

**Guide to the Yeshiva** 

# THE UNDERGRADUATE TORAH EXPERIENCE



Our Yeshiva has a long and profound history and legacy of Torah scholarship, Jewish values, and spiritual aspirations. Grounded in the world-view of Rav Yosef Dov Soloveitchik and guided today by our world-renowned Roshei Yeshiva, we prepare each student on his personal path to greatness. We have assembled in one Yeshiva an unparalleled group of warm Rebbeim, insightful Mashgichim, and helpful support staff to enable you to have an uplifting and enriching Torah experience—ranging from beginner to advanced levels. Beyond the Beit Midrash and classroom learning, we provide programming, shabbatonim, and extracurricular events with Rebbeim, often in their homes. As you decide where you will spend the next stage of your life's journey, we hope that you will join us here in Yeshiva and take full advantage of all that we have to offer you here.

### With Torah Blessings,



Rabbi Dr. Ari Berman, President



Rabbi Dr. Yosef Kalinsky, Dean

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Rabbi Elchanan Adler



Rabbi Eliyahu Ben-Haim



Rabbi Yitzchak Cohen



Rabbi Daniel Feldman



Rabbi Meir Goldwicht



Rabbi David Hirsch



Rabbi Dr. Dovid Horwitz



Rabbi Aharon Kahn



Rabbi Eliakim Koenigsberg



Rabbi Yaakov Neuburger



Rabbi Hershel Reichman



Rabbi Dr. Michael Rosensweig



Rabbi Itamar Rosensweig



Rabbi Avi Sarfaty



Rabbi Hershel Schachter



Rabbi Eliahu Baruch Shulman



Rabbi Baruch Simon



Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky



Rabbi Daniel Stein



Rabbi Mayer Twersky

Rabbi Mordechai Willig



Rabbi Yaakov Werblowsky



Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Wieder



Rabbi Yehuda Willig



Rabbi Ari Zahtz



Rabbi Netanel Wiederblank

# YESHIVA PROGRAM/ MAZER SCHOOL OF TALMUDIC STUDIES (MYP)

The Mazer Yeshiva Program offers an advanced and sophisticated classical yeshiva experience. Students engage in in-depth study of Talmud with our world-renowned Roshei Yeshiva. The most extensive of the programs, MYP offers the exposure to traditional learning while at the same time providing opportunities to interact with Roshei Yeshiva outside the beit midrash, thereby nurturing a special rebbe-talmid relationship.

#### **DAILY SCHEDULE**

- 9 a.m. 12 p.m. morning seder
- 12 p.m. 1 p.m. lunch break
- 1 p.m. 2:30 p.m. shiur

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I love MYP because it allows me to have access to world class Roshei Yeshiva, continue to learn in a serious way, and also the ability to have great camaraderie with the chevra in my shiur.

Sammy V., '24 Englewood, NJ The Frisch School Yeshivat Torat Shraga

# ISAAC BREUER COLLEGE OF HEBRAIC STUDIES (IBC)

#### MOST DIVERSE PROGRAM

The IBC program is designed for students seeking an advanced, yet flexible environment in the major areas of Jewish learning and practice. Core content includes Jewish studies courses, including Jewish history and philosophy, Halacha, Talmud, Hebrew language and Tanach. Within IBC, students are empowered to attain the broad knowledge and skills necessary for meaningful study of classic Jewish texts.

#### **DAILY SCHEDULE**

 A variety of courses are offered between 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. each day. Students choose 2–3 courses a day.

#### HIGHLIGHTS/PROGRAMS

- Practical courses that are relevant to everyday practice of Judaism
- · Diverse courses and flexible schedule
- First-Year Chabura Seminar—a unique course for first-year students transitioning into YU, featuring small study groups allowing students to get to know the Rebbeim and their fellow classmates.
- · Honors-level courses
- Independent Study
- · Asynchronous class options

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Isaac Breuer College has been the most meaningful part of my YU experience.
Choosing your own Judaic program schedule and the Torah that touches you most, promotes true self-growth and authenticity.

