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Programs of Study: Majors and Minors

ACCOUNTING (ACC)

MAJOR: Sy Syms School of Business

CPA TRACK:

ACC 1101, 1102, 2403, 3201, 3601; BLW 2112; TAX 6124, 6125; and any one Sy Syms elective.

NON-CPA TRACK:

ACC 1101, 1102, 2403, 3601; two additional ACC/TAX courses and any three additional Sy Syms electives.

MINOR: For Sy Syms School of Business students

ACC 1101, 1102, and 2403

MINOR: For Yeshiva College Students

ACC 1001, 1002, FIN 1001, ACC 1101, 1102, and any other Sy Syms course.

AMERICAN STUDIES (AMST)

The American studies minor offers students the opportunity to examine culture and society in the United States from an interdisciplinary perspective. Students develop an awareness of specific patterns in U.S. history, literature, and politics while compiling a set of analytical skills for synthesizing the broad range of experiences that make up a "culture" or "civilization."

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Five courses: one American Literature and Culture core course (English 2911; 2912; 2913), one course in U.S. history, and three additional courses dealing primarily with the United States, selected from the following disciplines: art, economics, English, history, Jewish history, music, political science, sociology, and drama.

BIBLE (BIB)

CONCENTRATION of JEWISH STUDIES MAJOR: Yeshiva College

While there is no formal major in Bible, Jewish studies majors may concentrate in that field. See the description of the Jewish studies major.

BIOLOGY (BIO)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

BIO 1011, 1012 (lecture and laboratory) and 18 additional BIO credits, including four advanced laboratory courses (biochemistry may count toward these required biology credits); CHE 1045R/H–1046R/H (lecture) and CHE 1047L (laboratory); two courses chosen from MAT 1412, MAT 1413, STA 1021. Organic chemistry and physics are strongly recommended.

AS OF FALL 2015:

BIO 1011, 1012 (lecture and laboratory); CHE 1045R/H–1046R/H (lecture) and CHE 1047L (laboratory); two courses chosen from MAT 1412, MAT 1413, STA 1021; Students must also choose five advanced laboratory courses as follows:

3 courses chosen from: 3521C, 3513C, 3207C, or 1376R&L 1 course chosen from: 2601C, 3728C, 3135C, or 4023R&L

1 course chosen from: 3038C or 2320C

Plus 1 additional biology elective course.

Although not required, organic chemistry and physics are strongly recommended. These courses are routinely required for pre-health graduate programs.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

BIO 1011, 1012 (lecture and laboratory) and 10 additional BIO credits, at least 8 of which must be in advanced laboratory courses. Biochemistry may count toward biology minor.

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT (BUS)

MAJORS AND MINORS: Sy Syms School of Business

Students majoring or minoring in the Business and Management program select one of the following concentrations: business intelligence and marketing analytics, finance, management, or marketing. The business core is required for each concentration. Major requirements for Business and Management are found in this publication under each concentration name.

MINOR: For Yeshiva College Students

18 credits: MAN 1020, plus three additional Sy Syms business core courses and any two Sy Syms upper level (non business core) courses.

BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE AND MARKETING ANALYTICS (BIMA)

CONCENTRATION of BUSINESS MAJOR: Sy Syms School of Business IDS 2030, 2160, 2550, 3000, MAR 2501, 3318 and three additional business electives.

MINOR:

See Information and Decision Sciences

CHEMISTRY (CHE)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

CHE 1045R/H–1046R/H (lecture) and CHE 1047L (laboratory); CHE 1122; CHE 1213R-1214R (lecture) and CHE 1215L (laboratory); CHE 1222/H; CHE 1415–1416; CHE 1936; CHE 1937 or 1938; MAT 1412, 1413; PHY 1031-1032 or 1041-1042 (lecture and laboratory; 1041-1042 highly recommended); and one additional advanced CHE course.

All prospective Chemistry majors are strongly encouraged to take Introduction to Chemical Research (CHE 1936) during their first year on campus. This course is offered every Spring semester.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

CHE 1045R/H–1046R/H (lecture) and CHE 1047L (laboratory); CHE 1122 or 1415; CHE 1213R-1214R (lecture) and CHE 1215L (laboratory); and one additional CHE course.

COMPUTER SCIENCES (COM)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

COM 1300, 1320, 1504, 1621, 2113, 2545, 3610, 3640, 4512 and 6 credits in COM electives; MAT 1412 and 2105.

