



Only courses in which the student has earned grades of C- or better may be counted toward the minor.

# **DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: ASSOCIATE IN ARTS**

#### Jewish Studies

- A. Credit Requirements: The student must complete Jewish studies courses equivalent to five semesters of the Core segment and 7 additional Jewish studies credits. These requirements must be completed within six years of admission. Students in a Sy Syms School of Business Bachelor of Science program, or in a joint or combined program, must also meet these requirements to receive the AA degree.
- B. **Residency Requirements:** The student must have prior or simultaneous receipt of a bachelor's degree from Stern College or Sy Syms School of Business. At least three semesters of the Core segment and all 7 additional Jewish studies credits must be taken at Stern College.
- C. **Grade Requirements:** Students must achieve an overall average of 3.000 or better in all Jewish studies courses taken on campus for the AA degree.
- D. **Administrative Requirements:** Each student must receive approbation of the faculty and must file an Application for Graduation during the registration period of the semester in which the student completes all requirements.

#### **PLACEMENT**

**Hebrew Placement:** Before registration, each student is assigned to the appropriate level of study—elementary, intermediate, or advanced—based on a written placement exam. (A student will not receive credit for courses on a level lower than the one in which she has been placed.) Even the elementary- level courses presuppose the student's ability to read Hebrew text and to write the Hebrew alphabet in cursive script.

**Mathematics Placement:** A placement examination in Mathematics, which may be taken online, is required of all students wishing to study biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, and physics.

**Foreign Language Study** Students studying a new language beginning with the elementary level must take the entire year's sequence.

A student who wishes to continue a foreign language taken in high school should use the following general rule: one year of high school study is equivalent to one semester of college study. The first semester of an elementary course is open only to students with no previous course work in the language. Students will not receive credit for college language courses that duplicate what they have studied in high school.

## WORKLOAD

The average number of credits for a full semester's work toward the bachelor's degree is 15 to 18 (this includes those credits transferred to the degree from the Core segment of the Jewish Studies Program). No more than seven courses, including approved courses taken outside the college, may be taken in a semester.

A full-time student is defined as one who is enrolled for at least 12 credits toward the B.A. degree during a 15-week semester.

Students with low averages are subject to restrictions on their workloads as described in Academic Retention, Probation, and Dismissal, under the Academic Information and Policies section.

Information regarding the college's online course policy is available at:

https://www.yu.edu/Advising/Stern-Academic-Advising/faq/#faq13.

## S. DANIEL ABRAHAM HONORS PROGRAM

The S. Daniel Abraham Honors Program at Stern College stresses writing and critical analysis, cultural enrichment, research, leadership training, and individual mentoring. The program challenges high-achieving students, while giving them enhanced opportunities for research and personal growth.

#### Admission to the Program

Students typically apply to and are accepted into the Honors Program prior to their arrival at Stern College. The application process is very competitive. As a guide, the average GPA for Honors acceptees is a 94. The average SAT score (new examination) is a 1460 (Critical Reading and Math) and the average ACT score is a 32. Students applying to the Honors Program are considered for one of the academic scholarships available to applicants who show outstanding promise.

For more about the admissions process click http://yu.edu/admissions/honors/apply/.

In addition, a limited number of spaces are available each year for students already on campus; such students may apply in early June for acceptance the following fall. To be eligible for consideration, students must have a GPA of at least 3.75 and submit the special application available from the director of the Honors Program. There are no financial awards given to students already at SCW who join the honors program.

