

HEBREW AND JUDAIC STUDIES (MA)

Department Website (<http://as.nyu.edu/hebrewjudaic/>)

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Program Description

The Master of Arts in Hebrew and Judaic Studies provides students with a world class education set in the fast-paced environment of New York City. Students will focus their studies on Hebrew and Judaic courses, while also sharpening their writing, critical thinking, and language skills.

Admissions

All applicants to the Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS) are required to submit the general application requirements (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/nyu-as/gsas/admissions/arc.html>), which include:

- Academic Transcripts (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/nyu-as/gsas/admissions/arc/academic-transcripts.html>)
- Test Scores (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/nyu-as/gsas/admissions/arc/test-scores.html>) (if required)
- Applicant Statements (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/nyu-as/gsas/admissions/arc/statements.html>)
- Résumé or Curriculum Vitae
- Letters of Recommendation (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/nyu-as/gsas/admissions/arc/letters-of-recommendation.html>), and
- A non-refundable application fee (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/admissions/arc.html#fee>).

See Hebrew and Judaic Studies (<https://gsas.nyu.edu/admissions/arc/programs/hebrew-and-judaic-studies.html>) for admission requirements and instructions specific to this program.

Dual Degree

The Hebrew and Judaic Studies Department offers a dual degree with the NYU Wagner Graduate School of Public Service: (<https://wagner.nyu.edu/education/degrees/dual-degree-program/mpa-judaicstudies/>) Public and Nonprofit Management MPA/Hebrew and Judaic Studies MA.

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Program Requirements

The program requires the completion of 32 credits, and offers a concentration in Museum Studies (38 credits). See concentration requirements below.

Course	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		
HBRJD-GA 1004	Recent Developments in Hebrew and Judaic Studies	3
Electives		
HBRJD-GA ----	Hebrew/Judaic Studies Electives	29
Total Credits		32

Museum Studies Concentration

The Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies has a cooperative arrangement with the Program in Museum Studies that allows students to pursue the MA degree in Hebrew and Judaic Studies with a concentration in Museum Studies. Completion of the MA with this concentration requires 38 credits, of which 24 are taken in Hebrew and Judaic Studies; a full summer internship in a museum or cultural institution; and all examination and paper requirements for the MA degree in Hebrew and Judaic Studies. This specific area of study is intended primarily for those who are or will be working as museum professionals in collections relating to Jewish history and civilization. Students interested in the MA with a concentration in museum studies should consult the director of graduate studies of the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies or the Program in Museum Studies.

Course	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		
HBRJD-GA 1004	Recent Developments in Hebrew and Judaic Studies	3
Electives		
HBRJD-GA ----	Hebrew Judaic Studies Electives	21
MSMS-GA ----	Museum Studies Electives	14
Total Credits		38

Additional Program Requirements

Written Comprehensive Exam

Students must pass a written comprehensive exam.

Research Paper

Students must complete a research paper in a departmental seminar, and obtain certification from two members of the department that the paper demonstrates research competence appropriate to the MA level.

Sample Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester/Term		
HBRJD-GA 1004	Recent Developments in Hebrew and Judaic Studies	3
Elective Course		3
Elective Course		3
Elective Course		3
Credits		12
2nd Semester/Term		
Elective Course		3
Elective Course		3
Elective Course		3
Credits		9
3rd Semester/Term		
Elective Course		3
Elective Course		4
Elective Course		4
Credits		11
Total Credits		32

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will have:

1. Familiarity with the theories and methodologies of the study of Jewish history and literature.

2. Mastery of the history and literature of a particular period of Jewish History.
3. The ability to present an original research paper in clear, succinct prose.
4. Familiarity with the tools of historical research (bibliographical databases, libraries etc.)
5. Proficiency in Hebrew language.

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

Graduate School of Arts and Science Policies

Academic Policies for the Graduate School of Arts and Science can be found on the Academic Policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/graduate/arts-science/academic-policies/>).