FAQ: Which Program is Right for Me?

I work for an organization that develops curricula for Jewish schools. I would like a Master's in Jewish Education, but I'm not a classroom teacher. Is there a program for me?

Answer: Yes. The Master's in Jewish Curriculum Development is designed to give you all of the same background knowledge as our teaching program, but substitutes intensive work on curricula in place of student teaching.

I'm entering the *smicha* program, and I'm looking for an education program that can also fulfill my RIETS co-requisite requirement.

ESSENTIAL PROGRAM COMPONENTS

While there are many different Master's programs at Azrieli, they all share certain key components.

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to you to get the information you need, test your knowledge, and find new ways to apply it. You must be able to complete lessons and postings on time. A grade of INCOMPLETE IS NOT PERMITTED as an option.

2-YEAR TEACHER PROGRAM

Purpose

BA/MS Program
Stern College for Women/Yeshiva College (1-Year)

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The purpose of the BA/MS Program is to prepare highly qualified educators for teaching positions in Jewish day schools and *yeshivot* across the country. The program offers candidates a unique opportunity to earn a bachelor's and master's degree in an expeditious yet rigorous manner.

Structure

Joint bachelor's-master's programs exist between Stern College for Women (SCW)/ Yeshiva College (YC) and the Azrieli Graduate School of Jewish Education (AGS). Students who complete the program receive both BA and MS degrees. The graduate courses may count toward the 84 credit undergraduate residency requirement, may count both toward undergraduate requirements and the graduate degree, or may just allow the student to get an early start on graduate study.

Students in the BA/MS program take four total graduate courses in the fall and spring of their

Smicha Student Master's Program

Purpose

The purpose of the *Smicha* Student Program is to prepare highly qualified *smicha* students for teaching positions in Jewish day schools and *yeshivot* across the country. The program offers candidates a unique opportunity to earn a Master's of Science in Education while earning rabbinic ordination concurrently. This makes students highly attractive candidates for day school and other teaching positions.

This program is an approved co-requisite for RIETS students.

Structure

Students in the *Smicha* Student Master's Program pursue their educational studies in years three and four of *smicha*. Students in *smicha* take two night classes in the fall and two in the spring of their third year. They take two methods electives during the summer (available online). During their fourth year, students complete four more evening classes (two and two), along with PEP. Though the coursework is in the evening, PEP takes place during the day on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Friday

6. Leave of Absence: Students who are not registering for any courses during a semester are required to register for a leave of absence (there is no charge). Students who will be registering for a leave of absence must contact the Azrieli office and arrange a meeting with the director of the Master's program to formulate a plan for finishing coursework and reentering the cohort in an acceptable manner. Students cannot take a leave of absence for longer than a semester over a calendar year; beyond which will have to reapply to the program and pay the application fee.

7. Graduation: It is the student's responsibility to apply for graduation once his or her coursework, student teaching (PEP), and professional portfolio are completed. Graduation forms are submitted to Mrs. Louisa Wolf in Belfer Hall 311. Once payment is submitted to the Finance Office, students should apprise Mrs. Wolf at lwolf1@yu.edu. Please note that applications will not be processed without the accompanying fee. Students graduating in September, January, and May are included in the graduation

Town Hall Meetings

Several times throughout the semester, the Director will hold optional town hall meetings. The director is then available to