



COMMUNITY EDUCATION

SUMMER 2021



DISCOVER OUR OFFERINGS

Not sure what program is right for you?
Start by asking yourself these questions...

NEW TO JEWISH LEARNING?

- Try an Open Circle Jewish Learning class
- Young adults: We offer Open Circle Jewish Learning 20s & 30s classes throughout the year
- Parents and Grandparents: Check out Parenting and Grandparenting Through a Jewish Lens

LOOKING FOR A DEEP, INTELLECTUAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE WITH YOUR PEERS?

Try our Me'ah Classic (100 hours) two-year course, taught by academics from throughout Greater Boston

LOOKING TO LEARN CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW?

Try our immersive Hebrew language Ulpan classes for adults or our Teen Hebrew Institute

LOOKING TO ENRICH YOUR JEWISH LEARNING?

- Study alongside other adult learners in a Me'ah Select semester-long class
- Try a graduate-level rabbinical, cantorial, or Jewish education non-credit course, where you'll study alongside Hebrew College ordination and graduate students

Asking yourself these questions may help too:

Which topics are you interested in?

How intense do you want your class to be?

How often do you want to have class?

Where do you want to have class?

LOOKING FOR JEWISH LEARNING FOR YOUR FAMILY AND/OR TEEN?

- Try Prozdor Teen Open Circles, Jewish Teen Foundation of Greater Boston, Teen Beit Midrash, or our Geshet Israel Seminar
- Try Parenting or Grandparenting Through a Jewish Lens.

Visit hebrewcollege.edu/jewish-journey to find the right program and courses to fit your learning style and schedule.

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Note: Courses listings are up to date as of June 1, 2021. Additional courses may be added. Please check the Hebrew College website at hebrewcollege.edu for course updates and changes.





MESSAGE FROM Dr. SUSIE TANCHEL

Vice President of Community Education, Hebrew College

Each and every time I read the *parsha* (the weekly Torah portion) I am amazed at its relevance to our lives, right in this moment. When I was younger my understanding of the Torah texts was deeply influenced by other's experience and knowledge; now my reading of these (and other Jewish texts) is informed by my life experience and knowledge and the current historical moment in which I find myself. Though the text remains the same, it's possible meanings and relevance to my life now are very different. I notice new aspects of the texts, I wonder about different moments, I ask new questions, and what trouble me and what gives me hope is different. The same text is yielding many new possibilities. This, for me, is part of the joy of discovery that comes from being a life-long learner.

One of our greatest Jewish leaders was a lifelong learner. Moshe, in his adulthood, was in the midst of his usual activities as a shepherd when he noticed a bush that was burning but was not being consumed. As a curious man, with an abiding desire to know more, he was compelled to investigate further. Moshe noticed this bush and was ready for this moment because he had been curious and thoughtful so frequently in his life prior to this point. (Exodus 2) Moses' decision to learn more about the bush created the requisite conditions for God to choose him to lead the People out of Egypt. While the impact in our lives might not be quite as transformative, the principle remains the same for each of us. Learning more opens the doors to new possibilities and adventures.

As Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel writes, "Our goal should be to live life in radical amazement [to] get up in the morning and look at the world in a way that takes nothing for granted. Everything is phenomenal; everything is incredible, never treat life casually." Perhaps living this way at every moment is not possible, and maybe not even advisable given the particular demands of any given day. But there is a stance of living, a mindset, that we can each embrace that allows for us to be open to new experiences and to have our hearts and minds ready for moments of learning. This is such a critical part of being alive.

As adult learners we have the generative opportunity to continue the joys of exploration and discovery that hopefully were a critical part of our formative years. Now is our chance to venture into areas we have long wanted to explore or to delve more deeply into subjects that passionately intrigue us. Under the guide of talented teachers, and in the company of other inspiring learners, we will learn more about our world, our community, and our ourselves. This learning offers us occasions to expand our minds, to open our hearts, and to feed our souls. Why should this joy be relegated solely to the young?

