



SCW & SSSB

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New Jewish Studies Requirements

Town Hall Meetings
4/21/2021 and 4/22/2021

Overview of BA Requirements



Current JS Requirements

- 6 semesters of Core and 14 additional credits
- Core is a unit of three JS classes that are bundled together for a composite score
- A minimum of 1 JS course every semester a student is enrolled full time



What Are the Changes?

Jewish Studies courses will no longer be bundled under HEST/Core

Rising Juniors and Rising Seniors:
are grandmothered in under the old JS requirements
OR
may opt in for the new JS requirements

Rising Sophomores (and incoming true freshman and sophomores) will transition to the new model

New Jewish Studies Requirements

Bible, Judaic Studies, Jewish History, Jewish Philosophy, Hebrew Language

Map for "Grandmothered" Students

Rising Juniors who went to Israel/Seminary:*

Semester	New JS Map	Current JS Map
Fall 2021	2 classes	3 classes (Core)
Spring 2022	2 classes	1 class (12/14 credits)
Fall 2022	1 class	1 class (14/14 credits)
Spring 2023	1 class	JS residency

* assuming 1 semester of Core + 5/14 credits remaining

Map for "Grandmothered" Students

Rising Juniors who did NOT go to Israel/Seminary:*

Semester	New JS Map	Current JS Map
Fall 2021	3 classes	3 classes (Core)
Spring 2022	3 classes	3 classes (Core)
Fall 2022	2 classes	3 classes (9/14 credits)
Spring 2023	2 classes	2 classes (14/14 credits)

* assuming 2 semesters of Core + 14/14 credits remaining

Map for "Grandmothered" Students

Rising Seniors who went to Israel/Seminary:*

Semester	New JS Map	Current JS Map
Fall 2021	1 class	1 class (14/14 credits)
Spring 2022	1 class	JS residency requirement

* assuming completion of Core, and 2-3/14 credits remaining

Map for "Grandmothered" Students

Rising Seniors who did NOT go to Israel/Seminary:*

Semester	New JS Map	Current JS Map
Fall 2021	2 classes	3 classes (9/14 credits)
Spring 2022	2 classes	2 classes (14/14 credits)

* assuming completion of Core, and 14/14 credits remaining

Map for Students Transitioning to New Requirements

Rising Sophomores who did NOT go to Israel/Seminary:*

Semester	New JS Map	Current JS Map
Fall 2021	3 classes	3 classes (Core)
Spring 2022	3 classes	3 classes (Core)
Fall 2022	3 classes	3 classes (Core)
Spring 2023	3 classes	3 classes (Core)
Fall 2023	2 classes	3 classes (9/14 credits)
Spring 2024	2 classes	2 classes (14/14 credits)

* assuming 2 semesters of Core + 14/14 credits remaining

JS Distribution of Requirements

Subject	Number of Courses
Bible	2 courses
Judaic Studies	2 courses
Jewish History	1 course
Jewish Philosophy	1 course
Hebrew Language	by placement: HEBR 1001 or 1011: 3 courses HEBR 1201: 2 courses HEBR 1211 or 1221: 1 course

JS Distribution of Requirements

- Distribution must be completed on the Beren Campus
- Not every JS course may count towards meeting the distribution requirements, though all count towards the total number of 22 classes

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