Note also the computer track of the mathematics major.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

COM 1300, 1320, 1504, 2545, 4512 and 3 additional credits in COM electives; MAT 1412.

CRIMINOLOGY (CRM) MINOR: See SOC section

ECONOMICS (ECO)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

BASIC TRACK:

Thirty-four credits: ECO 1031, 1041, 1101, 1201, 1421; MAT 1412; STA 1021; 9 additional credits in Economics electives (up to 6 additional credits in Accounting or Finance courses (but not more than 3 for Accounting) taken at the Sy Syms School may count toward these Economics electives); one advanced Economics elective.

AS OF FALL 2015: BASIC TRACK:

Thirty-four credits: ECO 1010, 1101, 1201, 1421; MAT 1412; STA 1021; 9 additional credits in Economics electives (up to 6 additional credits in Accounting or Finance courses (but not more than 3 for Accounting) taken at the Sy Syms School may count toward these Economics electives); two advanced Economics electives.

MATHEMATICAL ECONOMICS TRACK:

Thirty-six credits: ECO 1101, 1201; MAT 1412, 1413, 1510; STA 1021 or MAT 2461 or ECON 5202; ECO 1421 or MAT 2462 or ECON 5203. Students must also take one general Economics elective; two advanced Economics electives, and complete a 3-credit capstone course (ECON 5101 or 5103) or Senior Research seminar. Students who can place out of MAT 1412 must take MAT 2105. Students who can place out of both MAT 1412 and 1413 must take MAT 2105 plus either an additional higher level math class or economics elective.

Advanced Economics electives are those courses that have a prerequisite of ECO 1101 or 1201. All other Economics courses and all Syms Finance and Accounting classes count as general Economics electives.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Eighteen credits including ECO 1031, 1041, MAT 1412, and three additional Economics courses. STA 1021 may count toward the minor but is not required.

AS OF FALL 2015:

ECO 1010, MAT 1412, and four additional Economics courses. STA 1021 may count toward the minor but is not required.

ENGLISH (ENG)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty-three credits: ENG 2010 (to be taken within the first two semesters of study for the major); Two ENG literature courses numbered 3000-3999; One advanced writing course; ENG 4001 + 4002 (Capstone Senior Colloquium and Orals - 2 consecutive terms, each earning 1.5 credits) to be taken in the final two semesters of study for the major; plus six additional ENG courses (of which up to two may be advanced writing courses).

From all the previous requirements: at least one literature course must focus on the pre-1700 period (Medieval to Early Modern Literature and Culture) and at least one literature course must focus on non-British literature.

Please note than FYWR 1010 (or FYWR 1020, ENG 1101, 1931H) is a prerequisite for all other ENG courses.

ENGLISH MINOR: ENG 2010 and 15 additional ENG literature credits. All but one course must be taken in residence, and any transfer course must be approved, if possible in advance.

WRITING MINOR: 12 credits in advanced writing courses (beyond FYWR and FYSM).

FINANCE (FIN)

CONCENTRATION of BUSINESS MAJOR: Sy Syms School of Business

FIN 1408, 2409, 2505, either 2521 or 3510, two additional finance electives and any three additional business electives.

MINOR: For Sy Syms School of Business students

Any three upper level finance courses (beyond FIN 1001).

MINOR: For Yeshiva College Students

ACC 1001, FIN 1001, IDS 1131*, and any three additional finance courses.

*Any student who has taken STA 1021 (and received a grade of C or better) may take an additional Sy Syms business core course instead of IDS 1131.

FRENCH (FRE)

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Fifteen credits: FRE 1201-1202, FRE 1421 (Advanced Grammar and Comp), one French literature course (FRE 2101, 2102 or 2125) and one elective course at the 2000 level or above in French or a related field with departmental approval.

HEBREW (HEB)

MINOR: Yeshiva College

12 credits in HEB courses (numbered above HEB 1306).

HISTORY (HIS)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty-three credits: HIS 1101, 1102, and 24 additional HIS credits (at least 6 credits in American history and 3 in non-Western history), plus one capstone course (HIS 3001 or HIS 3002 or HIS 4001). With the permission of the departmental advisor, up to 6 credits in Jewish history (in excess of those used to meet Jewish studies distribution requirement) may be counted toward the major.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Eighteen credits: HIS 1101, 1102, and 12 additional HIS credits (at least 6 credits in American history). With the permission of the departmental advisor, up to 3 credits in Jewish history (in excess of those used to meet Jewish studies distribution requirement) may be counted toward the minor.

