

## SCHOOL REGULATIONS

**Attendance:** Students are expected to attend all their scheduled class sessions and to be present promptly at the beginning of the session unless prevented from doing so by illness or other compelling cause. The instructor keeps a record of each student's class attendance.

A student's attendance record is taken into account when determining his continuing status in the program. Continued unexcused absences of more than 50% of the scheduled sessions will result in the student receiving a grade of a G for the course, which may lead to probation or academic dismissal from the school.

Permission to register late in a course does not in itself excuse the student's absence from classes already held.

**Probation:** Students who do not maintain a GPA of at least 2.000 will be placed on probation for the next academic semester. Students on full academic probation are limited to 13 credits in Yeshiva College or Sy Syms including a mandatory transfer of UTS credit that appears on the Bachelor's transcript as HES credit. Other restrictions follow those of the undergraduate schools as noted in the catalog.

Students with two consecutive semesters or three semesters overall of work below a 2.000 are subject to dismissal from the school. Students must show positive progression through the program and cannot graduate if in their last semester they receive less than a 2.000 GPA.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Student Organization of Yeshiva (SOY), representing the UTS student body, meets regularly with the administration on matters of mutual concern. SOY coordinates and sponsors activities such as Shabbatonim, holiday celebrations, charity drives, periodic sales of *seforim* (texts) and lectures.

SOY publishes an annual Torah journal, *Beit Yitzchak*, which features articles of Talmudic and halakhic analyses.

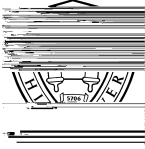
## ETHICS AND SCHOLARSHIP

Faculty and students alike seek to create an atmosphere that provides and promotes the highest standards of ethical conduct and scholarship in the achievement of personal and professional goals. All rules and procedures delineated in the academic integrity policy on cheating and plagiarism apply to students in undergraduate Torah studies courses.

## ISAAC BREUER COLLEGE OF HEBRAIC STUDIES

Isaac Breuer College of Hebraic Studies (IBC) provides a rich undergraduate course of study for students seeking a structured and comprehensive yet flexible program in the major areas of Jewish learning, such as Talmud, Bible, Hebrew language and literature,

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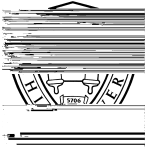


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Jewish history, Jewish philosophy and ethics, and Jewish law. The program attracts students interested in a broad range of Jewish studies in addition to Talmud studies.

The school was named in 1982 in recognition of a major gift by the late Hermann Merkin and his wife, Ursula, in memory of her father, Isaac Breuer. The college is the successor of Teachers Institute for Men, 1917–66, and Erna Michael College of Hebraic Studies, 1966–82. IBC is located at the Wilf Campus and benefits from its association with several



intermediate level. JSS is the only introductory Jewish studies program for college age students in the country designed to be taken simultaneously with a prestigious college program on the same campus. No matter what background they may have, all JSS students demonstrate an eagerness to grow in their commitment to “Jewish Living, Jewish Learning, and Jewish Leadership.

The program teaches the fundamentals of Jewish scholarship and heritage through a unique curriculum and exciting out-of-classroom experiences. It offers courses in Hebrew language, Bible, Mishnah & Talmud, and Jewish History, Philosophy, Laws, & Customs. Rabbi Moshe Besdin zt”l, the founding director, sought to create an atmosphere dedicated to teaching “It, and not just about It” – i.e. to learn about Judaism in text and context, in thought and practice.

In addition to its small classes, the program pairs students with a member of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS) for regular study sessions. These study sessions help students gain textual skills in a relatively short amount of time. Furthermore, the program sponsors regular weekend retreats as well as field trips to enhance the academic and Jewish experiences of its members. In addition to formal classes, the program fosters close relationships between teachers and students through continuing individual guidance.

The James Striar School of General Jewish Studies was established in 1956 as the Jewish Studies Program and renamed in 1965 to honor the generosity of the Striar family in memory of their father, James Striar. Its location at the Wilf Campus affords stimulating interactions with the university’s other undergraduate schools as well as graduate schools and affiliates, and provides easy access to the major resources of the Institution.

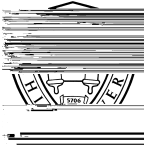
### **STUDENT ADVISEMENT**

The James Striar School feels that the key to a successful Torah learning experience is creating a warm relationship between a teacher and student. To help create this bond, each student is guided toward an individualized course of study.

Prior to each registration each student meets with the director, who evaluates the skills and interests of the student and then pairs the student with the teachers who might be the best fit for that student. Class sizes are kept small and intimate.

### **REQUIRED COURSES**

Students must register for at least 15 credits within the program each semester. The cumulative index of these courses will transfer as three HES credits per semester toward completion of their bachelor’s degrees at Yeshiva College or Sy Syms School of



or 1102 before they can begin 1203. Students who demonstrate Hebrew proficiency are exempted from this requirement.

- Jewish History — two courses.
- Jewish Studies — six courses from *Halakhah*, Jewish History, Jewish Philosophy/Thought, Judaic Studies, *Tanakh* and/or Talmud.

### **AA DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

Completion of the required courses listed above for all students and six additional electives including at least two from *Tanakh* as well as four courses chosen from *Halakhah*, Jewish History, Jewish Philosophy/Thought, Judaic Studies, *Tanakh* and/or Talmud.

