JEWISH STUDIES CONCENTRATION

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The 18-semester-hour Jewish Studies Concentration provides an interdisciplinary study of Jews and Judaism. The concentration is constructed to provide students and the wider community with a forum that encourages dialogue across different academic disciplines. Central values are dedicated to the support of academic research, civic and community outreach, coordination with Jewish organizations, public lecture series, and symposia that both educate and challenge all members of our community of learners to be informed, responsible and capable global citizens.

To satisfy the core requirements for the concentration, students will take HIS 136 and HIS 228, along with four approved courses, as detailed below.

Jewish Studies Concentration Requirements

- HIS 136 Introduction to Jewish Studies, 3 credit hours
- HIS 228 History of the Holocaust, 3 credit hours
- Choose four (4) additional courses that are designated as Jewish Studies courses or sections.

Students meeting the requirements for the concentration will have a notation added to their transcript. In order to receive this notation, students must meet with the Jewish Studies coordinator and complete a Jewish Studies Concentration Completion Form. For more information, contact program coordinator or visit www.oakton.edu/academics/special-programs/jewish-studies.php.

Concentration Learning Outcomes

1. Describe the major eras associated with the history of Jews and Judaism.
2. Describe the achievements of the Jews in historical, political, cultural, and social terms.
3. Compare representative works of literature and philosophy produced in an introduction to Jewish Studies.
4. Explain the ethnic and cultural diversity of Jews and Judaism and the origins of historical, political, cultural, and ethnic conflict as associated with an introduction to Jewish Studies.
5. Analyze primary and secondary sources associated with the history of Jews and Judaism.