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The Shalom Hartman Institute is a pluralistic center of research and education, deepening and elevating the quality of Jewish life in Israel and around the world. Through our work, we are redefining the conversation about Judaism in modernity, religious pluralism, Israeli democracy, Israel and world Jewry, and the relationship with other faith communities.



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Kogod Research Center for Contemporary Jewish Thought

The future of Jewish tradition requires the continual development of intellectually compelling and morally inspiring ideas. The Kogod Research Center for Contemporary Jewish Thought develops new Torah grounded by and in conversation with 3,000 years of Jewish tradition and life and guided by the needs, realities, and moral and intellectual sensibilities of our time.

The Jerusalem-based Kogod Center, with a branch in North America, is home to outstanding and emerging scholars culled from the brightest minds in academia. Scholars work in research teams that focus on the most pressing issues facing Israeli society and the Jewish world. The thought produced by these teams is translated into widely distributed curricula and educational programs that communicate these ideas, inspiring a compelling and modern understanding of Jewish identity.

David Hartman Center for Intellectual Leadership

The David Hartman Center for Intellectual Leadership is a training ground for the cultivation of the next generation of committed intellectual leaders capable of generating a renaissance in Jewish life in Israel and around the world. David Hartman Center Beit Midrash programs ensure the development of the next generation of Hartman scholarship and an influx of new ideas into greater Israeli society.

Rabbinic Leadership Programs

Recognizing the crucial role that rabbis play as significant agents of change in Jewish life, the Hartman Institute offers structured frameworks for ongoing rabbinic study, enrichment, and thought leadership training. Rabbis of all denominations develop their own voices as intellectual and spiritual leaders through joint study that enriches their textual knowledge, broadens the range of ideas they encounter, and deepens their relationship with Israel.

Video Lecture Series – This resource features community adult education courses built on a combination of video lectures from top Institute faculty, in-person havruta study, and discussion facilitated by local rabbis.

Holiday Webinars – This annual live video series presented by Hartman Institute faculty structured around the Jewish calendar, provides rabbis with insight on important topics of the day and inspires new ways to engage their congregations on the holidays.

Rabbinic Batei Midrash – Partnerships with Boards of Rabbis in select cities offer local rabbis from across the denominational spectrum with opportunities for intimate and high-level seminars on a range of pressing communal issues.

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Hartman Model Orthodox High Schools

Shalom Hartman Institute's high schools draw students from Israel's Orthodox community, nurturing a generation of future leaders committed to democratic values, open to new ideas, and respectful of diversity in Israeli and Jewish life. With a combined student body of more than 700 students, the Charles E. Smith High School for Boys and the Midrashiya High School for Girls provide rigorous Jewish and general studies programs that promote critical thinking, individual creativity, community leadership, social responsibility, and a commitment to gender equality. Using new models for integrating tradition and modernity, the schools spearhead change in Orthodox education across Israel.

Midrashiya High School for Girls

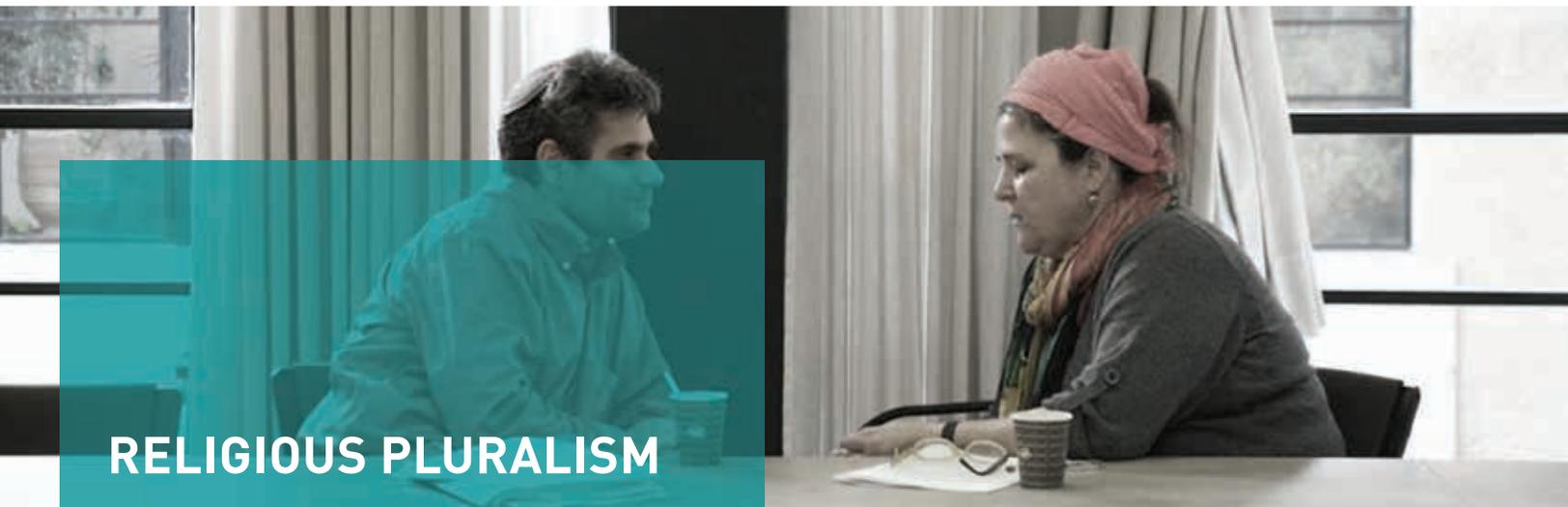
The Midrashiya has successfully implemented an authentic and coherent educational vision that fuses respect for Jewish tradition and study with an obligation to halakha and feminist ideology. The school provides a holistic environment in which Orthodox teenage girls advance spiritually, physically, and intellectually. Midrashiya educational programs develop young women who are empowered to change the Israeli discourse.