INFORMATION AND DECISION SCIENCES (IDS)

CONCENTRATION of BUSINESS MAJOR: Sy Syms School of Business

See Business Intelligence and Marketing Analytics.

MINOR: For Sy Syms School of Business students

Any three upper level information and decision sciences courses (beyond IDS 1020).

MINOR: For Yeshiva College Students

IDS 1020, 2030, 2160, two additional IDS courses and one business core course.

JEWISH HISTORY (JHI)

CONCENTRATION of JEWISH STUDIES MAJOR: Yeshiva College

While there is no formal major in Jewish history, Jewish studies majors may concentrate in that field. See the description of the Jewish studies major.

JEWISH PHILOSOPHY (JPH)

CONCENTRATION of JEWISH STUDIES MAJOR: Yeshiva College

While there is no formal major in Jewish philosophy, Jewish studies majors may concentrate in that field. See the description of the Jewish studies major.

JEWISH STUDIES (JST)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Eight courses in Jewish studies (consisting of at least 22 credits) beyond those taken to satisfy the Jewish studies general education requirements. Five of these courses must be in an area of concentration, consisting of at least 13 credits, defined either in terms of a discipline (BIB, HEB, JHI, JPH) or a period (Ancient - JANC, Medieval - JMED, or Modern - JMOD). At least one course in Jewish Philosophy or Thought.

Correlate: Three courses outside of Jewish Studies beyond the Core curriculum, in a discipline or area (generally in the humanities or social sciences) chosen by the student based on his particular area of interest in Jewish Studies and approved by a departmental adviser.

No HES credits for study in Israel, MYP, or SBMP may be counted toward the major. A maximum of two courses taken outside of Yeshiva College (YC) may be applied to the major with the approval of the departmental adviser or chair.

Students who have completed ninety-two credits may apply to the BA/MA Program of Yeshiva College and the Bernard Revel Graduate School. They may take up to four graduate courses that will count toward their undergraduate degree as well as an MA in Revel. Only two BRGS courses can be applied to the undergraduate major in Jewish Studies. Students who are not in the BA/MA program may ask the Jewish Studies professor assigned to make this determination for special permission to enroll in a Revel class. Please note that BA/MA students, whatever their undergraduate major may be, must complete the regular YC requirements for that major.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Five courses consisting of at least 13 credits beyond those taken to satisfy the Jewish studies general education requirements.

MANAGEMENT (MAN)

CONCENTRATION of BUSINESS MAJOR: Sy Syms School of Business

MAN 2110, 3015, 3720, 3780, two additional management electives and three additional business electives.

MINOR: Sy Syms School of Business

Any three upper level management courses (beyond MAN 1020).

MINOR: For Yeshiva College Students

MAN 1020, 3015, 3780, two additional management courses and one business core course.

MARKETING (MAR)

CONCENTRATION of BUSINESS MAJOR: Sy Syms School of Business

MAR 2501, 2621, 3318, 3720, two additional marketing electives and three additional business electives.

MINOR: For Sy Syms School of Business students

Any three upper level marketing courses (beyond MAR 1001).

MINOR: For Yeshiva College Students

MAR 1001, 2501, 3318, two additional marketing courses and one business core course.

MATHEMATICS (MAT)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

GENERAL TRACK:

MAT 1412, 1413, 1510, 1520, 1521, 2105, and 12 additional credits in advanced MAT courses (numbered 1500 or higher); also three correlate courses chosen from course offerings in Computer Science, Economics, and Physics (PHY 1041-1042 R&L and COM 1300 are strongly recommended).

COMPUTER TRACK:

MAT 1412, 1413, 1510, 2105, and two electives from the following: MAT 1520, 1521, 2215, 2461, 2462, 2651, or any courses numbered 5000 or higher. Also COM 1300, 1320, 1504, 1621, 2113, 2545, and one of COM 3563, 3610, or 3640.

PRE-ACTUARIAL TRACK:

MAT 1412, 1413, 1510, 2105, 2461, 2462, 5256, plus 5257 or 5267, as well as 2 additional courses in advanced MAT courses (numbered 1500 or higher); also three required correlate courses: ECO 1031, 1041 and COM 1300 plus an additional elective in Economics (ECO 1421 strongly recommended). With permission of the department, the courses ECON 5201 and/or ECON 5202 may be substituted for MAT 5256, 5257, or 5267.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

MAT 1412, 1413, 1510, 2105 and 6 additional credits in advanced MAT courses (numbered 1500 or higher).

