Proposed Changes to Jewish Studies Major, 2013-2014:

1. Because we can only offer some courses which count toward the major every two years, we are proposing the addition of existing courses among electives which count toward the major to make it easier to complete (syllabi included).
   1. New Testament (LIT 3374) 3 credits  
      “A historical and literary approach to the Bible text and the methods modern scholars use to understand it. Covers the content and historical setting of the New Testament in Jewish and Greco-Roman culture, as well as the style and genre of different books.”  
      *(This course is to be added to the* *“Religion” category in the* [*Content Courses requirement*](http://www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/PREcatalog/artsandletters.php#jewish)*.)*
   2. Comparative Politics: Middle East (CPO 4403) 3 credits  
      “The course will explain the complex political process in the Middle East. Students will explore the historical background and current developments of the major sociopolitical trends.” (*About one-third of this course is devoted to Israel and its relations with neighboring countries; it is to be added to the “Politics and Social Issues” category in the Content Courses requirement.*)
2. Jewish Studies majors will also write a research paper which receives a grade of C+ or above in either JST 3403, Classical Jewish Civilization; JST 3404, Modern Jewish Civilization, or another Jewish Studies course at the discretion of the director of the program.
3. We are cleaning up the list Content Courses Required by inserting two Jewish Studies courses already in the catalogue into the appropriate categories in the Content Courses requirement:
4. In “Politics and Social Issues”: **Women and Judaism (JST 4510) 3 credits**   
   “The first part of this course surveys the history of women in Judaism from Biblical times, considering social and religious factors. The second part covers women in Judaism in the 20th and 21st centuries, including both feminist theory and the different perspectives of many individual women.”
5. And in “Arts and Culture”: **Jewish Literature through the Centuries (JST 3102)**   
   “Surveys Jewish literature from the Bible to recent times, providing a sense of its range and richness in different centuries and cultures. Course reviews literary technique in prose and poetry as well as analyzes how texts express religious, cultural, and political meaning.”

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