midrashiya.hartman.org.il

Charles E. Smith High School for Boys

The innovative Modern Orthodox boys' high school curriculum connects Jewish tradition to the world of contemporary culture and science, while encouraging a combination of academic excellence and social involvement. The school is certified by the Ministry of Education as the official developer of two unique experimental curricula that focus on helping students better understand their own identities as individuals, men, Jews, and Israelis.

boyschool.hartman.org.il



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Beit Midrash for New Israeli Rabbis

The Beit Midrash for New Israeli Rabbis, run in partnership with HaMidrasha at Oranim, is a unique, egalitarian program training a multid denominational group of rabbinic spiritual and educational visionaries, public intellectuals, and community leaders with the power and platform to transform Israeli-Jewish life. Participants are spiritual leaders from the social and geographic center and periphery, representing different types of Jewish communities – Orthodox, liberal, traditional, and secular – and the heads of Israeli organizations working to promote pluralism, diversity, and new ways of accessing their rich Jewish heritage.

The program's curriculum addresses some of the most compelling topics for Israeli society, including ethics, community and community support, modern Jewish identity, sacred time (Shabbat, holidays, and lifecycle

ceremonies), God and theology, family, halakhah and law, and personal, community, and national morals.

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Be'eri Program for Pluralistic Jewish-Israeli Identity Education

Be'eri trains educators, creates innovative curricula, and partners with local and national change agents to provide a pluralistic, content-filled approach to Jewish studies that transforms the way countless Israeli students, educators, and government and community leaders lay claim to their Jewish-Israeli identity. The Be'eri program expands the breadth and depth of pluralistic Jewish-Israeli identity education among Israeli youth by developing formal and informal educational methodologies that encourage educators, students, and parents to take Jewish values-based social action. Be'eri leverages national and municipal partnerships to influence change agents in the education system and the broader ecosystem, introducing them to a multifaceted, approach to Judaism that is meaningful and relevant to their daily lives.

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Min HaBe'erot Initiative for Jewish-Arab Coexistence Education

Min HaBe'erot promotes coexistence in Israel by bringing together Jewish and Arab educators to address issues related to their shared background as citizens of the State of Israel. Joint study of common values based on traditional Muslim, Christian, and Jewish texts strengthens participants' personal identity, social and moral values, and mutual respect.

Min HaBe'erot encourages educators to become committed partners in making a change in Israeli society. Participants undergo a personal and professional process wherein they gain crucial knowledge of relevant sources, better understand their relationship to their own heritage and that of the "other," and work together to develop methodologies for transmitting these lessons to school faculty and in the classroom.

Participants approach the program with honesty, a willingness to be reflective and self-critical if necessary, an understanding of and appreciation for the initiative's pedagogic methodology, and a deep commitment to the program and to translating their study into meaningful action. Participants have exhibited optimism, hope, and a desire to lead real change in their schools, especially during difficult times in Israel.

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Lev Aharon Program for Senior IDF Officers

The Israeli military experience is a major milestone in the lives of the hundreds of thousands who serve in its ranks. The mission of Lev Aharon is to assist senior IDF officers in instigating new manners of thinking about their Jewish-Israeli identity and the expression of that identity in the Israeli public sphere. Understanding the relevance of Jewish values and heritage to their role informs and guides their style of military leadership and motivates their service.

The Hartman Institute's Applied Military Ethics research team, comprising top Israeli scholars with extensive background in military ethics and Jewish thought, is tasked with creating the thought used for training and educating senior IDF officers. The curriculum focuses on matters of military ethics and morality, Jewish and Israeli identity, Zionism, religious pluralism, and the complex interplay between Judaism and democracy in Israeli society.