The normal sequence of courses in the first two years is 1412, 1413, 1510, and 2105. A mathematics placement examination is administered at the beginning of each semester for all students who wish to enroll in MAT 1412 (Calculus I). Students who fail to achieve a satisfactory grade on the placement examination will be requested to enroll in MAT 1160 (Pre-calculus) instead.

MUSIC (MUS)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

PHILIP AND SARAH BELZ PROGRAM: Thirty-Six credits including: MUS 1111 (OR 1112, 1113, or 1400) 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2111L, 2112L. Additionally, students must take two music history and literature courses (from 1341, 1350, or 1351); one senior seminar course (from 1931, 1932, 2127, or 2128); a senior project (4911); and 4 credits in music performance courses.

Students may count toward the major no more than 6 credits total in musical performance and applied study, with no more than 4 credits in applied study.

Music majors must take a keyboard proficiency exam upon entrance to MUS 2111. A student who does not pass the exam must take Keyboard Skills - MUS 2113L; and/or

2114L, depending on placement. The 1 credit for each semester of Keyboard Skills counts toward the maximum 4 credits in applied study.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

MUS 1111 (OR 1112, 1113, or 1400), 2111, 2112, 2111L, 2112L one course from 1341, 1350, or 1351, plus an additional 6 credits from any of the four areas noted above. Students may count no more than 4 credits total in musical performance and applied study toward the minor.

PHILOSOPHY (PHI)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty credits: 1 course chosen from PHI 1600, 3200 or an approved course in Value Theory; 3 courses chosen from PHI 1100, 1220, 1320, 1360, 1400, 1550, or an approved course in Metaphysics and Epitemology; Students must also take PHI 2170, 2420, and 4931 plus 3 additional elective courses.

Up to 6 credits in Jewish philosophy (JPH) may count as electives toward the major with the approval of the departmental adviser. Cluster adviser: Dr. Otteson.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Eighteen credits: 1 course chosen from PHI 1600, 3200 or an approved course in Value Theory; 2 courses chosen from PHI 1100, 1220, 1320, 1360, 1400, 1550, or an approved course in Metaphysics and Epitemology; 1 course chosen from PHI 2170 or 2420; plus 2 additional elective courses.

Jewish philosophy (JPH) courses may count as electives toward the major with the approval of the departmental adviser.

PHYSICS (PHY)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty-six credits in physics courses. PHY 1051R/H, 1052R/H, 1061L, 2051R/H, 2052R/H, 2061L, 1221, 1321, 1510 (or 1520), 1621, 1810, one semester of Physics Colloquium (PHY 4935), and 6 additional credits in 2 PHY electives. MAT 1412, 1413, 1510 are also required and Mathematical Physics (PHY 4932) is recommended.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Twenty-two credits in physics courses including PHY 1051, 1052, 1061L.

Pre-engineering students who wish to fulfill the requirements for the Physics major may satisfy up to 9 credits with course work at Columbia University School of Engineering and Applied Science. These 9 credits must be chosen with the approval of the Physics department chair at Yeshiva College.

POLITICAL SCIENCE (POL)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty-four credits: The major consists of four components: (1) four introductory courses covering four fields of Political Science: Introduction to American Politics (POL 1101), Introduction to International Relations (POL 1301), Great Political Thinkers (POL 1401) and Fundamentals of Political Science (POL 1501); (2) four courses in a chosen area of concentration (American Politics, International Affairs, Comparative Politics, or Political Theory); (3) three elective POL courses; and (4) a written Senior Project (POL 4100, 4200, 4300, or 4400).

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Eighteen credits. Fundamentals of Political Science (POL 1501) and one additional introductory course (American Politics -POL 1101, Introduction to International Relations-POL 1301, or Great Political Thinkers-POL 1401); plus four elective POL courses.

Courses in political science are divided into subfields. Those numbered x1xx are courses in American politics; x2xx are in comparative politics; x3xx are in international relations; x4xx are in political theory; and x5xx are general or cross-field courses. Courses numbered 1xxx are introductory-level courses; courses numbered 2xxx are electives, for which the introductory course is generally recommended or required; courses numbered 3xxx are advanced seminars that will usually have particular prerequisites; and courses numbered 4xxx are independent reading or research projects.

