

Jewish Higher Education in Israel A Gratz College Leadership Israel Tour

led by **Rabbi Lance Sussman** Ph.D.

and **Dr. Paul Finkelman**

November 10 - 20, 2019

"One does not travel to Jerusalem, one returns."



Tour Package Includes:

- Hotels: Herbert Samuel Jerusalem, Carlton Hotel, Tel Aviv
- All Breakfasts, Shabbat Dinner and Shabbat Lunch, 3 Weekday dinners and 3 lunches as per itinerary
- Touring with Rabbi Lance Sussman and one of Israel's Top Tour Guide educators in a WiFi enabled deluxe touring Motor Coach

A Few Tour Highlights: Special visits/meetings subject to availability

- The Case of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem guided tour and panel
- Bezalel Academy of Art and Design on Mt. Scopus
- Private tour of Jerusalem Tunnels with Dr. Avi Solomon
- Department of Islamic and Middle East Studies' diverse academic activity.
- Conservative Yeshiva – Where does it fit between academia and traditional yeshiva learning
- Guided tour Yad Vashem, Herzl Center, Pardes Institute, Hartman Institute.
- Update on Israeli politics by Steve Linde, editor-in-chief of the Jerusalem Report.
- Guided tour of Yad Vashem Campus focusing on Holocaust art and Yad Vashem Archives
- Meeting with Dr. David Golinkin, President of the Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies
- Pardes Institute – Meeting with faculty and students
- Hear about the Colloquial Arabic Program for Israelis at the Jerusalem Intercultural Center
- Visit Bar Ilan University, an Orthodox Jewish university committed to critical scholarship
- Meet faculty at Koret International School for Jewish People Studies at Beit Hatfutzot
- Tour of the Hecht Museum at Haifa University see the Maagan Michael Shipwreck, the well preserved wreck of a 2,400 year old merchant vessel
- Friday night services/Kabbalat Shabbat

View and download itinerary
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Reduction for 3rd in a room – \$250

Added to the costs above are tips for Guide, Driver, Restaurants, and Portage – \$190

Tour price is based on minimum of 10 to 14 participants.

Round trip air available through ITC Tours call Yafa at 800-247-7235

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Sunday, November 10 – Depart USA (from Philadelphia)

Monday, 11 November – Going up into the Land - Arrive in Israel to be met and assisted by your ITC representative.

Transfer to Jerusalem: Check-in to the Herbert Samuel Hotel in downtown Jerusalem.

Welcome dinner at hotel. Lecture: Higher Education and the Zionist Enterprise: The Case of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem (possible lecturers: Prof. Matthew Silver or Dr. Asaf Seltzer). Overnight: Herbert Samuel Hotel, Jerusalem

Tuesday, 12 November – The Hebrew University: The New Temple?

Guided tour of the exhibit on the founding of the Hebrew University. Panel on Jewish Higher Education:

The Faculty of Jewish Studies at the Hebrew University – Not just one major! Meeting with representative of the Melton Center for Jewish Education. Lunch at Beit Meyersdorf on Mt. Scopus Campus. Discover the archaeological story of the Western Wall and episodes of Jewish life in Jerusalem 2,000 years ago at Robinson's Arch and the Southern Wall Excavations. Hear about a new discovery at this site that's connected to the Chanukah story. Dinner at Picollino Restaurant in Nachalat Shiva in downtown Jerusalem. Update on Israeli politics by Steve Linde, editor-in-chief of the Jerusalem Report. Overnight: Herbert Samuel Hotel, Jerusalem

Wednesday, 13 November – Holocaust Education and Zionist Education: Visit and meeting with staff at Yad Vashem's International School for Holocaust Studies. Guided tour of Yad Vashem Campus focusing on Holocaust art. This track will examine both art created to memorialize different aspects of the Holocaust and art produced during the Holocaust by its victims, including visits to the Museum of Holocaust Art, the Yad Vashem Synagogue and viewing sculpture installed at Yad Vashem. Special visit to the Yad Vashem Archives (ordinarily closed to the public). Lunch in Yad Vashem Cafeteria. Visit to the Academy of the Hebrew Language on Hebrew University's Givat Ram Campus – History, Mission, Relevance. Meeting with Dr. David Golinkin, President of the Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies, which runs Israel's largest MA program in Jewish Studies and tour of its Jerusalem campus. Free evening. Dinner on own. Overnight: Herbert Samuel Hotel, Jerusalem

Thursday, 14 November – Torah for Its Own Sake - Pardes Institute – Meeting with faculty and students to hear about its programs for adult co-ed classical Jewish learning and training Jewish educators. The Shalom Hartman Institute – Meeting with faculty member to hear about its programs in Jewish studies for rabbis and Jewish leaders. Lunch on own. Tour of Hebrew Union College, followed by talk with an HUC faculty member. Group debrief and discussion on what we've learned together. Dinner on your own. Overnight: Herbert Samuel Hotel, Jerusalem

