



MIAMI
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Jewish Studies Program

Jewish Studies is an interdisciplinary program open to all Miami students. The minor offers students a variety of critical approaches to Jewish history, religion, thought, and culture from Ancient times to the present. Jewish Studies is a flexible minor that encourages students to pursue their particular interest across a wide range of disciplines and periods. Students can select courses that focus on religious practices and institutions; secular literature, art, and cinema; modern Jewish thought and politics; the Holocaust and its representation; and the Modern Hebrew language, among other subjects. Jewish Studies courses are offered in many programs and departments including American Studies, Classics, Comparative Religion, English, Film Studies, French, German, History, Italian Studies, Psychology, and Russian. Jewish Studies credits may be transferred from other institutions, and experience in accredited international programs may be applicable.

Requirements for a Jewish Studies Minor

The Jewish Studies Minor requires **18** credit hours.

- Students must fulfill a minimum of **6 hours** (3 ancient or medieval, and 3 modern) of designated “**core courses.**” These courses are marked accordingly in the list of courses that follow.
- In addition, students must complete **12 hours** of coursework in any area of Jewish Studies (including additional courses designated as core courses, if they choose). No more than 7 of these 12 hours may be courses focused primarily on the Holocaust.
- At least **6** of the total 18 credit hours must be at the **300-level or higher.**

Accredited international programs may be applicable.

CORE COURSES - ANCIENT or MEDIEVAL

- CLS 310J - Jews Among the Greeks and Romans
- HST 346 - Medieval Jewish History
- HST 442 – Ancient Jewish History, 539 BCE-200 CE
- REL 175 - Critical Study of Biblical Literature
- REL 211 - Intro to the Religion of Ancient Israel (Miami Plan)

CORE COURSES - MODERN

- FRE/GER/RUS 212; HST 211 - Secular Jewish Culture From the Enlightenment to Zionism (Miami Plan)

CULTURE, HISTORY, AND SOCIETY

- ENG/GER 180K - The Jewish Immigrant Experience in America (Honors)
- FRE/FST/GER 265 - European Jewish Cinema
- FRE/HST 339 - Jews, “Jews,” and Modern French Culture
- GER 252 - The German-Jewish Experience (Miami Plan)
- FST/RUS 272 - Cultures and Identities of Eastern Europe: An Introduction through Literature and Film
- PSY 410.8 - Contemporary Israeli Society: Historical, Psychological, and Political Challenges

HOLOCAUST

- GER 357 - Visualizing the Holocaust
- HST 472 - Germany 1918-1945, from Revolution to Rubble
- HST 400A (4) - Senior Capstone in German History (when on Holocaust)
- PSY 348 - Later Generations of the Holocaust: Psychological Effects
- REL 465 - Jewish and Christian Responses to the Holocaust

LANGUAGE

- HBW 201 - Introductory Hebrew
- HBW 202 - Intermediate Hebrew



LITERATURE

- FRE F106 (First Year Seminar) - Dybbuks, Golems, and the Uncanny in Modern Jewish Literature
- AMS/ENG 230A - Jewish American Fiction Since 1945
- ENG/ FRE/ GER 180E – Kafka’s World (Honors)
- ENG/ FRE/ GER 356 - Contemporary Jewish Fiction in Europe
- ENG /FRE /GER 380A - Jewish Modernism (Honors)

RELIGION AND THOUGHT

- REL 213 - Social and Religious History of the Jewish People (Miami Plan)
- REL 311 - Archaeology and Biblical Studies
- REL 334 - Women’s Religious Experience in the Ancient Mediterranean
- REL 360W - Genesis and Gender
- REL 366 - Jesus and the Gospels
- REL 385 - Religious Roots of Anti-Semitism
- REL 388 - Jerusalem: The Meeting of Jews, Christians, and Muslims in the Holy City
- REL 440/540 - Torah and Ancient Near Eastern Literature
- REL 475 (4) - Judaism in Modern Israel

Jewish Studies Events at Miami University

Miami’s Program in Jewish Studies regularly brings renowned speakers to campus for lectures, workshops, readings, and other events. Please visit our website for past highlights and upcoming events.

In addition to the outside speakers we bring to campus, we are home to a vibrant **Jewish Arts & Culture Series** showcasing members of the Miami and local communities. The series has featured musicians, novelists, and professors from a wide array of disciplines who have made presentation topics such as Jewish visual art; Jewish architects; contemporary Jewish music from klezmer to avant garde; Jews, baseball, and contemporary American fiction; Jewish feminist archeology; Sephardic history and culture in Bulgaria; and Jewish identity in Ancient Alexandria. The series is ongoing. Please visit our website at <http://www.cas.muohio.edu/jewishstudies/index.html> for the most current information.

Jewish Student Organizations at Miami

MIAMI HILLEL

For information, visit their website located at <http://www.muhillel.org/>.

MIAMI STUDENTS FOR ISRAEL

For information on this organization, visit their website at <http://www.orgs.muohio.edu/miamistudentsforisrael/index.html>

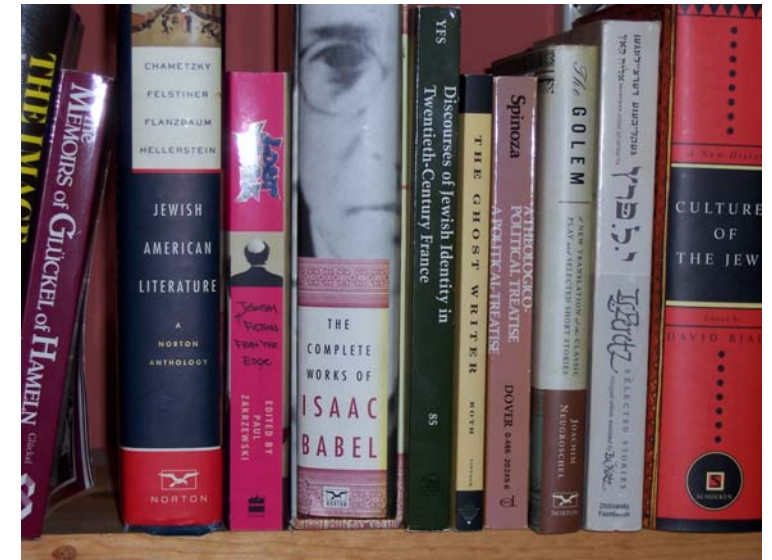
MIAMI ASSOCIATION FOR JEWISH STUDENTS

For information, please contact Marissa Sims via email at <http://www.muhillel.org/jewishlife06/students>



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