PRE-ENGINEERING (PRE)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

CHE 1045R/H-1046R/H and 1047L; MAT 1412, 1413, 1510, 2105, 2601; PHY 1051R/H–1052R/H, 1061L plus PHY 1120 or 1621; COM 1300; ECO 1041. Additional electives in Physics, Math, Chemistry, or Computer Science will be recommended for specific fields in engineering by the Pre-Engineering Advisor.

The university has combined plans with Columbia University as well as SUNYStony Brook. Under the BA/BS plan, a student who attends Yeshiva University for three years, maintains an overall 3.0 GPA as well as a B+ average in Program-required courses (with no grade lower than a B-), and receives the recommendation of the Pre-Engineering Adviser is admitted to Columbia University School of Engineering and Applied Science or SUNY-SB as a junior. The student attends the receiving Engineering School for two years; upon the successful completion of the program, Yeshiva University confers the Bachelor of Arts degree and Columbia/SB confers the Bachelor of Science degree. Under the BA/MS plan, the student earns an appropriate bachelor's degree at Yeshiva University in any of the other majors approved in Yeshiva College and, if admitted by Columbia, after two additional years of study at Columbia University, receives the master's degree, bypassing the bachelor's degree in engineering.

Students in the combined plan must maintain registration at Yeshiva University by filing a Leave of Absence form until they receive the BA degree. They must meet the same requirements for graduation as all students who spend three years in residence at the university.

To be eligible to commence Engineering Studies at Columbia University as a Combined Plan Program Student, the candidate must have completed all requirements for YC graduation (completion of an approved major and all YC required course and distribution requirements) by the end of the Spring Semester before matriculating at Columbia or SUNY-SB. The candidate must also have accumulated at least 58 in-residence credits.

The Pre-Engineering Major is only accepted as fulfillment of the YC Graduation Requirement if a BS is also earned at an ABET accredited institution.

Students interested in the pre-engineering options are urged to discuss their specific course of study with the Pre-Engineering Adviser each semester prior to registration.

PRE-HEALTH PREPARATION

The Pre-Health Advising Office

The Pre-Health Advising Office assists students in identifying and attaining their professional goals from their time of first arrival on campus through the application process. We provide guidance on academic and extra-curricular opportunities, with programming that includes deans of admissions from professional schools as well as practitioners, many of whom are Yeshiva College alumni, and we support a variety of student-run activities. For more information please consult the Director of Pre-Health Advising, at 212-960-5276 or advising@yu.edu, and visit our website: http://yu.edu/academic-advising/undergraudate-men/prehealth/.

PSYCHOLOGY (PSY)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty-seven credits: PSY 1010, 1021*, 1110, 2100C, 2150, 3105, 3804, and 2414 or 3800; plus 12 additional credits in PSY courses.

A maximum of 6 independent study or research credits may count toward the major.

*STA 1021 is considered an equivalent of PSY 1021 only for students who were on campus prior to Fall 2013 and had declared Psychology as their major or minor by then.

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Eighteen credits in PSY, including PSY 1010 and PSY 1021 or STA 1021, plus twelve additional PSY credits.

A maximum of 6 independent study or research credits within the Psychology Department may count toward the minor.

SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

MAJOR: Yeshiva College

Thirty-three credits: SOC 1001, 3002, 3003, 3090 and an additional 21 credits of which 15 credits must be in sociology, 3 credits may be in any social science or history course, and 3 credits may be STA 1021.

No independent study credits may count toward the major.

SOCIOLOGY MINOR:

Eighteen credits: SOC 1001, 3002, 3003, and an additional 9 credits in sociology. STA 1021 may satisfy 3 elective credits.

No independent study credits may count toward the minor.

CRIMINOLOGY MINOR:

Eighteen credits: SOC 1001, 2301; also 2305 or 2306, 3001 or STA 1021 and an additional 6 credits in sociology related to criminology or approved by the Department Chair.

SPANISH (SPA)

MINOR: Yeshiva College

Fifteen credits: SPA 1201, 1202, 1231 (Advanced Grammar and Comp), one Spanish literature course (SPA 2021, 2022, 2101 or 2131) and one elective course at the 2000 level or above in Spanish or a related field with departmental approval.

WRITING (WRI)

MINOR: See ENG section