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. Junior transfer students must be officially declared in a major by the deadline in their second quarter of enrollment.

### Major: JEWISH STUDIES

**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.

**Transfer students who intend to pursue this major should do the following prior to the beginning of their first term...**

Students with prior knowledge of Hebrew or Yiddish are advised to complete a language placement exam to determine if they have satisfied any of the elementary language course requirements. Students should review the major requirements on the Jewish studies website. A solid understanding of the requirements provides students with an invaluable head start to their college career and the major.

**...and should take these courses their first term:**

Students without prior knowledge of Hebrew or Yiddish should take HEBR 1: *First-Year Hebrew*, in fall.

**If unable to enroll in courses listed above:**

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.

**Skills important for success in this major:**

Analytical writing and reading, critical thinking, cultural analysis, and literary, historical, art historical, and philosophical analysis.

**Although not required for the major, students in this major might benefit from these courses/subjects:**

Prospective Jewish studies majors are encouraged to enroll in any Jewish Studies courses that look interesting to them. A complete list of the Jewish studies courses offered in the coming year can be found on the Jewish studies website: [http://jewishstudies.ucsc.edu/courses/index.html](http://jewishstudies.ucsc.edu/courses/index.html)

**Other information:**

The Jewish studies program is administered by the History Department.

**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)
- [http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html](http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html) (transfer credit info)

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