

The "Meir Harel" Hesder Yeshiva MODIIN



VERSEAS PROGRAM Inspiring Leadership

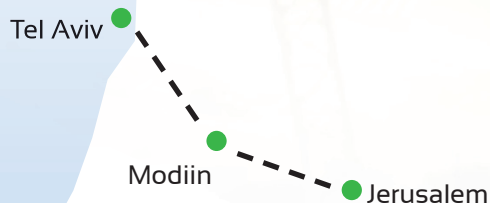


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ABOUT THE **YESHIVA**

Yeshivat Modiin was established in 2005 and is part of the Hesder Yeshiva world devoted to both traditional Torah values, national and community service. The Yeshiva is situated in the city of Modiin. The Yeshiva educates its students to follow in the path of Harav Kook זצ"ל, to love the Torah, with a diligent devotion to deep Torah learning, Jewish Leadership, and love of the land and the nation.

Ever since the establishment of the State of Israel, the country leaders dreamed of reviving the ancient town of Modiin - a symbol of Hasmonean heroism and of the conservation of Jewish and national identity of the People of Israel. The establishment of the city in the 1990's was the ancient Jewish dream coming true, signalling the vibrant Israeli revival. Modiin is situated in the heart of Israel. Only 25 minutes drive from Jerusalem and likewise from Tel-Aviv. Modiin is a fast developing city; thousands of families join the 'city of the future' each year. Modiin has a very high percentage of Olim and is very busy and successful at absorbing aliyah. One of the aims of the Yeshivah is to lay down the spiritual foundations to the city and to be involved in all aspects of Israeli society.



Tel Aviv

Modiin

Jerusalem

The map shows the outline of Israel with a dashed line connecting three green dots. The dots are labeled 'Tel Aviv' on the coast, 'Modiin' in the center, and 'Jerusalem' in the south. The Mediterranean Sea is to the west and the Dead Sea is to the east.

Modiin - Just **25 minutes**
from Jerusalem and Tel Aviv





THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS PROGRAM

The program is **intensive and inspiring**. It offers a unique approach to learning and students are encouraged to ask questions. Many shiurim are given throughout the day, with a wide variety of subjects on offer. The Morning Seder is devoted to in depth Gemara study. During afternoon Seder the students learn Gemara Bekiut and the daily program continues with shiurim on an extensive list of topics that includes: Torah (*Iyun* and *Bekiut*), Nach (*Iyun* and *Bekiut*), Machshevet Yisrael, Halacha etc. An integral part of the daily schedule is the chevruta with Israeli students. This further enhances their Hebrew language skills, is a magnificent learning experience and brings them into contact with the cream of orthodox Israeli youth.

Much of the learning in the yeshiva is done in small groups, giving personal attention to each student. The staff build a close and personal relationship with each student and help direct them in their own path. This helps each individual feel comfortable and develop his own personality.

BUILDING A TORAH PERSONALITY

The study of Torah is the *raison d'être* of every Yeshiva that has ever existed and our Yeshiva is no different. However, Yeshiva Meir Harel seeks to reach beyond the typical, beyond the average and beyond the expected in Torah study. The Yeshiva aims to create students who approach the study of Torah with enthusiasm and eagerness because they have a grasp of its fundamentals. The Yeshiva aims to bring its students to a level where learning is performed "Lishma" because they have been equipped with sufficient Torah knowledge to allow them to see its beauty and its majesty. The Yeshiva also seeks to provide its students with the essential tools necessary to recall learned material, not just for the present, but for living a Torah life in adulthood.





THE INSPIRING LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

In our Yeshiva we believe that training **Jewish Leadership** is part of a Torah life and an essential need of this generation. We also believe that leadership is built through actions. Therefore we have developed a program that does not simply inspire leadership but also equips our students with the skills required to be a great leader. We believe that building the personality of a Torah leader includes: | Learning about inspirational leadership | Learning special skills required for successful group leading | Making a connection with the community, volunteering and performing Chessed projects | Current events and Israel advocating training



CURRENT EVENTS PROGRAM

Our Students will also be exposed to a current events program where they will receive: | **Israel advocating training** | **Debate training** | **Meetings with Israeli political and military leaders** – our students will have the opportunity to meet important and influential members of Israeli society | **“Panim el Panim”** (face to face) - Meetings with local community members and leaders.

DEVELOPING HEBREW SKILLS

We recognize that the knowledge of Hebrew is an essential tool that facilitates progress in Torah studies. As part of the curriculum, students learn the language in our Ulpan program. Hebrew is the language of our scriptures and the language of our people. Hence we strongly believe that a graduate of our programme should develop his fluency in Hebrew. The immersion in an Israeli environment and the ulpan helps to achieve this goal.

VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY

The Yeshiva sees integration into the Modiin Community and participation in the city’s communal life as one of its most important responsibilities. The students and Rabbis regularly volunteer in the community. Once a week as part of the schedule we will be doing volunteer work. This is an integral component of the program because a Torah scholar must be connected with the people rather than be isolated in an ivory tower.





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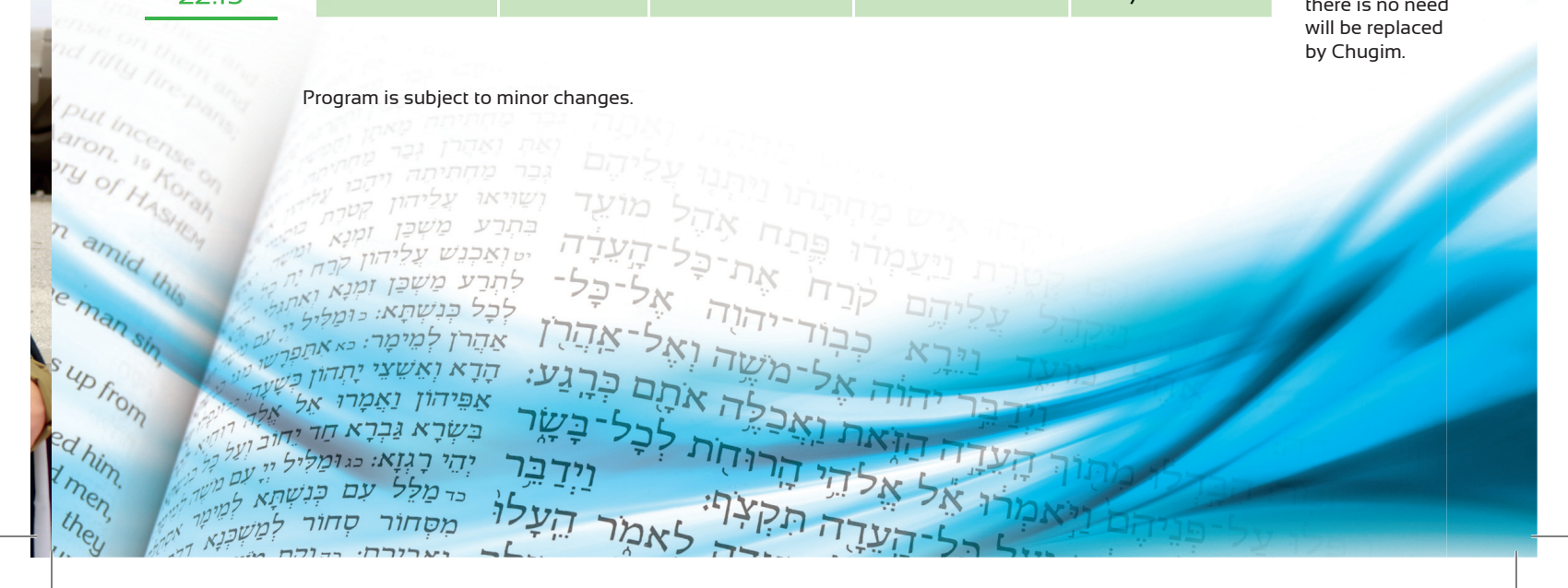
Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |

07:00	Shachrit, Seder Halacha and Breakfast				
08:45	Shiur Machshava			Ulpan*	
09:30	Seder Iyun				Leadership Activity
12:15	Shiur Iyun				
13:15	Mincha and Lunch				
	Break		Volunteering	Break	
15:30	Chug Torat Eretz Yisrael	Ulpan*	Chug Torat Eretz Yisrael	Ulpan*	Chug Torat Eretz Yisrael
16:15	Seder Bekiut		Seder Halacha	Seder Bekiut	
17:45	Sikum Bekiut			Sikum Bekiut	
18:00	Halacha [R Lau]	Tanach	Midrash	Halacha Iyun	Parsha
19:00	Seder Personality Building				Sicha [Rosh Yeshiva]
19:30	Dinner and Maariv				
20:30	Seder Machshava		Leadership Skills	Seder Machshava	Guest speakers
22:15	Kuzari	Maharal	Tanach	R Kook	Sfat Emet

Shabbat Shalom!

* Ulpan will be by level and based on need, after there is no need will be replaced by Chugim.

Program is subject to minor changes.





EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The students enjoy very rich and meaningful extra curricular activities.

TIYULIM

The program offers a monthly half day trip with an educational orientation in the footsteps of the Tanach. We will visit the site of the battle of David and Goliath, the Burma Road, Latrun, Maccabean sites and more...

During the *Ben haZmanim* periods there will be tiyulim to Eilat and to the Golan with attractions.

