Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Students must be declared in a major by the end of the second year (or equivalent), so learning about and preparing for a major is a primary goal for first-year students.

### Major: JEWISH STUDIES

**Importance of an early start:**
This is a moderately course-intensive and sequential program, and students who intend to pursue this major must begin taking classes for the major in their first or second year at UCSC.

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:**
The Jewish studies major does not require an exam for entrance and does not limit the number of students it will accept into the program. It is strongly advised that students complete at least one introductory Jewish studies course and one course of instruction in a Jewish language before declaring the major.

Frosh who intend to pursue this major should do the following things prior to the beginning of fall term...

...and should take these courses their first term:
- **HEBR 1:** First-Year Hebrew
- **HIS 76:** Hitler and the Holocaust

Sample first year plan:
- **Fall:**
  - HEBR 1: First-Year Hebrew
  - HIS 76: Hitler and the Holocaust
- **Winter:**
  - HEBR 2: First-Year Hebrew
- **Spring:**
  - HEBR 3: First-Year Hebrew
  - HIS 74: Introduction to Jewish History And Cultures

**Skills important for success in this major:**
Analytical writing and reading, critical thinking, cultural analysis, and literary, historical, art historical, and philosophical analysis.

The Jewish studies program is administered by the History Department. Prospective Jewish studies majors who have difficulty pre-enrolling in Jewish language instruction courses should contact the course instructor by email and sign up on the class waiting list.

**Other information:**
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**Links to More Information:**
- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)
- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)
- [http://jewishstudies.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/](http://jewishstudies.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/) (program website)

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