

JEWISH STUDIES

About Jewish Studies

The Department of Jewish Studies, established in 1968, offers an interdisciplinary approach to the study of Judaica. It includes:

- a selection of courses that will enable students not taking a concentration in Jewish Studies to broaden their knowledge of Jewish history and culture;
- elementary, intermediate, and advanced courses in Jewish languages—Hebrew, Yiddish, and Aramaic—including attention to both spoken idiom and written texts for Hebrew and Yiddish;
- specialized courses in the various disciplines that comprise Jewish Studies for students who have specific academic interests;
- a minor concentration for students who wish to add competence in Jewish Studies to their major field of study;
- a comprehensive major concentration, and an honours program culminating in advanced seminars and tutorials for students contemplating careers in the various fields of Judaica. The Honours program in Jewish Studies will give students the necessary linguistic, textual, and bibliographical knowledge to enable them to pursue graduate work in Jewish Studies.

Available Programs

- Jewish Studies Honours (B.A.) (60 credits)
- Jewish Studies Joint Honours Component (B.A.) (36 credits)
- Jewish Studies Major Concentration (B.A.) (36 credits)
- Jewish Studies Minor Concentration (B.A.) (18 credits)

Jewish Studies Related Programs

Jewish Teacher Training Program

Established in 1973 in the Faculty of Education in conjunction with the Department of Jewish Studies, this program prepares students to teach at the elementary and secondary school levels.

Students are encouraged to acquire a strong general background in the Bible as well as in Jewish liturgy, traditions, and history prior to registering in the program. Students lacking the ability to teach in Hebrew should consider spending a term at an Israeli university.

Further information can be obtained by:

- contacting the Director, Dr. Eric Caplan, at 514-398-6544;
- consulting the Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) - Kindergarten and Elementary Jewish Studies (120 credits) program page;
- consulting mcgill.ca/edu-jttp for further details.

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