I invite you to join me on a journey of exploration and discovery at Hebrew College. My hope is that whether you are looking to tip a toe in the water of learning, or to dive right in, there is an appropriate class for you here at Hebrew College. Thank you for being an important part of our community of learners who deepen our conversations and enrich our lives. And thank you to CJP for making so many of these learning opportunities possible.

Hebrew College is a Boston-area institution of Jewish learning and leadership that offers community learning programs for all ages and stages within a pluralistic environment of open inquiry, depth, creativity, and compassion, as well as graduate programs in rabbinical, cantorial, education and Jewish studies. Hebrew College community education programs welcome students from all faiths, cultures, and experiences. Hebrew College is committed to accommodating students with accessibility needs. Please notify the director of the course program for more information.

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ADULT LEARNING

HEBREW LANGUAGE ULPAN

Hebrew College Ulpan is an immersion language program that teaches grammar, reading comprehension, and conversation skills. Ulpan brings Hebrew to life through discussions of contemporary political, social, and cultural topics, and readings drawn from current Israeli news and social commentary. Ulpan is offered through ten levels of study, including beginner, intermediate and advanced.

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/ulpan

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Iris Schor | ischor@hebrewcollege.edu

Instructors: Aliza Brosh, Maya Dalzell, Osnat Hazan, Shlomi Zan

Winter classes start the week of February 7. For placement, contact Iris Schor at ischor@hebrewcollege.edu. \$450 (levels 1-8); \$350 (levels 9-10). Financial aid is available.

Level 1A: Monday and Wednesday 9:30-11:00am, June 7-July 19, Instructor: Shlomi Zan; [Register](#)

Level 1A: Tuesday and Thursday 6:30-8:00pm, June 8-July 15, Instructor: TBD; [Register](#)

Level 1B: Tuesday and Thursday 11:30am-1:00pm, June 8-July 15, Instructor: Maya Dalzell; [Register](#)

Level 1B: Tuesday and Thursday 6:45-8:15pm, June 8-July 15, Instructor: Maya Dalzell; [Register](#)

Level 2A: Monday and Wednesday 5:00-6:30pm, June 7-July 19, Instructor: Maya Dalzell; [Register](#)

Level 2B: Sunday and Thursday, 6:30-8:00 p.m., June 6 - July 18, Instructor: Shlomi Zan; [Register](#)

Level 2B: Monday and Wednesday, 9:30-11:00 a.m., June 7-July 19, Instructor: Maya Dalzell; [Register](#)

Level 2C: Monday and Wednesday 6:30-8:00 p.m., June 7-July 19, Instructor: Shlomi Zan; [Register](#)

Level 3A: Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30-11:00 a.m., June 8-July 15, Instructor: Osnat Hazan; [Register](#)

Level 4A: Wednesday and Friday, 9:30-11:00 a.m., June 8 -July 16, Instructor: Osnat Hazan; [Register](#)

Level 4B: Monday and Wednesday 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., June 7-July 19, Instructor: Maya Dalzell; [Register](#)

Level 6: Tuesday and Thursday 5:00-6:30pm, June 8-July 15, Instructor: Maya Dalzell; [Register](#)

Level 8: Monday and Wednesday, 6:45-8:15pm, June 7-July 19, Instructor: TBD; [Register](#)

Level 9: Monday and Friday, 8:30-9:30 a.m., June 7-July 19, Instructor Aliza Brosh; [Register](#)

Level 10: Wednesday and Friday 10:00-11:00am, June 2-July 9, Instructor Aliza Brosh; [Register](#)

ME'AH



Journey through Jewish texts and ideas from biblical times to the present through Hebrew College's two-year Me'ah Classic program or dive into a particular historic period, time, or personality through Hebrew College's one-semester Me'ah Select classes.

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/programs/meah

Registration: hebrewcollege.edu/programs/meah-select

Contact: Marilyn Stern | meah@hebrewcollege.edu

Taste of Hebrew College Me'ah Event

Enjoy a sample lesson with one of our stellar instructors, Rabbi Neal Gold.