Noah S., '23 Hollywood, FL RASG Hebrew Academy Yeshiyat Torah V'Avodah

#### **REBBEIM & FACULTY**



Rabbi Hayyim Angel



Rabbi David Bashevkin



Rabbi Benjamin Blech



Rabbi Dr. Yosef Bronstein



Rabbi Yitzchok Cohen



Rabbi Mordechai Djavaheri



Rabbi Reuven Fink



Rabbi Meir Goldwicht



Rabbi Kalman Laufer



Rabbi Hershel Reichman



Rabbi Zev Reichman



Rabbi Benjamin Rofeh



Rabbi Zvi Romm



Rabbi Allen Schwartz



Rabbi Netanel Wiederblank



Rabbi Moshe Tessone



Dr. Chaviva Levin



Dr. Ari Mermelstein

YC FACULTY



#### **REBBEIM AND FACULTY**



Rabbi Yonason Shippel, Rosh Yeshiva



Rabbi Jon Green, Director



Rabbi Mordechai Becher



Rabbi Reuven Boshnack



Rabbi Dr. Daniel Lerner



Rabbi Yitzchok Liberman



Rabbi Uri Orlian



Professor Harvey Sober



Rabbi Simcha Willig



Rabbi Benjamin Yudin



# THE JAMES STRIAR SCHOOL (JSS)

The JSS program is designed for students who are new to Hebrew language and textual study, who aspire to attain a broad-based Jewish philosophical and text education. Classes are led by dynamic and caring faculty, with daily mentoring from students at YU's rabbinical seminary. The program provides a nurturing and supportive environment, inspiring students to appreciate the beauty, warmth and wisdom of traditional Judaism.

#### **DAILY SCHEDULE**

• A variety of courses are offered between 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. each day. Students choose 2–3 courses a day.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS/PROGRAMS**

- · Focus on foundations and fundamentals of Judaism
- Close relationships with warm Rebbeim
- · Off-campus Shabbatonim
- Practical courses that are relevant to everyday practice of Judaism

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JSS welcomes people from all different backgrounds with a smile and makes me proud to be Jewish.

Asher M., '24 Johannesburg, South Africa JFS School, London

# IRVING I. STONE BEIT MIDRASH PROGRAM (SBMP)

The Stone Beit Midrash Program offers classic Yeshiva learning typified by morning seder with a chavruta in the beit midrash and an in-depth shiur with dynamic Rebbeim. The curriculum includes classes in Tanach, Halacha, Chassidut, and Jewish philosophy.

#### **DAILY SCHEDULE**

- 9 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Opening Shiur
- 10:20 a.m. 11:45 a.m. Morning seder in the beit midrash
- 11:50 a.m. 12:55 p.m. Talmud Shiur

#### **HIGHLIGHTS/PROGRAMS**

- Join your peers for SBMP night seder in the beit midrash and choose to learn any topic of interest between 8 p.m. 10 p.m., or join an exciting shiur specifically tailored to SBMP students 2 nights a week between 9 p.m. 10 p.m.
- Shiur events/Shabbatonim—spend time socializing with your Rebbeim in their homes on and off campus.
- *Shoalim u'meishivim*—each shiur has a semicha student who is there to connect with you, answer questions, and help you prepare for *shiur*.

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I love the Beit Midrash program. The vibe is wonderful, and I enjoy being able to seriously learn topics in addition to Gemara.

Noah R., '24 Los Angeles, CA Yeshivat Torah Shraga Shalhevet High School

#### REBBEIM



Rabbi Eli Belizon



Rabbi Etan Moshe Berman



Rabbi Aharon Ciment



Rabbi Dan Cohen



Rabbi Meir Goldwicht



Rabbi Shmuel Ismach



Rabbi Daniel Rapp



Rabbi Etan Schnall



Rabbi Moshe Tzvi Weinberg



Rabbi Yehuda Willig



## **MASMIDIM PROGRAM**

Developed for students with the potential to become genuine talmidei chachamim, the Masmidim program offers a rigorous, structured learning schedule and curriculum in order to maximize religious and spiritual growth.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS/PROGRAMS**

- Personal mentorship provided by Rabbi Mayer Twersky, director of the program, and the assistant director, Rabbi Tanchum Cohen, who tailor an individualized program for each talmid by mapping out areas for growth in Torah and yiras shomayim as students aspire to become genuine talmidim chochomim.
- Small weekly chaburos with senior Roshei Yeshiva.
- Bekiyus Program that pushes talmidim beyond the typical Yeshiva curriculum.
- Friday morning seder and additional chaburos in gemara and hashkafa



The Masmidim Program is an amazing opportunity to ensure that your commitment and your intensity toward Talmud Torah continues as you transition from your yeshiva in Eretz Yisrael to the beginnning of your YU experience.

