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MA PROGRAM IN GOVERNMENT

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the aim of nurturing future leaders. In 30 years, we have created a pioneering and innovative academic center. to excellence and original thinking. 'The university of the future,' as we see it, has to prepare its students for a constantly changing world by being able to innovate skillfully, to dare, and to initiate. We believe that the knowledge and tools acquired at Reichman University support personal and graduates to tackle the challenges of our

Prof. Uriel Reichman





PROF. ASSAF MOGHADAM Dean, Lauder School of Government

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REICHMAN UNIVERSITY'S MA PROGRAM IN GOVERNMENT IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO PREPARE FUTURE LEADERS TO ACQUIRE THE TOOLS NEEDED TO GRASP TODAY'S COMPLEX PREDICAMENTS AND TO DEVELOP SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS THESE CHALLENGES."

DEAN'S WELCOME

The twenty-first century has been marked by profound scientific and technological progress that has improved the quality of lives around the globe. Despite these advances, too many people continue to face ongoing and new challenges to their well-being and prosperity, such as violent conflict, the rise of extremist ideologies, the growing influence of artificial intelligence on human society, and global pandemics.

Reichman University's MA Program in Government is uniquely positioned to prepare future leaders to address these challenges. Trained in the world's leading universities and having served in senior positions in government, business, and NGOs, the MA program's world-renowned faculty offers its students the twin benefits of academic excellence and practical experience. Our rigorous curriculum and dynamic educational program combine in-class instruction, using the latest educational technologies, with insightful and enjoyable extracurricular activities.

The MA Program in Government takes great pride in its graduates, many of whom have gone on to pursue exciting and rewarding careers in policy, research, academia, and consulting. We are looking forward to welcoming you to our program so that you too can join this network of global leaders.



PROF. ASIF EFRAT Head, MA Program Head, Research Track

The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy at Reichman University is among the leading schools of public policy, diplomacy, foreign policy, counter-terrorism, and strategy in Israel. The mission of the Lauder School is to educate and train the next generation of leaders, scholars, and educators. As Israel and the world are facing enormous challenges in the areas of terrorism, interstate and ethnic conflicts, poverty, public health, and the environment, there is a pressing need to train students to become better policy analysts, practitioners, and scholars.

Our programs are taught in English and Hebrew, combining theory and practice in an interdisciplinary and international setting. In addition to introducing you to key theories, models, and concepts in your area of specialization, the program will provide you with a set of analytical and practical tools for conducting policy research and addressing policy dilemmas and challenges. Students from the Lauder School can participate in the activities of the school's institutes, including the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) and the Institute for Policy and Strategy (IPS), whose annual conferences bring to campus policymakers from around the world.

The MA Program in Government is a stepping stone for positions of leadership in the public sector and academia in Israel and worldwide. I invite you to enroll in this program and to become part of the Reichman University community.



AMBASSADOR RONALD S. LAUDER

Ambassador Ronald S. Lauder, an international businessman and Jewish communal leader, was appointed US Ambassador to Austria in 1986. In 1987, he established The Ronald S. Lauder Foundation, which focuses on Jewish education and community outreach. Among the many positions he has held and currently holds are: President of the World Jewish Congress; Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations; Chairman of the Board of the Jewish National Fund; and Chairman of the International Public Committee of the World Jewish Restitution Organization. The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy was established in 1999.

THERE IS A PRESSING NEED TO TRAIN STUDENTS TO BECOME BETTER POLICY ANALYSTS, PRACTITIONERS, AND SCHOLARS."

REICHMAN UNIVERSITY

FAST FACTS



The Israeli Council for Higher Education granted Reichman University permission to confer doctoral degrees



Reichman University's Alumni Association,

with over 38,000 graduates, forms a professional and social alumni community that promotes

networking from different countries, and strengthens the pride and belonging to Reichman University and the alumni

Israel's first and only 血 private university

Reichman University has created new, academic interdisciplinary concepts

in the fields of entrepreneurship, counter-terrorism and sustainability models that are being implemented around the world

The Career Center

aims to assist alumni in integrating into the professional market, as well as to \odot assist employers who are seeking to recruit suitable candidates



There are **8,500** students at Reichman University Over

of them, from over 90 different countries, study at the Raphael Recanati International School they make up 1/3 of the Reichman University student body!

