

## Sample Program Schedule

# Spertus MA in Jewish Professional Studies

### Key to Sample Academic Overview

#### Online | Course Readings and Preparation

Spertus Institute uses Desire2Learn (D2L) as its online learning platform. You will receive D2L access after acceptance to the program. Readings and course preparation materials are available approximately six weeks prior to the course start date. You will be notified by email.

#### Onsite | Seminars at Spertus institute in Chicago

Seminars generally take place Sunday through Thursday at Spertus Institute's award-winning downtown Chicago campus,

#### On Your Own | Papers and/or Projects for Each Course

Independent work includes papers, strategic plans, case studies, and examples of applied learning to allow for reflection and integration of course content. These components provide students with opportunities to bridge theory and practice in relation to their own organization or community.

#### Ongoing | Capstone Project and Mentoring Sessions (Begins Year 2)

The capstone project is an individualized project geared to the student's own area of focus. It demonstrates the student's summation of learning. Each student will be matched with a mentor to more deeply explore specific areas of professional development. Students are expected to schedule their mentorship sessions.

#### About Faculty

See faculty bios, credentials, and areas of research at [spertus.edu/academics/faculty](https://spertus.edu/academics/faculty)

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## Year 1

Course 1 | **Jewish Studies for the Jewish Professional**

Course 2 | **Working with People**

5–6 weeks prior to seminar	Courses 1 and 2 Required Readings & Preparation	Online
Sunday–Thursday Spring Year 1	Chicago Seminar <i>Integrated professional writing workshop</i>	Onsite
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own

Course 3 | **Management and Supervision**

Course 4 | **Jewish Peoplehood**

5–6 weeks prior to seminar	Courses 3 and 4 Required Readings & Preparation	Online
Sunday–Thursday Fall Year 1	Chicago Seminar <i>Mentoring overview takes place during seminar (matching process follows)</i>	Onsite
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own

Course 5 | **Major Jewish Values**

5-6 weeks prior to web conference	Course 5 Required Readings & Preparation	Online
Winter Year 1	Web Conferencing Course <i>Meets for eight 2-hour participatory sessions via Zoom</i>	Online
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own

Course 6 | **This American Jewish Life**

Course 7 | **Fundraising**

5–6 weeks prior to seminar	Courses 6 and 7 Required Readings & Preparation	Online	Capstone Project & Mentoring Sessions Begin
Sunday–Thursday Spring Year 2	Chicago Seminar <i>Capston Project introduction</i>	Onsite	
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own	

**Year 2**

Course 8 | **The Role of Israel in Jewish Life**

Course 9 | **Strategic and Financial Planning**

5–6 weeks prior to seminar	Courses 6 and 7 Required Readings & Preparation	Online	Ongoing
Sunday–Thursday Fall Year 2	Chicago Seminar <i>Presentation of Capstone Proposal</i>	Onsite	Capstone Project & Mentoring Sessions Underway
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own	

Course 10 | **Marketing and Communications Fundamentals**

5-6 weeks prior to web conference	Course 5 Required Readings & Preparation	Online	Ongoing
Winter Year 2	Web Conferencing Course <i>Meets for eight 2-hour participatory sessions via Zoom</i>	Online	Capstone Project & Mentoring Sessions Underway
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own	

Course 11 | Mini Course Electives

Course 12 | Becoming an Effective Jewish Leader

5–6 weeks prior to seminar	Courses 11 and 12 Required Readings & Preparation	Online	Capstone Project Completion
Sunday–Thursday Winter Year 2	Chicago Seminar	Onsite	
Due 4–6 weeks after seminar depending on class	Papers and/or Projects to Complete Course	On Your Own	

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## Graduation May of Year 2

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