:		3
HIST 4973	Undergraduate Seminar in History (Militant Religion in the Middle East)	
HIST 4973	Undergraduate Seminar in History (Jewish Historiography)	
Total Credit Hours		33

Major Support Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
HEBR 1115	Beginning Hebrew	5
HEBR 1225	Beginning Hebrew (continued)	5
HEBR 2113	Intermediate Hebrew	3
HEBR 2213	Intermediate Hebrew II	3
Total Credit Hours		16

Judaic Studies Major Electives

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ANTH 4953	Special Topics in Anthropology	3
ENGL 3653	The Bible as Literature	3
HEBR 3113	Advanced Hebrew	3
HIST 2013	Ancient Near Eastern Civilizations	3

HIST 3120	Topics in Modern European History (History of the Holocaust)	1-5
HIST 3203	Transformation of Jews	3
HIST 3293	Antisemitism	3
HIST 3313	Israeli Culture Through Film	3
HIST 3413	The History of Ancient Israel	3
HIST 3430	Topics in United States History (American Jewish History)	1-5
HIST 3500	Special Topics in History (Historical Study of Religion)	1-6
HIST 3683		3
HIST 3733	History of Heaven and Hell in Judaism and Christianity	3
HIST 3840	Topics in Asian History (Arab/Israeli Conflict)	1-5
HIST 3840	Topics in Asian History (Mideast Jews in Modern)	1-5
HIST 3840	Topics in Asian History (Minorities in the Muslim Middle East)	1-5
HIST 3950	Topics in Middle Eastern History (Archaeology of Israel)	1-3
HIST 3950	Topics in Middle Eastern History (Jews Under Islam)	1-3
HIST 3950	Topics in Middle Eastern History (Mideast Minorities in Modern Times)	1-3
HIST 3950	Topics in Middle Eastern History (Modern Jewish History)	1-3
HIST 3960	Honors Reading	1-3
HIST 3963	Rebirth of Israel	3
HIST 3983	Medieval Jewish History	3
HIST 3980	Honors Research	1-3
HIST 3993	The Evolution of Martyrdom in the Judeo-Christian Civilization	3
HIST 4003	Jews and Other Germans	3
HIST 4990	Independent Study	1-3
MLLL 1073	The Hebrew Bible as Literature	3
MLLL 3000	Literature in Translation (Jewish Humor)	2-4
MLLL 3063	Survey of Jewish Literature from Antiquity to the Present	3

General Education and College Requirements

Courses graded P/NP will not apply

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>.

University-Wide General Education (minimum 40 hours) and College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		

ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or EXPO 1213	Expository Writing	
<i>Foreign Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The College of Arts and Sciences requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
Beginning Course		0-5
Beginning Course, continued		0-5
Intermediate Course (2000 level) ^{1,2}		0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list		3
Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or PBIO ¹		3-4
<i>Physical Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS ¹		3-4
Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list		3
Core Area IV: Humanities (18 hours)		
<i>Understanding Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list		3
<i>Western Civilization and Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States, 1492 to 1865	3
or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from the General Education Western Civilization & Culture list ³		3
<i>Non-Western Culture</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Non-Western Culture list		3
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Humanities courses ⁴</i>		
Choose one course from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization & Culture, or Non-Western Culture ¹		3
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Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours)		
Choose one General Education Capstone course		3
Total Credit Hours		56

¹ College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: College requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.

² One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level

³ Excluding HIST 1483 and HIST 1493

⁴ 6 upper-division hours, 2 courses, at the 3000- 4000-level. **Must be outside the major.**

Free Electives

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

Information Concerning General Rules, Regulations and Minimum Requirements

Arts and Sciences Hours: At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

Pass/No Pass Enrollment: A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

Individual Studies (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"): A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

P.E. Courses: No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

Senior Institution Hours: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

Residency:

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are **not** considered resident credit.

Grade Point Averages: Students must earn a minimum over all 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

Special Degrees: Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

Suggested Semester Plan of Study

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checklist for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Arts and Sciences and/or Department of History, Center for Judaic and Israel Studies academic advisors to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Arts and Sciences, and Judaic Studies major requirements.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
Freshman		
First Semester		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3
HIST 1483	United States, 1492 to 1865 (Core IV)	3
or HIST 1493	or United States, 1865 to the Present	
HEBR 1115	Beginning Hebrew (Core I)	5
Math (Core I)		3

Free Elective, lower-division	1
Credit Hours	15
Second Semester	
ENGL 1213 Principles of English Composition (Core I) or EXPO 1213 or Expository Writing	3
HEBR 1225 Beginning Hebrew (continued) (Core I)	5
P SC 1113 American Federal Government (Core III)	3
Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4
Credit Hours	15

Sophomore

First Semester

HEBR 2113 Intermediate Hebrew	3
Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
Social Science (Core III)	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Credit Hours	15

Second Semester

HEBR 2213 Intermediate Hebrew II	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3
Credit Hours	15

Junior

First Semester

HIST 3973 Judaism - A Religious History	3
Judaic Studies Core Course ¹	3
Judaic Studies Major Elective ¹	3
Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Credit Hours	15

Second Semester

Judaic Studies Core Course ¹	3
Judaic Studies Major Elective ¹	3
Judaic Studies Major Elective ¹	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
Credit Hours	15

Senior

First Semester

Judaic Studies Core Course ¹	3
Judaic Studies Major Elective ¹	3
Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
Credit Hours	15

Second Semester

Judaic Studies Capstone (Capstone)	3
Judaic Studies Core Course ¹	3
Judaic Studies Major Elective ¹	3
Free Elective, lower-division	3

Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
Credit Hours	15
Total Credit Hours	120

¹ At least one of these courses must also be an approved **Western Civilization and Culture** General Education course.