

Combined Degree in Optometry

Students admitted to the Combined Degree in Optometry complete undergraduate requirements as specified below before continuing on to the professional sequence at the State University of New York College of Optometry (SUNY). Upon successful completion of the first year at SUNY, students will be eligible for the B.A. degree from Stern College.

The accelerated program is designed for exceptional students who can handle a heavy workload and who decide to pursue Optometry early in their academic experience.

Students who do not spend a year in Israel may complete the requirements at SCW in 3 years. Students who earn a year's credit in Israel should allow for 2 ½ years at SCW to complete the requirements. Both variations appear in the tables below.

General Requirements

Standard B.A. Requirements of which the General Education electives may be met by transfer of credits from the first year courses at SUNY.

Shaped Major Requirements

General Biology/General Chemistry/General Physics/ Organic Chemistry – **1 year of each** Calculus/Statistics – **1 semester of each**

Jewish Studies

Ten (10) courses in Judaic Studies divided between BIBL, JUDS, JHIS, JPHI, and HEBR

Additional Credits

As needed to reach a minimum of 105 undergraduate credits

Exit Exam

Acceptable score on OAT

Residency and Academic Standards

Standard minimum requirements at SCW credits

Recommended

BIOL 4023 Microbiology

Recommended Course Sequence for students who spent 1 year in Israel

1 year in Israel (27 credits) and 5 semesters at SCW

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4	Semester 5
Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies
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BIOL 1011C	BIOL1012C	MATH 1410	CHEM 1214R	BIOL 4023
CHEM 1045R	CHEM 1046R	PHYS 1031C	PHYS 1032C	Foundations & Contemporary
STAT 1021	CHEM 1047L	CHEM 1213R	Foundations & Contemporary	Literature & Arts
ENGL 1100	Foundations & Contemporary	CHEM 1215L	Foundations & Contemporary	Literature & Arts
			Literature & Arts	SPEE 1010

See page 2 for recommended course sequence for students who did not go to Israel

Recommended Course Sequence for students who did not spend a year in Israel

6 semesters at SCW

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4	Semester 5	Semester 6
Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies
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Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Jewish Studies	Literature & Arts	Foundations & Contemporary
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