Yoni K., '23 Teaneck, NJ Yeshivat HaKotel The Frisch School



Rabbi Mayer Twersky, Director



Rabbi Tanchum Cohen, Assistant Director



Rabbi Ariel Diamond



Rabbi Michoel Zylberman

# UNDERGRADUATE CHABURA

Developed for exceptional aspiring rabbis with a passion to maximize their Torah learning, the BA/Semicha Program enables participants to earn a bachelor's degree and semicha while fully immersing themselves in Torah scholarship that will lay the foundation for their future. Participants learn three daily sedarim and participate in a unique Halacha curriculum tailored toward the future rabbi.

#### **DAILY SCHEDULE**

In addition to the typical Yeshiva schedule, students in this program take a lighter load in the college and study *halcha be-iyun* between 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m. daily, under the guidance of Rabbi Tanchum Cohen.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS/PROGRAMS**

- Place yourself on a track that integrates your undergraduate education with the semicha program
- Focus on practical halachik topics
- Take a lighter load in the college and spread out your degree over four years



Rabbi Tanchum Cohen, Director and Rosh Chabura



Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky

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The Chabura program is a great way to root yourself in the Beis Medrash and feel part of a group of serious Bnei Torah who are looking to grow, without adding too much stress to an already busy schedule.

Josh A., '23 Queens, NY Yeshivat HaKotel Marsha Stern Talmudical Academy - Yeshiva University High School for Boys



# SEPHARDIC PROGRAMMING

We offer premier opportunities to study Torah in the Sephardic tradition to our over 200 Sephardic students on campus. Rabbi Dan Cohen, our Sephardic Mashgiach, lives on campus with his family and hosts students throughout the week and especially on Shabbat in his home. Our Sephardic Beit Midrash hosts daily minyanim and classes catering to our diverse Sephardic student population, who hail from all over the world.



Rabbi Moshe Tessone, IBC Rebbe and Director of Sephardic Programming



Rabbi Hayyim Angel, IBC Rebbe



Rabbi Eliyahu Ben-Haim, Rosh Yeshiva



Rabbi Dan Cohen, SBMP Rebbe and Sephardic Mashgiach



Rabbi Mordechai Djavaheri, IBC Rebbe



Rabbi Benjamin Rofeh, IBC Rebbe and Mashgiach



Rabbi Avi Sarfaty, MYP Rebbe

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The YU Sephardic community is a warm and welcoming environment that has become a place I can count on to always be my home.

Gilad M., '24 Great Neck, NY Great Neck North High School

# **SUPPORT STAFF**

#### **ADMINISTRATION**



Rabbi Zvi Romm, Bochen



Rabbi Willie Balk, Advisor



Rabbi Reuven Boshnack, Advisor



Rabbi Yeshayahu Ginsburg, Advisor



Rabbi Hershel Hartz, Program Director

#### **MASHGICHIM**

Yeshiva is your place to continue to grow as ovdei Hashem—and we are here to help in any way we can. We serve an important role as you adjust to a dual curriculum while maximizing your learning and spiritual growth.



Rabbi Elv Bacon



Rabbi Josh Blass



Rabbi Yosef Blau



Rabbi Reuven Boshnack



Rabbi Aharon Ciment



Rabbi Dan Cohen



Rabbi Binyamin Krohn



Rabbi Azriel Kuschnir



Rabbi Benjamin Rofeh



Rabbi Moshe Tzvi Weinberg



Rabbi Moshe Weinberger

#### **NIGHT SEDER**

#### **Daily from 8 p.m. – 10 p.m.**

Join your peers deep into the night and choose to learn any topic of interest, or keep up with Gemara Bekiyut with our Night Seder Rebbeim and Shoalim UMaishivim.