Lone Soldiers studying for full degrees

Ranked **10** in Israel for our treatment of IDF reservists

CURRICULUM

There are three specializations taught in English in the MA program: Diplomacy & Conflict Studies; Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence; and the Research Track with Thesis. Studies in the Diplomacy and Counter-Terrorism specializations may also be combined with the writing of a thesis.

The length of the program is one year (three semesters, including the summer). Classes are held twice a week during the first and second semesters, and potentially two additional days during the summer, depending on the specialization.

The Research Track with Thesis and the Specialization with Thesis take two academic years.

- DIPLOMACY & CONFLICT STUDIES (option for Thesis) (Thursday, Friday) *
- COUNTER-TERRORISM & INTELLIGENCE (option for Thesis) (Thursday, Friday) *
- RESEARCH TRACK WITH THESIS (Thursday, Friday) *

Core Courses (9 credits)

- Research Methods
- Workshops in Decision-Making
- MA Seminar
- Data Science and Information Technologies

Four Courses from the Following (8 credits)

- Advanced Theories & Approaches to Politics
- Conflict Resolution**
- Diplomacy & Conflict in the Era of Globalization**
- Economic & Social Policy
- International Political Economy
- Political Leadership
- Political Psychology
- Political Thought
- Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism ***

- * Some electives may be offered on Wednesday.
- ** Required for the specialization in Diplomacy & Conflict Studies
- *** Required for the specialization in Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence

Electives (8 credits)

All MA-level courses can be taken as an elective, including (selected list):

- Spoken Arabic
- Iranian Diplomatic & Security Studies
- Egypt Politics, Society & Terror: From Vision to Reality
- History of the US-Israel Relationship
- US Foreign Policy in the Middle East
- The Open Society & Its New Enemies
- Strategic Surprise
- Introduction to Cybersecurity
- Research Seminar Dynamics of Power & Technology
- Research Seminar Contemporary Issues in International Terrorism

Credits

- 41 credit hours for the Diplomacy & Conflict Studies and the Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence specializations (43 credits with the Cyber-Terrorism or Contemporary Middle East Politics clusters)
- 40 credits for the Research Track specialization
- 62 credits for the Specialization with Thesis
- The student's average grade must be above 80 to proceed to the final semester.
- All MA level courses at Reichman University may be taken as electives.



CHAIR, DR. DANA WOLF

DIPLOMACY & CONFLICT STUDIES

The specialization in Diplomacy & Conflict Studies combines ideas, skills, and practices for effective twenty-first century diplomacy, conflict management, and engagement in international development work. Students are encouraged to explore the great transformations currently shaping the global order and to develop the understanding, vision, and tools necessary to become leaders in addressing those transformations. The specialization provides students with unique opportunities to analyze how international conflicts emerge and evolve, and how they can be managed through negotiation, mediation, and peace building. By gaining knowledge and tools, students will be better equipped to address emerging trends in international diplomacy (including public diplomacy), conflict management, and the range of complex challenges in the globalized world.

The program also offers two certificate-granting elective clusters: Contemporary Middle East Politics, headed by Dr. Yossi Mann, provides an in-depth exploration of the contemporary dynamics shaping the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. International Development, Sustainability & Entrepreneurship, headed by Dr. Jennifer Shkabatur, seeks to nurture outstanding young leaders and social entrepreneurs interested in leveraging Israeli innovation for the benefit of international development and humanitarian assistance work around the world.

Throughout the program we emphasize the acquisition of practical skills and experience, so that students learn to deal with twenty-first century regional and international challenges. These skills can be acquired through individual internships, research, or policy-oriented work with highly experienced practitioners.

Specialization (16 credits)

- International Mediation
- Strategy & Deterrence: Comparative National Strategies
- Psychological & Cultural Aspects of Conflict Management
- International Law & International Conflict
- War, Peace & Strategic Aspects of International Relations
- Conflict Analysis
- The Modern International System
- Russia & Foreign Policy
- Public Diplomacy
- China & Chinese Foreign Policy

Cluster in Contemporary Middle East Politics (12 credits)

- Spoken Arabic
- Religion & Politics in the Middle East
- Society, Energy & Politics in the Middle East
- · Islam & Nationalism in the Middle East
- Education & Politics in Middle Eastern Societies
- Choose one of the following research seminars:
 - > Negotiating Core Issues in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
 > Arab Spring in the Middle East & Variable Changes

Cluster in Global Impact Studies (10 credits)

- Key Issues in International Development
- Humanitarian Aid & Emergency Management
- Entrepreneurship & Innovation in Emerging Economies
- Innovation, Governance & Development Workshop
- Financial Regulation of Socio-Environmental Conflicts

Electives (8 credits)

- For the list of courses offered as electives see pg. 7
- All MA level courses at Reichman University may be taken as electives.
- The cluster in either *Contemporary Middle East Politics* or *International Development* may be taken instead of the 10 elective credits. A certificate will be awarded to students who complete the International Development cluster.