Wednesday, June 16, 7 p.m. EDT

[Register](#)

ME'AH CLASSIC

With 100 (*me'ah* in Hebrew) hours of coursework over two years, Me'ah Classic is a comprehensive, engaging, and in-depth adult learning experience that takes students on a journey through the narrative of the Jewish people and empowers students to become part of the conversation.

Readings, text study, lectures and discussions focus on core texts from biblical, rabbinic, medieval, and modern times. Students receive a certificate during a graduation ceremony at the end of their second year. Classes start each fall. Visit our website for additional information:

hebrewcollege.edu/programs/meah

ME'AH SELECT

Me'ah Select is a one semester in-depth exploration of a specific theme, text, personality, or slice of Jewish history, taught by outstanding faculty members. Financial aid is available for all classes.

WHERE THE BIBLE HAPPENED

Instructor: Rabbi Neal Gold

Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m. EDT, June 15, 22, 29; June 6, 13 (5 sessions)

\$165 | Class is full

A discovery of the important places in the Torah reveals some amazing narratives that connect times and people. If you love maps and geography, you will get a big kick out of this course; even if you don't, you'll rediscover Biblical sagas in ways you haven't seen them before. Place-names—Shechem, Beit-El, Megiddo, Hazor, Timna, and many more—become a “golden thread” that links the narratives of the Bible. We'll explore the mythic resonance of the Land of Israel and its neighbors, revealed through its geography, flora and fauna, and the people who made it home.

JEWISH STORYTELLING FROM REBBE NACHMEN TO THE COEN BROTHERS

Instructors: Rabbi Leonard Gordon

Mondays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. EDT, June 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19 (5 sessions)

\$165 | [Register](#)

The Hasidic revolution involved a return from Judaism's longtime focus on law (Halacha) to the Jewish narrative (Aggadic) tradition. Hasidic stories range from fairy tales about lost princesses to stories of wonder-working rabbis. How did the medium impact the message? Why stories? How does this tradition continue in new forms today? Our class will conclude with the Coen brother's film, "A Serious Man." (2009).

TRADITION ON THE SCREEN II: CHALLENGES AND JOYS OF TRADITIONAL JEWISH LIFE IN FILM

Instructor: Dr. Jacon Meskin

Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m. EDT, June 23, 30; July 7, 14, 21 (5 sessions)

\$165 | [Register](#)

Designed as a free-standing companion course to Tradition On The Screen I (each may be taken separately), this course screens films that explore the profound personal experiences, and struggles, of those living traditional Jewish lives today. Using the films and readings this course tries to articulate – from the “inside” – the thoughts and feelings of traditional Jews as they face both wrenching dilemmas, and truly joyous moments. Some of the topics taken up in the films include spirituality and faith, the experiences of women, the challenges faced by gays and lesbians, dealing with other religions, and the struggle to believe in God after the Holocaust. Students will screen the films on their own before class; important clips will be shown in class. Carefully chosen academic readings, and short stories will be provided each week, both for background on that week's film, and to enhance the experience of viewing it.

SILENCE IS GOLDEN, WORDS ARE PRECIOUS, TALK IS CHEAP, BUT IS SPEECH FREE? SILENCE AND STATEMENT IN JEWISH LAW AND THOUGHT

Instructor: Rabbi Benjamin Samuels

Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m. EDT, June 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15 (5 sessions)

\$165 | [Register](#)

Should we construe someone's silence as assent, consent, or protest? In what ways does context matter? How do we interpret silence and statement in spiritual practice, interpersonal relationships, human experience like suffering, and business?

Over five-sessions, we will explore the theme of silence and statement in Jewish thought, ethics and law. We will examine the Biblical Cases of Abraham at the Akeida, Aaron the Kohen/Priest when his sons perish, Hannah while praying for fertility, and Job in the face of loss and pain. We will interrogate whether silence is assent, consent, or protest in the Talmud and Midrash, and contrast silence with performative speech in ritual practice, such as blessings, and speech as a legal act, such as a promise or testimony. Our studies will be enhanced by the philosophies of language, law, and science, as well as modern Hebrew literature (in translation).

