



Class of 2024 Award Winners

AWARD NAME

HONOREE

Valedictorian, General Studies

Limor Kohanim

Valedictorian, Rebecca Ivry Department of Jewish Studies

Rachel Benoff

The American Institute of Chemists Award for Excellence in Biochemistry

Rachel Kaplan

Miriam Araten Memorial Award for Excellence in Bible

Nancy Alexander
Rachel Benoff
Gabriella Rahmanfar
Naava Wasserman
Allison Wenger

Art Department Award for Excellence in Studio Art

Zoey Botnick

The Lea and Alfons Blau Award in Life Sciences for Excellence in Biology

Nicole Abittan
Chaya Bacon

The Lea and Alfons Blau Award for a Student Pursuing a Ph.D. in Life Sciences

Leora Kronenberg

The Lea and Alfons Blau Award in Life Sciences for Excellence in Physics

Temira Koenig
Rivka Shapiro

Professor Daniel Block Memorial Award for Excellence in Mathematics

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Jacob Bluttal Award for Excellence in Psychology

Sophie Schanzer

Sol Broder Memorial Award for Excellence and service in Computer Science

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Jennifer Peled
Amanda Poupko

Dr. Sorrell Chesin Research Prize in Life Sciences for Research in Biochemistry

Lilly Glickman
Sarah Ofman

Dr. Sorrell Chesin Research Prize in Life Sciences for Research in BioPhysics

Tara Shtern

Economics Department Award for Excellence in Economics

Michal Becker

English Department Award for Creative Writing

Rebecca Krause



Aliza Chaya Esral Memorial Award for Excellence in Studio Art	Gaya Hyman
Mr. & Mrs. H.I. Feldman Award for Excellence in Biology	Tamra Peled
Bryna Miller Fertig Memorial Award for Volunteer Work with Cancer Patients	Olivia Peller
Malka Fishhaut Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish Studies	Ora Hochberg
Abe Fleishaker Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish History	Rachel Finkelstein Rachel Schachter
Esther Fleishaker Memorial Award for Excellence in Bible	Sophie Schanzer Hannah Shulman
Sol and Sarah Friedland Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish Studies	Kayla Kreinik
Herman Gerofsky Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish History	Rebecca Bennun
Benjamin and Jennie Hammer Memorial Award for Excellence in Political Science	Jacqueline Englanoff Avygayl Zucker
Sara T. Herschfus Memorial Award for Excellence in English	Rina Shamilov
Ida Lamport Hurewitz Memorial Award for Outstanding Achievement in Biology	Rivka Shapiro
Ida Lamport Hurewitz Memorial Award for Excellence in Psychology	Tzivia Deitsch Talia Simpson
Prof. Moses L. Isaacs Memorial Award for Excellence in Chemistry	Liora Rahmani Tara Shtern
Morris and Esther Kermaier Memorial Award for a Student Pursuing the Field of Jewish Studies	Daniella Rifkind
Moses Langer Memorial Award for Excellence in Sociology	Isabella Silver
Langfan Family Constitutional Oratorical Prize – First Place	Fayga Pinczower
Langfan Family Constitutional Oratorical Prize – Third Place	Isabelle Adler
Langfan Family Constitutional Oratorical Prize – Honorable Mention	Naomi Rose
Jacob and Katie Lashin Memorial Award for Creativity and Outstanding Achievement in the Biological Sciences	Avivit Nsiri
Rabbi Chaim Levine Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish Studies	Adina Adler Elisheva Glatt Aliza Strauss
Morris Lipton Memorial Award for Excellence in Music	Miriam Bluth

Math Department Award for Excellence in Mathematics	Rachel Bodek Judith Wechter
Award for Torah and Spiritual Growth for a Mechina student	Avery Allen Sharon Benzaquen Sydney Beberman Sophie Dubin Esther Serfaty
The Dean David and Sarrah Mirsky Memorial Award for Creative Writing – Short Story	Rina Shamilov
The Dean David and Sarrah Mirsky Memorial Award for Excellence in English	Rebecca Bennun
The Dean David and Sarrah Mirsky Memorial Award for the Best Short Critical Essay	Sheindl Berger
The Dean David and Sarrah Mirsky Memorial Award for Excellence in History	Sheindl Berger
The Dean David and Sarrah Mirsky Memorial Award for Excellence in Philosophy	Maxine Pravda
Women’s Branch of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis for Excellence in Jewish Studies	McKenzie Siegel
Marcia Pearlstein Memorial Award for Excellence in Hebraic Studies	Judith Wechter
Professor Nathaniel L. Remes Memorial Award for Character, Personality and Service to Stern College for Women	Amanda Poupko
Joseph Rosenberg Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish Studies and Ethics	Sheindl Berger
The Edward A. Rothman Memorial Award for the best paper on Issues in Judaism in Practice	Maya Mellul
Constance Schwartzappel Memorial Award for Excellence in Studio Art	Sarah Moskowitz
Gilda R. S. Silverman Memorial Award for Excellence in Early Childhood Education	Carolina Churba
Gilda R. S. Silverman Memorial Award for Excellence in Speech Pathology and Audiology	Molly Feder Shayna Orlow
Sociology Department Award for Excellence in Sociology	McKenzie Siegel
Phyllis Gordon Solomon Memorial Award for Excellence in Pre-law Studies and Political Science	Shana Naumberg

The Esther Zuroff Alumnae Award for Service to the College and Academic Achievement	Temira Koenig
Office of Student Life Student Leadership Award – President, Beren Campus Student Government	Avygayl Zucker
Office of Student Life Student Leadership Award – Vice President, Beren Campus Student Government	Faiga Kolodny
Office of Student Life Student Leadership Award – President, TAC	Gabriella Rahmanfar
Torat Adam Award for Excellence in Middot	Gabriella Rahmanfar Sophie Schanzer
Torat Chaim Award for Bringing our Values to Life	Kira Elbaum Meital Lindenberg Rivka Marcus
Torat Chessed Award for Excellence in Chessed	Amanda Poupko Ahuva Ross
Torat Emet Award for Excellence in Torah and Embracing General Knowledge	Aliza Pollack Ma'ayan Tzur
Torat Tzion Award for Commitment to Israel	Chana Acobas Miri Granik
Lisa Wachtenheim Memorial Award for Service	Gabriella Rahmanfar
Susan R. Nobel Wertentheil Memorial Award to a Prospective Law Student and for Excellence in Political Science	Michal Becker Shayna Kahane Roni Leider
YU Women's Organization for Excellence in Childhood Education	Eliana Kravetz
YU Women's Organization for Excellence in Art History	Hannah Shulman
Monis and Chaya Zuckerman Memorial Award for Best Research Paper in Jewish History	Batya Hadad

Faculty

Lillian F. and William L. Silber Professor of the Year	Dr. Shaina Trapedo
Senior Class Professor - Jewish Studies	Prof. Rachel Besser
Senior Class Professor - General Studies	Dr. Alyssa Schuck
Dean Karen Bacon Faculty Award	Dr. Harvey Babich
Dean Karen Bacon Faculty Award	Prof. Elyse Granik