
Hebrew

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In the College of Arts and Letters

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Offered by the Department of Linguistics and Oriental Languages

Courses in Hebrew.
Major or minor work in Hebrew is not offered.

Foreign Language Requirement for the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Students electing the study of Hebrew to fulfill the foreign language requirement for the Bachelor of Arts degree in liberal arts and sciences must successfully complete Hebrew 201 or the equivalent level of achievement. The usual sequence of coursework is Hebrew 101 (with 100), 102, 200, and 201. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements" for additional ways to satisfy competency.

High School Equivalents

High school foreign language courses may be used for purposes of placement in college courses and may be counted toward meeting the foreign language requirement in various majors. These high school courses will not count as college credit toward graduation.

Secondary school language courses can be used as follows:

1. The first *two years* of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first semester of a college level course, although students with fewer than three years of high school level language may complete the first semester college course for graduation credit.

2. The first *three years* of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first two college semesters, although students with fewer than four years of high school level language may complete the second semester college course for graduation credit. Students who have completed three years of foreign language in high school will not receive credit for the first semester college course unless at least five years separate the last high school course and the first college course.

3. *Four years* of high school level language count as the equivalent of three college semesters or five college quarters, thus fulfilling the foreign language requirement.

Courses (HEBRW)

LOWER DIVISION COURSES

All lower division courses in Hebrew are taught in Hebrew.

No credit will be given for Hebrew 101, 102, 201 taken out of sequence.

100. Hebrew Alphabet (1)

Study of Hebrew alphabet; practice with reading and comprehending whole texts (without vowels), as well as pronouncing. Intended for students of Hebrew 101 who have not previously studied the alphabet. May also be taken without Hebrew 101. Does not satisfy foreign language requirement.

101. Elementary Hebrew I (3)

Three lectures and one hour of laboratory.

Beginning reading, writing, and conversational skills. Essentials of grammar. Not open to students who have completed three years of high school Hebrew unless the third course was completed five or more years ago.

102. Elementary Hebrew II (3)

Three lectures and one hour of laboratory.

Prerequisite: Hebrew 101.

Continuation of Hebrew 101. Not open to students who have completed four years of high school Hebrew unless the fourth course was completed five or more years ago.

200. Reading Classical Hebrew (1)

Prerequisite: Knowledge of the Hebrew alphabet.

Continuation of Hebrew 100. Reading in Hebrew of short selections from Hebrew Bible and Prayerbook, study of songs, reading of simple stories. Focus on learning Hebrew roots and affixes through readings. Does not satisfy foreign language requirement.

201. Intermediate Hebrew (4)

Four lectures and one hour of laboratory.

Prerequisites: Hebrew 102 and 200.

Continuation of Hebrew 102. Applications of grammar and reading skills. Additional practice in conversation.

296. Experimental Topics (1-4)

Selected topics. May be repeated with new content. See Class Schedule for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree.

UPPER DIVISION COURSES (Intended for Undergraduates)

All upper division courses in Hebrew are taught in Hebrew unless otherwise stated.

330. Hebrew Discourse and Literature (3)

Prerequisites: Hebrew 201 and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations II.C., Humanities.

Varieties of Hebrew discourse, including different types of modern discourse, and selected highlights of Hebrew literature throughout the ages, to be read in Hebrew. Use of variety of language modalities, including film, drama, translation, and student reports.

470. Kabbalah as a Symbolic System (1-2)

Prerequisite: Upper division standing.

Main concepts of kabbalah in English to include Tree of life and shpirot; masculine and feminine aspects, sex and sexuality; alef-bet of Creation and "meanings" of Hebrew letters. Taught in English.

496. Topics in Hebraic Studies (1-4)

Topics in Hebraic language, literature, culture, and linguistics. May be repeated with new content. See Class Schedule for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree. Maximum credit eight units.

499. Special Study (1-3) I, II

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Individual study. Maximum credit six units.