### **IRVING I. STONE BEIT MIDRASH PROGRAM**

Established in 1995 through the benefaction of the Irving I. Stone Support Foundation, the Irving I. Stone Beit Midrash Program (SBMP) offers students a Jewish studies program that recognizes their special academic needs and time constraints while maintaining a high level of traditional study in a structured and diversified curriculum. The mission of SBMP is to create an educated and committed Yeshiva graduate with a broad base of knowledge. In addition to Talmud *sefer* (preparation period) and *shiur* (lecture), the program includes courses in *Tanakh* (Bible), *Machshevet Yisrael* (Jewish thought, ethics, and philosophy) and *Halakhah* (Jewish law). Students derive the unique benefits of learning in a yeshiva Beit Midrash environment.

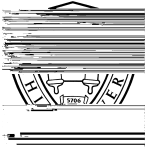
SBMP provides preparation for both ordination at the university's affiliated Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary and for advanced graduate Hebraic or Semitic studies. The program also fosters a *keshet* (strong relationship) between the *talmid* (student) and his *rebbe* (teacher). Rebbeim in the Stone Beit Midrash Program are available to their talmidim during evening *sefer* as well as Shabbat. Additionally each *shiur* has a *shoel u'maishiv* (teaching mentor) to help students in their learning and ensure newcomers a smooth transition to SBMP from either high school or Israel Yeshiva experience.

A strong complement of *mashgichim* (spiritual guidance counselors) who staff the various Batei Midrash for regular morning and night *sedarim* helps students in their learning and spiritual growth.

Students may transfer up to three credits per semester toward completion of their bachelor's degrees at Yeshiva College or Sy Syms School of Business.

### **AA DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

Successful completion of the courses required of all students to fulfill the YC/SSSB Jewish Studies requirement plus twelve additional courses chosen from *Halakhah*, Jewish Thought, Talmud and *Tanakh*.



## YESHIVA PROGRAM/MAZER SCHOOL OF TALMUDIC STUDIES

The Yeshiva Program/Mazer School of Talmudic Studies (MYP) offers an undergraduate course of study in which Talmudic texts and commentaries are studied intensively in the original Aramaic and Hebrew in a classical yeshiva setting.

MYP was named through a major gift in 1979 by the Joseph and Ceil Mazer Foundation. It has been in existence as a separate entity since 1970, but is a continuation of the institution's oldest component, the yeshiva from which the university developed. Students in MYP have varied professional and academic interests but are united in their desire to develop in Talmudic scholarship and knowledge of *Halakhah* (Jewish law).

The heart of the curriculum is the intensive study of Talmud and its commentaries, designed not only to give the student a firm foundation in traditional learning skills and in the handling of original texts, but also direction, in both learning and character, and to develop an appreciation of the Jewish tradition. Students prepare for their lectures by studying with chavrusa partners in the Beit Midrash – which has always been the academic heart of the great centers of Jewish learning through the ages.

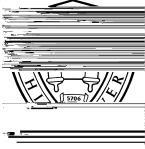
In addition to Talmud, there are elective classes in related texts and lectures in Mussar, which emphasize ethics, character improvement and an emphasis on the continuity of Jewish tradition from Sinai to the present. The faculty includes graduates of the foremost yeshivot, both here and abroad, who are internationally recognized scholars.

An integral part of the program is the highly successful voluntary night *seder* (study period) in the Beit Midrash, overseen by night *seder* Rebbeim and *shoalim u'maishivim*. Students also have the opportunity to attend *bekiut shiurim* (classes in additional Talmudic texts). MYP sponsors an annual Bekiut Incentive Award Program, with rewards for students who master large segments of additional texts beyond the regular curriculum.

A strong complement of *mashgichim/shoalim u'maishivim* (spiritual guidance counselors/teaching mentors) who staff the various Batei Midrash for regular morning and night *sedarim* helps students in their learning and spiritual growth. Additionally each shiur has an assistant to help students in their learning and ensure newcomers a smooth transition to MYP from either high school or Israel Yeshiva experience.

Students may transfer up to three credits per semester toward completion of their bachelor's degrees at Yeshiva College or Sy Syms School of Business.

**Class Assignments:** Students are assigned to classes by the Dean, bochein, or a Mashgiach based on level and progress of learning as well as on student requests. Shiur changes may be made only with the permission of the dean, bochein, or administrator. Students not attending, or who are attending classes other than those officially assigned to them, may be placed on probation the following semester. Students receiving notices



that they have not been assigned to a class must arrange to see the Dean, bochein or administrator immediately.

### **AA DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

Successful completion of the courses required of all students to fulfill the YC/SSSB Jewish Studies requirement plus six additional intensive (16 credit) courses in Talmud.

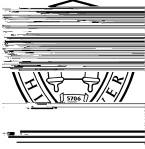
### **ALL DAY LEARNING PROGRAM**

In 2012 Yeshiva University introduced a full day learning program that enables students who have been accepted into Yeshiva College or Sy Syms School of Business to spend up to one year learning full time in the Yeshiva Program, with special afternoon and evening requirements prior to commencing their course of study at YC or SSSB.

### **BA/SEMIKHAH PROGRAM**







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Appropriate progress in the regular MYP *shiur*, in keeping with the expectations of honors students

To allow excellence in all aspects of study, *talmidim* are expected to take between 12 and 16 bachelor's credits per semester, subject to approval of the program director. Students must remain in the program three years and are encouraged to allow four years for college, beyond their studies in *Eretz Yisrael*.

Additional Program Benefits:

Scholarships ranging from partial to full tuition

Yeshiva Honors notation upon graduation