OPEN CIRCLE JEWISH LEARNING



In Hebrew College's Open Circle Jewish Learning discussion groups, you can ask big questions, explore relevant topics, and find meaning in Jewish sources of wisdom. Delve into Jewish texts, learn and make a difference through a social justice community group, or participate in a conversation group focused on mysticism and mindfulness.

Subcategories below include 20s and 30s, Social Action, Arts and Culture, Mindfulness, and Texts and Traditions. Generous Financial scholarships are available.

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/OCJL

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Linna Ettinger | lettinger@hebrewcollege.edu

OPEN CIRCLE JEWISH LEARNING: 20S & 30S

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/OCJL

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Ahava Rosenthal | rosenthal@hebrewcollege.edu

SABORES DE SEPHARAD: EXPLORING THE SEPHARDIC JEWISH COMMUNITY THROUGH ITS KITCHEN

Instructor: Sara Gardner

Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m. EDT, June 9, 16, 23, 30 (4 sessions)

\$60 | [Register](#)

This summer, leave your workday behind and join culinary historian Sara Gardner on a trip to Spain! Learn about the modern Spanish Jewish community as well as sample some delicious, summer-friendly dishes! From clever twists on gazpacho to Jewish tapas, we'll live like the Spaniards do and probar y picar (taste and nibble) through each session.

MYSTICAL CONNECTIONS: KABBALISTIC TEACHINGS ON INTIMACY AND RELATIONSHIPS (6 SESSIONS)

Instructor: Rabbi Getzel Davis ם13

Thursdays, 8-9:30 p.m. EDT, June 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15 (6 sessions)

\$90 | [Register](#)

Join Rabbi Getzel for a 6-class series on the spirituality of encountering one's beloved. We will explore kabbalistic and rabbinic wisdom on the nature of relationship, sex, intimacy and gender. Over the series we will explore teachings from the Zohar, Rabbi Isaac Luria, Rebbe Nachman of Breslov, Martin Buber, Jacques Derrida, Rabbi Menachem Froman, and Bell Hooks. Queer, interfaith, couples, and single folks all welcome!

OPEN CIRCLE JEWISH LEARNING: MINDFULNESS

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/OCJL

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Linna Ettinger | lettinger@hebrewcollege.edu

BEING A BETTER PERSON: A CLOSE READING WITH MARTIN BUBER

Instructor: Rabbi Eric Gurvis

Wednesdays, 7:15-8:45 p.m. EDT, June 16, 23, 30; July 21, 28; August 4 (6 sessions)

\$162 | [Register](#)

One of Martin Buber's greatest gifts to the corpus of Jewish learning was his short, yet profound book, The Way of Man, According to the Teachings of Hasidism. In six compact chapters, and through the lens of Hasidic tales, Buber helps us focus on some of the most important questions we ever ask ourselves: What is in my heart? What is my path in life? What is my purpose? Where am I? and How do I orient my journey? How do I get over myself? Where do I begin? The class will include a brief overview of early Hasidism and how the movement came into being, and its evolution as one of a number of developments at that point in Jewish history. Our main focus will be on how Buber's treatment of these tales becomes a part of our own stories and journeys as we make our way through these challenging times in our lives.

OPEN CIRCLE JEWISH LEARNING: TEXTS AND TRADITIONS

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/OCJL

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Linna Ettinger | lettinger@hebrewcollege.edu

EXPLORING TALMUD THROUGH THE DAILY DAF YOMI

Instructor: Layah Lipsker

Mondays and Thursdays, 9-9:45 a.m. EDT, May 10, 13, 20, 24, 27; June 3, 7, 10, 14, 17
(Ten 45 minute sessions)

\$135 | [Register](#)

This is your opportunity to join Jews around the world in the daily study of Talmud. Layah will lead a 45-minute study two times each week to discuss themes in the daily Daf (page or folio) and its relevance for the modern Jew. This is a beginners Talmud class and is entirely in English.