Friday, 15 November – Neighborhoods and Communities - Tour of the Rehavia neighborhood led by specialist guide Miriam Safira Simon. The historic home of Jerusalem's intellectual and political elite, the poet Nathan Alterman described Rehavia as a place of "heretical yeshivas, where architects chat between balconies and doctors live next to doctors". Lunch on own. Speaker on Jewish-Christian relations from the Jerusalem Center for Jewish Christian Relations. Free time to prepare for Shabbat. Friday night services/Kabbalat Shabbat – To be determined with Rabbi Sussman. Festive Shabbat dinner at hotel. Lecture by Rabbi Sussman (at hotel;). Overnight: Herbert Samuel Hotel, Jerusalem

Saturday, 16 November – And on the Seventh Day...in Jerusalem - Optional Shabbat morning services at the synagogue of your choice (Recommendations and directions will be provided). OR: Morning at leisure. Traditional Shabbat Lunch at hotel. Shabbat afternoon options: Walking tour to the historic Montefiore Windmill to discover the first neighbourhood built outside the walls of the Old City. AND/OR: Walking tour to First Temple period burial site at Ketef Hinnom – Where archaeologists discovered the oldest biblical text ever found. Havdalah with Rabbi Sussman in a private room. Dinner on own. Overnight: Herbert Samuel Hotel, Jerusalem

Sunday, 17 November – Israeli Diversity: Many Faces of the Jewish People - Visit Bar Ilan University, an Orthodox Jewish university committed to critical scholarship and academic excellence to hear about its approach to Jewish studies and how its Orthodox identity influences its institutional culture. Hear about Yiddish studies from a representative of the Rena Costa Center for Yiddish Studies at Bar Ilan University. Lunch on own. "Little Tel Aviv": Walking tour of the Neve Tzedek neighbourhood that gave birth to the "first Hebrew city in 2,000 years". Neve Tzedek was once Jaffa-Tel Aviv's educational center and home to its leading intellectuals, among them Eliezer Ben Yehuda, S. Y. Agnon, Rabbi Kook and Nahum Gutman. Then continue to the Shalom Tower, where the historic Herzliya Gymnasium stood and is portrayed in two large mosaics in the lobby depicting the history of Tel Aviv. Check in to the Carlton Hotel in Tel Aviv. Dinner at Goshen Restaurant. Overnight: Carlton Hotel, Tel Aviv

Monday, 18 November – Higher Education in Haifa - Travel to Haifa. Guided tour of the Technion to hear about its pioneering role in the development of higher education in Israel and its contribution to Israel as the "Start Up Nation". Lunch at Haifa University. Meeting at Haifa University with Prof. Gur Alroey, Director of the Ruderman Program in American Jewish Studies and faculty of the Israel Studies Department. Guided tour of the Hecht Museum at Haifa University to see the Maagan Michael Shipwreck, the well preserved wreck of a 2,400 year old merchant vessel found in the Mediterranean Sea together with its "tool box", which revealed fascinating information about ancient shipbuilding. Return to Tel Aviv. Dinner on own. Overnight: Carlton Hotel, Tel Aviv

Tuesday, 19 November – Higher Education on the Periphery - Meeting with students and faculty at Sapir College in Sderot to learn about the role of regional colleges in bringing higher education to the Israeli periphery. Sapir College has operated under the threat and disruptions caused by Hamas rocket attacks, because it is located in the Gaza border region. Visit Beit Ha'edut, a small Holocaust Museum on Moshav Nir Galim, which takes a different educational approach by examining dilemmas faced by Jews during and in the aftermath of the Holocaust. Return to Tel Aviv. Remainder of afternoon free. Late check out. Farewell dinner at Malka Restaurant, a Tel Aviv chef restaurant run by the Elem organization, where youth at risk are trained for culinary careers (private room requested). Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport

Wednesday, 20 November – Arrive in U.S.A. (Philadelphia)



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TIPPING: Tips for guides and drivers are not included in tour price: \$190. Per person

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\$300 per person	90 - 80 Days
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SEAT ASSIGNMENTS: There is no advanced seat selection for tour departures; however, we will try to meet individual requests upon availability. Three hours advance arrival to the airport is necessary to ensure adequate time for check in.

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Please make sure the expiration date is at least 6 months past your date of return.

IMMUNIZATIONS: No immunization shots or vaccinations are required at present, unless otherwise noted.

NOTE: The sequence of activities in the itinerary may change or be reversed some may be omitted due to circumstances beyond our control. Pricing is subject to change until the trip is paid in full.

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