What you can do with your JEWISH STUDIES MAJOR



Jewish Studies Major Skills:



Written & Spoken Language Proficiency

You learn to read, write, understand and converse in Hebrew and other Jewish languages.



Critical Reading & Analytical Thinking

You read Jewish texts closely to write original, coherent and compelling arguments that push beyond summary to analysis.



Cultural Competence

You develop a knowledge of Jewish civilization, culture and society in both the past and the present.



Research

Your development, pursuit and presentation of original research culminates in a substantive academic paper that utilized and cites appropriate sources.



Global Perspective

You cultivate an appreciation for diverse worldviews and value systems, including an understanding of interactions between Jews and non-Jews within the context of minority-majority relationships in Wisconsin, in the United States, and across the globe.

Supplement Your Skills With:



Study or Internships Abroad



Career Advising & Exploration



Internships & Part-Time Positions



Opportunities to Foster
Professional Equity & Inclusion

Chart Your Path Forward

Activate Your Handshake Account

for connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking.

Explore Career Communities

to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your major into success.

Get Career & Internship Advising

from SuccessWorks to make a plan, whether you're a first-year student or about to graduate.

Get Started: successworks.wisc.edu

Put your Jewish Studies major to WORK

Job Titles of Alumni:

- Administrative Assistant
- Artist
- Attorney
- CFO
- Certified Nurse's Aide
- Community Relations Coordinator
- Editor
- Employee Relations Specialist

- Engagement Director
- Human Resources Generalist
- Interior Design Consultant
- Manager
- Rabbi
- School Principal
- Teacher

Employers of Alumni

- Aurora Health Care
- Chicago Jewish Day School
- Coalition to Stop Gun Violence
- Danville Baseball Club, LLC
- Federal Judiciary

- Herzl Camp
- Joseph Kushner Hebrew Academy
- Lost Tribe Esports
- Neustar, Inc.
- Union for Reform Judaism

Recent Grads' Career Plans 2016-2021:

63% Employment

37% Continuing Education or Grad School

Industry of Employment:

- Education
- Religious Services
- Healthcare
- Information Technology
- Legal

- Arts &
- Entertainment
- Hospitality
- Non-Profit
- Public Service
- Real Estate

Where Alumni Live & Work:

22% Wisconsin

13% Illinois

9% California

9% Washington, DC

9% New York

39% Other





"In each course, I learned about topics and issues that not only inform my work as a professional but also my own American Jewish experience. Jewish Studies faculty take the time to design syllabi that are engaging and thought provoking. I'm grateful to still be in touch with professors who were so instrumental in my personal and academic development."

Hilary Miller, 2019
Intern, UNESCO
M.A. Candidate, Columbia University
New York, NY

"I've used the cultural literacy skills that I learned to help me navigate different roles with sensitivity in a multi-cultural workplace. My studies helped me develop the skills and experiences that have allowed me to engage in conversations supporting collaboration to build and strengthen the community that I work in."

Carly Barak, 2018 Project Manager, Illumina Madison, WI

Career Communities for Jewish Studies Majors

SuccessWorks has eight Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few suggestions on where Jewish Studies majors can start.

Not inspired by these options? Visit SuccessWorks to explore more widely.

- Government, Policy, International Affairs & Law
- Non-Profit Management & Education
- Communications. Entertainment & the Arts
- Tech, Data & Analytics

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