EXPLORING TALMUD THROUGH THE DAILY DAF YOMI: SESSION II

Instructor: Layah Lipsker

Mondays and Thursdays, 9-9:45 a.m. EDT, June 21, 24, 28; July 1, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29
(Eleven 45 minute sessions)

\$148 | [Register](#)

This is your opportunity to join Jews around the world in the daily study of Talmud. Layah will lead a 45-minute study two times each week to discuss themes in the daily Daf (page or folio) and its relevance for the modern Jew. This is a beginners Talmud class and is entirely in English.

ELUL AND THE HIGH HOLIDAYS: RETHINK, RENEW, REJOICE

Instructor: Rabbi Getzel Davis ם13

Thursdays, 8-9:30 p.m. EDT, August 12, 19, 26; September 2 (4 sessions)

\$75 | [Register](#)

Dive into a textual and experiential exploration of teshuva and renewal during the month of Elul with Rabbi Getzel Davis as we prepare for the Days of Awe. The core texts we will study together will be those of the Zohar, Rebbe Nachman of Breslov, Rav Kook, and the stories of class participants. No prior knowledge of Hebrew language or Jewish mysticism is necessary, simply an open mind and heart.

PARENTING & GRANDPARENTING THROUGH A JEWISH LENS



Join other parents in community and conversation on topics that matter to you as a parent. Explore Jewish values and teachings that can enrich your family and help parents navigate this uncharted parenting territory. Reflect on the joys and challenges of raising kids, especially during these challenging times. Find support, encouragement, and connection. Parenting Through a Jewish Lens welcomes the participation of parents from all faiths, cultures, families, and experiences. Financial aid is available.

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/parenting

Registration: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Ahava Rosenthal | arosenthal@hebrewcollege.edu

GRANDPARENTING THROUGH A JEWISH LENS

Instructor: Leann Shamash

Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m. EDT, June 9, 16, 23, 30; July 14 (5 sessions)

\$80 | [Register](#)

Grandparenting can be a rewarding and challenging experience in the best of times. But this past year, being an active grandparent has been especially fraught. As we begin to emerge but are not yet freed from COVID-19, and as we contemplate a “return to normal,” explore how Jewish wisdom can help us navigate our roles in our children’s and grandchildren’s lives. We will also examine our personal grandparenting journeys: what came before us, and what we will leave behind. Topics include: Navigating our Differences, Our Grandparents, Ourselves, and Transmitting our Values.

FATHER, ABBA, TATTI CIRCLE

Instructor: Rabbi Getzel Davis ם13

Sundays, 8-9:30 p.m. EDT, July 11; August 12; September 8; October 10; November 14; December 12 (6 sessions)

\$80 | [Register](#)

Join fathers from around the country for a Jewish, feminist, and anti-racist, exploration of what it means to raise young children in America today. Through a combination of reflection on modern and ancient Jewish wisdom, self-reflection, and good amount of group process, fathers will explore together questions of identity and spirituality. Enthusiastically open to all regardless of Jewish education, Hebrew background, interfaith status, or queer identity.

TEEN LEARNING

PROZDOR TEEN OPEN CIRCLES (PTOC) AT HEBREW COLLEGE (8TH-12TH GRADES)

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/prozdor

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/prozdor

Contact: Rabbi Laura Bellows | lbellows@hebrewcollege.edu

Multi-disciplinary learning and vibrant community for Jewish teens of all backgrounds and interests, including courses in history, social justice, sports, halacha, arts, Israel, Tanakh, and more. New courses to choose from each trimester (take one course or all).

Weekly on Sundays in-person at Hebrew College, 10:00am-12:30pm (one-to-three-hour options); each course runs for 7-9 weeks. Full year program tuition is \$2800 or \$350 per individual class. Tuition assistance available.