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Hazon: The Israeli Emerging Leaders Initiative

The goal of Hazon: The Israeli Emerging Leaders Program is to develop an Israeli leadership capable of inspiring societal transformation from the ground up. The program identifies and equips outstanding Israeli BA students, who have proven leadership potential and a sense of social responsibility, with the conceptual tools to create a cultural revolution. During the two-year program, participants, comprising a diverse religious, ethnic, political, and cultural cross-section of Israeli society, convene for nine hours of study a week on core curricular topics of Judaism and modernity, religious pluralism, Jewish and democratic Israel, Jewish peoplehood, and Jewish leadership. Through this training, Hazon is developing the next generation of leaders with the core intellectual, conceptual, and leadership skills to reshape Israeli society, redefine its Jewish and democratic future, and reshape its moral and spiritual agenda in a way that will ensure its survival, vitality, and mission.

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iEngage: The Engaging Israel Project

The iEngage Project is creating a new narrative regarding the significance of Israel for Jewish life. This narrative serves as a foundation for a new covenant between Israel and world Jewry, elevating the existing discourse from one with a crisis-based focus to one rooted in Jewish values and ideas. Led by a team of internationally renowned scholars in the fields of Jewish studies, Middle East politics, and history, iEngage is committed to addressing core questions pertaining to the necessity and significance of the State of Israel.

iEngage has become the premier educational program on Israel engagement in North America, reaching tens of thousands of constituents within the Jewish community. iEngage programs are often developed and presented in partnership with organizations both local and national, including synagogues, Hillels, JCC's, major institutions, national conferences, and local boards of rabbis.

iengage.org.il



Hevruta Gap-Year Program

Israeli and North American Judaism offer different, vibrant expressions of Jewish life. Each community can derive significant value from studying with and experiencing the other. However, the dynamics within each community, and between the two, are complicated. The Hevruta Gap-Year Program, run in partnership

with Hebrew College, embraces these complexities and empowers a pluralistic group of emerging leaders to create a new, shared, values-based language rooted in Jewish tradition that has the power to transform these disparate Jewish communities into interdependent and mutually supportive ones.

Housed at the Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, Hevruta combines rigorous intellectual pursuit, text study, leadership training, and dialogue about critical contemporary questions of Jewish identity, Israel, and North American Judaism. The program is based on the integration of study, community service, and social-action work with local change agents, community-building between the Israeli and North American participants, and encounters with Israeli society.

hevrutagapyear.org



Shalom Hartman Institute of North America

Shalom Hartman Institute of North America enriches the resources, vision, and commitment of the leaders and change agents who shape the future of Jewish life in North America. By convening professional and lay leaders of major communal organizations at seminars and conferences and through national cohort programs, SHI North America empowers Jewish leaders to develop new approaches to addressing the deep challenges facing their communities today. SHI North America serves the Jewish community in three key ways:

- Producing scholarship that responds to the big questions facing contemporary North American Jewry through its independent creative research center;
- Collaborating with Jewish organizations to develop and implement leadership training programs, seminars, and conferences to address the major challenges facing the Jewish people today;
- Convening community leaders, including rabbis, educators, and lay leaders, around essential Jewish conversations through targeted and public programs.

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SHI North America in Israel

SHI North America cohort programs include an intensive Israel component, in which participants engage with Israel as a feature of Jewish life, and explore the Jewish connection to Israel through text study with Hartman scholars, encounters, and study trips. Throughout the year, synagogue and Jewish organizational groups visit

the Hartman Institute for intensive study during their trips to Israel. Every summer, our Jerusalem campus fills with hundreds of rabbis, educators, and laypeople from around the globe who come together to study a core theme with top Hartman Institute scholars and visiting subject-matter experts.

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Christian Leadership Initiative

The comprehensive, year-long Christian Leadership Initiative (CLI), run in partnership with AJC, introduces prominent Christian leaders and change agents from North America to the rich tapestry of contemporary Judaism and Israeli society. Through intensive learning with renowned Hartman scholars, participants engage with Jewish tradition and modernity, Jewish responses to critical contemporary challenges, and the Jewish relationship to Israel.

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Muslim Leadership Initiative

The Muslim Leadership Initiative (MLI) is paving a new path toward Jewish-Muslim relations in North America. MLI is an immersive learning experience that seeks to expand participants' critical understanding of Jewish peoplehood, the relationship between religion and national identity, the meaning of the land of Israel for Jews, and related issues of ethics, faith, and practice. This is achieved through a rigorous academic curriculum and exposure to diverse narratives.

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