#### **ISRAEL YESHIVOT EVENTS - MADRICHIM**

Your peers and mentors from your Yeshiva in Israel are here to help you orient to campus and come together for special programs.

- Aish Gesher
- Bar Ilan
- Derech
- Har Etzion
- Hakotel

- Kerem B'Yavneh
- Lev Hatorah
- Mevaseret
- Migdal HaTorah
- Netiv Aryeh

- Orayta
- · Reishit Yerushalayim
- Shaalvim
- Torat Shraga
- Yishrei Lev

# ANNUAL PROGRAMMING

#### FUN FACTS

- \* 150+ couples and
   14 Rebbeim live within
   a few blocks of
   Campus
- \* 10,000 slices of pizza served last year for UTS programming
- \* 200 students in RIETS
- \* Glueck beit midrash has two floors and 700 seats
- \* 25 weekly chaburos, topics ranging from ten minute halacha to in-depth look at the Parsha
- Check out yuzmanim.
   com to see our more
   than 20 daily minyanim
- \* 18,000 Challah Rolls and 6,000 pieces of potato kugel served last year for Shabbat meals

#### SHABBAT U'MOADIM

Shabbat, Chanukah, Purim, Shavuot—life in Yeshiva is only complete when experiencing Shabbat and *moadim* in the Yeshiva. Some of your most uplifting, powerful and memorable moments will take place during these special times of the year.

Shabbat on campus consists of programming every week with rebbeim, mashgichim, and other torah personalities. With a lively Carlebach minyan, spirited tishes, shiurim and activities, students often stay on campus for Shabbat. Monthly In-Shabbatot feature multiple personalities, special minyanim and the camaraderie of more than 300 of your fellow talmidim.

#### SHIUR EVENTS

Learning from your rebbe outside of shiur is a vital component of a Torah education. Shiur lunches, *melave malkas*, Shabbatonim, question and answer sessions, and Chanukah and Purim *mesibot* are just a few of the many opportunities you will have to bond with your rebbe throughout the year.

#### **FARBRENGENS**

Have you ever experienced an uplifting Farbrengen with spirited music and inspiring words of Torah? You won't want to miss these late-night events with Rabbi Moshe Weinberger and other personalities on campus.



## **FINANCIAL AID**

Yeshiva University is committed to providing a high-quality, affordable education that prepares students to be leaders in their chosen professions. We do this by working with each family to understand their individual needs and creating a unique financial aid package that does not saddle students and families with high debt upon graduation. Here are some ways that we make vour education affordable.

#### **FAFSA**

The first step to determining your eligibility is to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This online form is used by the government to determine you and your families **Estimated Family** Contribution (EFC)—the amount that a family is expected to contribute toward the cost of education. If the EFC is less than the cost of YU. then we will help you make up the difference by putting together an aid package that includes YU and government grants and loans to help meet this financial need.

File your FAFSA starting October 1 and using Yeshiva's school code: 002903.

## YOUR FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE

Yeshiva University's financial aid packages are comprised of both academic and need-based grants and scholarships. (funds that do not need to be repaid) as well as government and private loans, (funds that do need to be repaid after your education). In addition, generous work-study funds are made available to students who qualify and are able to work on campus. To make your education affordable. YU disburses more than \$42 million annually in University funds which demonstrates our commitment to making vour education affordable.

## OTHER AID TO MAKE YOUR EDUCATION AFFORDABLE

Yeshiva University recognizes that many families have a commitment to lifelong Jewish education which may have begun in elementary school through high school. As a part of the financial aid process. we have created a unique way of taking that into consideration when offering need-based scholarships, something that sets YU apart from other universities. Learn more at https://www.yu. edu/osf/forms

## INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

International students are also eligible for financial assistance through YU. In lieu of the FAFSA, non-U.S. citizens can file the International Student Financial Aid Application (ISFAA), available at www.yu.edu/osf/forms

#### WE ARE HERE TO HELP

The financial aid process can be confusing and stressful for families but YU is here to help you throughout the process. Please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Student Finance at 212.960.5399 or via email at studentaid@yu.edu



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