PROZDOR TEEN OPEN CIRCLES (PTOC) IN YOUR COMMUNITY (8TH-12TH GRADES)

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/prozdor

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/prozdor

Contact: Rabbi Laura Bellows | lbellows@hebrewcollege.edu

For the first time ever, Prozdor learning is coming to you! Gather with 7-15 friends from your camp, synagogue, youth group, or day school days and choose from a menu of five-to-nine-week interactive classes at a time that works for you. We'll match you up with an excellent Hebrew College teen educator and everything you need to have a great time learning together. Evening and weekend weekly options starting in October. To inquire about bringing an in-person or online PTOC class to your community or friends, contact Rabbi Laura.

TEEN HEBREW INSTITUTE (8TH-12TH GRADES)

Pre-register and more information: email Rabbi Laura Bellows, lbellows@hebrewcollege.edu

Modern Hebrew for teens with academic study options (non-credit transcripts for college available) as well as fun, social Hebrew immersion with friends. Experienced and engaging native-speaker Hebrew instructors for students at levels novice through advanced. THI meets weekly on Sundays from September through early May, 10:30am-12:30pm, fall only and full-year options. Full year tuition is \$1900; tuition assistance is available.

TEEN BEIT MIDRASH (8TH-12TH GRADES)

Program information: hebrewcollege.edu/programs/teen-beit-midrash/

Register: hebrewcollege.edu/learn

Contact: Rabba Claudia Marbach | cmarbach@hebrewcollege.edu

Hebrew College Teen Beit Midrash (TBM) is an intimate and challenging program for teens in eighth through twelfth grades of all denominations who are looking for a pluralistic and inclusive place to explore their identity as a Jews and deepen their knowledge. Founded by Hebrew College alumna Rabbi Shahar Colt, the program brings together a dedicated and diverse group of Jewish teens who are excited to delve into traditional Talmudic text and find contemporary meaning relevant to our lives. We open the library of our Jewish heritage to help teens understand our multi-voiced, nuanced tradition and gain the skills to reach their own conclusions. Talmud study enables us to hone our reasoning and persuasive argument skills that are applicable to all aspects of our lives. Together, we study, share dinner together, build community and learn and have fun. Together, we study, share dinner (when in person), build community, learn seriously, and have fun. Tuition for the year is \$2450; tuition assistance is available.

MAHLOKET MATTERS: NAVIGATING SOCIETAL DISCORD THROUGH JEWISH TEXTS

July 19-22 and 26-29, 1-3 p.m. EDT

[Register](#)

How do we talk to others when we don't agree? Join us for a Teen Beit Midrash of Hebrew College Summer Intensive, open to teens in 8th through 12th grade. [View flyer.](#)

GESHER ISRAEL SEMINAR (10TH-12TH GRADES)

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/teens

Pre-register and more information: email Rabbi Laura Bellows, lbellows@hebrewcollege.edu

Gesher Israel connects Boston-area teens with students at our sibling school in Haifa, building a dynamic and brave space to learn about each other's lives and discuss Israeli culture, politics, history, innovation, and current events. This seminar will be capped at 15 students and will meet 5-6 times throughout the year, in-person and online, including a Hebrew College Gesher Israel teen trip to Israel in the spring of 2022 to learn, explore Israel, and connect with our friends in Haifa. Meets for 1.5 hour seminar learning and discussion six times throughout the year with a subsidized Israel trip, if safe to do so, during Spring 2022. Full year tuition including Israel trip is \$1300.

JEWISH TEEN FOUNDATION OF GREATER BOSTON (JTfGB) (9TH-12TH GRADES)

Program information: hebrewcollege.edu/jtfgb

Apply: hebrewcollege.edu/jtfgb

Contact: Leah Goldstein | lgoldstein@hebrewcollege.edu

A year-long fellowship for pluralistic Jewish high school students from across the greater Boston area. Teens develop strong leadership and communication skills, learn the ins and outs of professional philanthropy and grant-making through a Jewish lens, and allocate grants to effect real change in the causes about which they care most. During the first six years of the program, teens raised nearly \$300,000 and awarded 50 grants to organizations that fight issues such as child abuse, support education access, mental health issues, environmental justice, and poverty, among several causes. Meets monthly on Sundays, October-May with in-person and online options. Tuition for the year is \$500; tuition assistance available.

