

## The Academic Minor

Many departments have designed academic minors for the convenience of undergraduate students.

A minor is a structured group of courses that leads to considerable knowledge and understanding of a subject, although with less depth than a major. Some employers consider minors desirable, and the corresponding major requirements at the University may stipulate a minor. Some students choose to complement their major program with a minor in a related field or even in an entirely different field of interest. Students interested in pursuing an academic minor should contact their college dean's office and the department responsible for the minor program for guidance and advising.

**Please note that undergraduate students can only complete a minor *in addition to and as a complement to a major.* The University does not award stand-alone minors.**

## Minor in Jewish Studies

The interdisciplinary minor in Jewish Studies provides students with the opportunity to become acquainted with the culture, language, literature, religion, history, and philosophy of the Jewish people from antiquity to the present.

The minor in Jewish Studies requires **18 hours** of course work as follows:

### 1. Required Courses

HJS 324 Jewish Thought and Culture I: From Ancient Israel to the Middle Ages.....	3
HJS 325 Jewish Thought and Culture II: From the Expulsion from Spain to the Present.....	3

### 2. Elective Courses

HJS 101 Elementary Hebrew.....	4
HJS 102 Elementary Hebrew.....	4
HJS 201 Intermediate Hebrew.....	3
HJS 202 Intermediate Hebrew.....	3
HJS 326 The Jewish Experience in America.....	3
HJS 327 Women in Judaism.....	3
HJS 495 Independent Study in Judaic Studies.....	3
PHI 504 Islamic and Jewish Philosophy and the Classical Tradition.....	3
CLA 390 Backgrounds to and Early History of Christianity to 150 CE.....	3
HIS 330 A History of Western Religious Thought (I).....	3
HIS 323 The Holocaust.....	3
HJS 425 Topics in Judaic Studies (Subtitle required).....	3

And other courses with significant Judaic studies content, as approved by the Director, to a maximum of six credit hours.

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