SHABBATONIM

Every month there will be a Shabbaton in various communities around the country. We will visit Tzfat, Ma'alot, the Golan, Jerusalem and more... In addition there will be Shabbatot Chaver when the overseas boys will be hosted by the Israeli boys, and community Shabbatonim in Modiin.

The program includes an induction week in the IDF.

EVENTS FOR THE FAMILY

A Family day out - If your family is visiting you during your time in Israel then once a year your family are entitled to a Fun day out courtesy of the Yeshiva. We will take you on a day tiyul.

Family day in Yeshiva - During the winter there is an open day in Yeshiva. We would love to host your family for a day.

HOST FAMILIES

In order to deepen the involvement in the community each student is "adopted" by a local English speaking family. This will ease the time spent in Israel. The student will be hosted by the families and can visit them in their free time.

ACCOMMODATION/FACILITIES

Students are accommodated in new air-conditioned apartments, each equipped with a kitchenette (refrigerator & microwave). The campus and the apartments have a wireless internet connection. Laundry facilities are provided. The Yeshiva provides three meals a day on the campus.



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RAV ELIEZER CHAIM SHENVALD Rosh Hayeshiva



Rav Shenvald studied for many years in the Mercaz Harav Yeshiva and afterwards taught at several educational institutions, including fifteen years as a senior Ram in the Golan Hesder Yeshiva. He is recognized as one of the leaders of the Religious Zionist and Modern Orthodox movement. Rav Shenvald is a member of the Bnei Akiva of Israel Board. He is a Colonel in the Armored Corps and served as a commander in both Lebanon wars.

RAV YEHOShUA WEITZMAN Chairman of the Yeshiva



Rav Yehoshua Weitzman studied at Kerem B'Yavneh, Yeshivat Mercaz HaRav and Machon Harry Fischel. He then served as a Ram and mashgiach at Yeshivat Kfar Ha'Roeh and later as Rosh Kollel in Yeshivat HaGolan, Hispin. In 1989 he was appointed Rosh Yeshiva in Maalot. Rav Weitzman is considered the reviver of learning and teaching Torat Eretz Yisrael, the uniqueness of Torah, which is revealed only in the Land of Israel. Rav Weitzman is also the founder of Nachalat Shay, association for teaching Judaism and El-Ami Batzafon, a movement for outreach and Face to Face, a movement for unity of Jews.

RAV DAVID LAU Chief Rabbi of Israel



Rabbi David Lau, the son of former Chief Rabbi Israel Meir Lau shlita, served as a Community Rabbi in Jerusalem and as the Chief Rabbi of the town of Shoham. Rabbi Lau has been the Chief Rabbi of Modiin since the city's establishment. He has published many articles in the fields of Jewish law and philosophy and regularly lectures on these topics in a diversity of settings, including on a weekly television show and in the Hadassah Hospital Medical School in Jerusalem. Rabbi Lau serves as a major in the IDF Intelligence Division.

RAV AMIT ROTEM Overseas Program Coordinator



Rav Amit Rotem was born and raised in Jerusalem. Served in the intelligence army and learned for Rabanut in Yeshivat Hesder Shiloh. He is teaching and educating in several Yeshivot and high-schools for 20 years, and was a Shaliach in Toronto for 4 years. Now Rav Rotem is coordinating the Overseas program and he's the contact person for students who want to apply for Yeshivat Meir Harel.

ZVI ZELTZER Director of the Yeshiva



Zvi grew up in Gush Etzion and studied at the Hesder Yeshiva in Maalot. He has a degree in Business Administration from Touro College. He is a member of the Garin Torani in Lod. For the last decade he served as the executive director of Ma'agalim.

THE ASSOCIATE FACULTY

Rav Aharon Adler



Rav of Ohel Nechama Community in Katamon, president of Yeshivat Bnei

Akiva in Chashmonaiim and head of the Tora SheBealpe department at the Lifshitz College

Rav Avi Berman



Executive director of OU Israel

Rav David Fine



Rav of Modiin's *Matnas* and teaches at Kehillat Shaarei Yonah Menachem

Rav Warren Kaye



Rav of Shivtei Yisrael school, Modiin

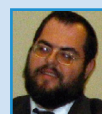
Nissan Ratzlav-Katz



is an intelligence researcher and analyst, a well-published columnist, and a specialist

lecturer on Middle Eastern affairs. As an experienced writer, he is also a valued resource for many Israeli organizations and corporations.

Rav Shlomo Sobol



Rav of Kehillat Shaarei Yonah Menachem, Modiin, Torah MiTzion rabbinical supporter.

Rav Gideon Weizman



Rav of Kehillat Mercas Modiin, Director of the PUAH institute.



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