GRADUATE LEADERSHIP CLASSES

Community members may register for non-credit rabbinical, cantorial, and graduate education classes. For more information or to register, contact registrar@hebrewcollege.edu.

ENCOUNTERING NEURODIVERSITY

Instructor: Rachel Figurasmith

Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m. EDT, plus asynchronous work, June 14-August 20

\$1,110 | [Register](#)

This course explores the field of Jewish special education through the lens of neurodiversity. By understanding both the strengths and challenges of learners with special needs, educators can more effectively and appropriately design Jewish educational experiences that meet various learners' unique needs. The course will address both the neurobiological underpinnings of disabilities ranging from learning challenges to psychological disorders and pervasive developmental disorders, as well as particular Jewish communal responses to address them. This is an asynchronous class with a weekly live meeting. You are strongly encouraged to attend the weekly meeting though it will be recorded for later viewing. Core work will be conducted in Schoology.

TEACHING TANAKH

Instructor: Hillel Greene

Asynchronous, June 14-August 20

\$1,110 | [Register](#)

This course fulfills a pedagogic application requirement. The Tanakh is the story of our people, the source of our traditions, and perhaps the most influential book ever written. In this course we will explore the content, context, structure and genres of the Tanakh, in order to bring the text to life for ourselves, and to help us to bring the text to life for our students. The course will provide students with the content knowledge, philosophical orientations and pedagogical tools they need to become sophisticated and compelling teachers of Tanakh.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Hebrew College is launching a new professional development program for the next school year 2021-2022. This program expresses a deep commitment to reflective practice and is committed to sustained growth over time. We aim to serve supplementary schools in the greater Boston area through a number of different programs including monthly seminars, stand-alone workshops on a variety of topics, one-on-one coaching, and programs on project based learning and instructional leadership. These offerings meet the needs of the community and build on the success of many years of community professional development offerings from Hebrew College. The programs are designed for educational leaders and their staff to deepen their knowledge and to develop skills in order to provide excellent education to their students and is flexible enough to have multiple entry points. Goals of this professional development model include creating a long-term effect on teaching and learning within the school, and to transform the school culture regarding student learning, teacher cooperation, and professional growth.

Program Information: hebrewcollege.edu/pd

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INFORMATION SESSION

June 22 - 10 a.m. EDT

Free

Learn about our upcoming Professional Development Offerings for 2021-22. Hebrew College offered several sessions for Congregational Schools during the pandemic and is excited to expand our offerings during the 2021-2022 academic year. Sessions are designed for educational leaders and their staff to participate and deepen their knowledge in order to provide excellent education to their students. Sessions will include options for large group work, small group work, individual work, direct consulting and more.

HEBREW COLLEGE OFFERS JEWISH LEARNING FOR EVERY AGE AND STAGE

Our community programs for teens and adults include:

PROZDOR TEEN OPEN CIRCLES (middle and high school)

TEEN HEBREW INSTITUTE (middle and high school)

JEWISH TEEN FOUNDATION OF GREATER BOSTON (high school)

GESHER ISRAEL (high school)

TEEN BEIT MIDRASH (middle and high school)

YOUNG ADULT LEARNING: OPEN CIRCLE JEWISH LEARNING (20s and 30s)

PARENTING THROUGH A JEWISH LENS (For parents of young children, tweens, teens, and grandparents)

OPEN CIRCLE JEWISH LEARNING (Discussion-based learning and social action programs)

ME'AH CLASSIC (100 hours of Jewish learning at the college level)

ME'AH SELECT (Semester-long learning at the college level)

RABBINICAL, CANTORIAL, AND GRADUATE EDUCATION COURSES (Select courses are open to the community on a non-credit basis)

HEBREW LANGUAGE ULPAN (Intensive Hebrew language courses)

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