ACADEMIC ADVISING ORIENTATION
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OVERVIEW OF B.A. REQUIREMENTS

MAJOR

CORE CURRICULUM

TORAH STUDIES

JEWISH STUDIES
Two CORE classes can help fulfill major requirements

Two CORE classes can help fulfill minor requirements
JEWISH STUDIES REQUIREMENTS

Required Hebrew
Students must complete HEB 1030 (or exempt out). Placement is based on the exam on Canvas, and students take 1010-1020-1030, 1020-1030, or just 1030.

Students who do exempt out of 1030 are required to take an Advanced Hebrew course.

Required Categories
At least one course in each:
- Jewish History
- Jewish Thought & Philosophy
- Bible

* Must equal 12 credits in TOTAL
HOW TO EARN 128 CREDITS

- Complete your:
  - CORE + Jewish Studies: (35-40 Cred.)
  - MAJOR: (30-45 Cred.)
  - Israel: (32 Cred.)
  - Take Shiur for Credit: these are credits earned from your morning program. Shiur credits can be put towards your 128 credits required to graduate as well as the 84 residential credits. These credits will be put towards your secular GPA
    - They appear on your afternoon transcript as “HES”
  - Elective classes
  - Minor
WHAT ARE RESIDENTIAL CREDITS?

- Residential credits are credits taken on campus at Yeshiva University.
- If you are coming to Yeshiva University as a Freshman, or straight from Israel, you need to complete at least 84 credits on campus (residential credits).
- If you are a transfer student the amount of residential credits you need will vary (make an appointment with an advisor!)
MYP and SBMP

- In order to get shiur for credit you must register for them
- You can elect to have the average of your morning program transfer as 1, 2, or 3 shiur credits to your afternoon transcript
- Courses taken in these morning programs do not fulfill afternoon, Jewish Studies requirements (e.g.: Bibles, Jewish Histories, Hebrews).

IBC and JSS

- Students automatically receive 3 shiur credits in their college record
- Courses taken in these morning programs do work to fulfill J-CORE requirements (e.g.: Bibles, Jewish Histories, Hebrews).
FAQ’s About Shiur For Credit

- If you are in MYP or BMP, Shiur for credit can only be added to your academic transcript during the two week add/drop period.

- Shiur can count for 1, 2, or 3 credits, and can be changed throughout the semester (If you are in IBC or JSS, you automatically get 3).

- Why would you change it?
  - You drop a class and want to maintain your credits
  - You are doing well in your morning program and want to raise your GPA

- If you are taking the minimum amount of credits, we advise you to add at least 1 shiur for credit to your schedule so you have this option.

- Once the add/drop period is over, you will NOT be able to pick up shiur for credit for the rest of the semester.
THINGS TO REMEMBER ABOUT YOU MAJOR...

- “C-” is the lowest passing grade in a course to be counted toward your major
- Every major/minor track holds *both* pre-requisites and co-requisites.
  - **Pre- requisite course**
    - taken before a more advanced course (Biology 1 is a pre-requisite to Biology 2)
  - **Co- requisite course**
    - must be taken at the same time as another course.
      (Biology 1 Lecture is a co-requisite to Biology 1 Lab)
HOW MANY CREDITS CAN I TAKE A SEMESTER?

• **Minimum:** 12 credits
  - In order to be eligible for financial aid, health insurance, Visa, scholarships and housing, you must maintain full-time status

• **Maximum:** 17 credits
  - As a new, incoming student, we recommend you take a maximum of 14/15 this Fall term.

• **Provisional students:** 12- 13 credits

**Always speak to an Academic Advisor before you decide to drop a class**
YOU CAN FIND THIS INFORMATION AT HTTPS://WWW.YU.EDU/ACADEMIC-ADVISING