Considering a Preparatory Program?

Whatever your academic or career goals, our Preparatory Programs (Mechina and BASIS) can help open doors to a successful and fulfilling future.

ELIGIBILITY
Mechina Programs are designed for high school or secondary school graduates who plan to pursue a degree at HebrewU or another institution in Israel, and who:
• Have a diploma from an institution outside of Israel (generally not considered equivalent to the Israeli matriculation certificate), and/or
• Need to improve their Hebrew or English skills
Our direct-admissions-track BASIS program is open to outstanding high school graduates from Australia, Belgium, England, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Switzerland, and the US, as well as any international students with an International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma.

COSTS & FUNDING
For current information on tuition, fees, housing, and other costs, visit us online:
overseas.huji.ac.il/academics/preparatory/mechina/tuition

Financial aid and scholarships are available. Learn more about options to fund your studies:
overseas.huji.ac.il/scholarships

APPLY
Ready to apply to one of our preparatory programs? You’ll find everything you need online:
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Why Attend a Preparatory Program at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem?

If you’re a high school or secondary school graduate who wants to pursue bachelor’s studies in Israel, our year-long mechina (preparation) programs are your gateway to the future. At Hebrew University’s Rothberg International School (RIS), you’ll be treated as an individual – with outstanding student support to help you gain independence and thrive in a new country and culture. You’ll enjoy:

- Expert Hebrew language instruction
- Personalized guidance from your academic advisors
- Instruction from highly qualified faculty with expertise in a wide range of fields
- Engaging trips and excursions

You’ll also benefit from our reputation as one of the world’s top 100 institutions and the highest-ranked university in Israel. Learn more about us: overseas.huji.ac.il/about

Mechina

Our flagship Mechina Program offers you intensive language training as well as studies in Jewish history, Israel studies, statistics or mathematics, and more. For some courses, you may earn credit through HebrewU’s Faculties of Science, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

Direct Track to B.A. Studies for International Students (BASIS)

The first program of its kind in Israel, this admissions track to bachelor’s degree studies offers a challenging academic experience for outstanding international students.

Yesod

Similar to BASIS, Yesod is for students from the former Soviet Union.

Academic Credit

If you are already proficient in English or Hebrew, you may earn credits toward a bachelor’s degree during your program, including:

- Introductory-level courses from the RIS Division of Undergraduate Studies
- Courses in biology, physics, psychology, international relations, and more
- Courses from the Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences

BASIS includes:

- Modern Hebrew language instruction
- English language instruction (as needed)
- Core courses in your chosen area of study
- Personalized academic counseling

Explore the Possibilities

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Your Gateway to Success

Our alumni go on to great things. Completing a Mechina Program helps to ease your transition into academic studies in Israel and improves your chances of admission to prestigious institutions – including HebrewU. Students in BASIS who meet minimum requirements are guaranteed acceptance to a HebrewU department.

Mechina Alumni Association

Your home away from home after completing one of our preparatory programs, the Mechina Alumni Association organizes events and offers tutoring and career assistance to hundreds of graduates each year. Visit them online: huijmechinalumni.weebly.com

Enjoy Student Life in Jerusalem

Home to a booming high-tech industry as well as a rich cultural history, Jerusalem will be your second classroom. You’ll also find plenty of trendy shops, festivals, and restaurants to explore here, with a range of dining options for all tastes and budgets.

Student Support

We create a supportive environment for our students. We’ll help you adjust to life on campus, and you’ll have access to modern facilities at HebrewU. A staff of specially selected multilingual Israeli students called madrichim will live with you in our on-campus housing and introduce you to the excitement of life in Jerusalem, with activities including:

- Guided tours and field trips to help you explore
- Cultural and social events to introduce you to Israeli life
- Holiday celebrations and special events

Visit us online to learn more about our services: overseas.huji.ac.il/student-life/mechina-support

I decided to study in the Mechina to get to know Jerusalem better, make a foundation. It has been a great opportunity to make connections with people.”

Galya Globerman, Preparatory Program (Mechina) (2017)