Specialization with Thesis

Students have the option to apply for the *Diplomacy & Conflict Studies Specialization with Thesis*. For details on the writing of a thesis see pg. 10.



CHAIR, PROF. ASSAF MOGHADAM

COUNTER-TERRORISM & INTELLIGENCE

The specialization in Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence, in collaboration with the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), is a cutting-edge MA program that combines academic study, simulations, and workshops, and that offers special tools for critical thinking in this field. The courses provide concentrated, in-depth exposure to the phenomenon of modern terrorism and its characteristics, modus operandi, scope, and dissemination throughout the world. Students will obtain an understanding of the challenge that this phenomenon presents to decision-makers, security establishments, first responders, legal systems, and the business sector, based on the experience Israel has accumulated in the field.



Specialization (16 credits)

- Formal & Informal Terrorist Actors
- Insurgencies & Civil Wars
- Psychological Aspects of Terrorism
- Radical Islamic Ideologies
- Hezbollah: A Hybrid Terrorist Organization
- Online Terrorism
- Terrorism & Profiling
- Terrorism Fundraising
- Post-Modern Terrorism CBRN
- Global Migration: Challenges & Dilemmas
- Introduction to Homeland Security
- Counter-Terrorism Issues & Challenges for Homeland Security
- Counter-Terrorism Strategy & the Terrorism Threat
- National Security Strategy & Deterrence
- Intelligence in the New Era
- Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism Decision-Making
- Legal Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism

Cluster in Cyber-Terrorism (12 credits)

- Introduction to Cybersecurity
- Cybersecurity
- Cyberspace in the Modern Terrorism Strategy
- Countering the Cyber Threat
- Workshop in Cybersecurity
- Two additional credits of elective courses

Electives (8 credits)

- For the list of courses offered as electives see pg. 7
- All MA level courses at Reichman University may be taken as electives.
- The cluster in *Cyber-Terrorism* may be taken instead of the 10 credits of electives. A certificate will be awarded to students who complete this program.

Specialization with Thesis

Students have the option to apply for the *Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence Specialization with Thesis*. For details on the writing of a thesis see pg. 10.



CHAIR, PROF. ASIF EFRAT

Head of the MA Program

RESEARCH TRACK WITH THESIS

The Research Track with Thesis is intended for students who plan to pursue a research-oriented career in academia or other settings in which critical analytical skills are necessary. The student's original research project is at the core of this MA specialization.

The project includes the following steps:

- Select an advisor from the Lauder School's permanent faculty by the end of the first semester.
- Design a plan of study together with your advisor.
- Submit a thesis proposal by the end of the first year (to be approved by the advisor).
- Submit the thesis by the end of the fourth semester and defend it.

Core Courses (26 Credits)

- Research Methods MA
- Workshop in Decision-Making
- Political Thought
- Data Science & Information Technologies
- Research Seminar MA
- Advanced Research Seminar
- Advanced Research Methods
- Advanced Theories and Approaches to Politics
- MA Seminar
- Faculty Seminar
- Qualitative Research Methods

Three Courses from the Following (6 Credits)

- The Political System of Israel
- Diplomacy & Conflict in the Era of Globalization
- Public Administration & Policy
- Political Leadership
- Conflict Resolution
- International Political Economy
- Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism
- Political Psychology
- Strategy & Politics

Directed Studies with Advisor (4 credits) Electives (4 credits)

- For the list of courses offered as electives see pg. 7
- Approval of the thesis proposal and a GPA of 80 are required to proceed to the second year of study.

Reichman University reserves the right to cancel, alter, or expand the academic programs offered.



THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY AND STRATEGY (IPS)

The Institute for Policy and Strategy at Reichman University, the convener of the Annual Herzliya Conference Series, aspires to contribute to Israel's national security and resilience by conducting integrative and comprehensive policy analysis on the unprecedented challenges facing the nation, identifying opportunities and threats, producing strategic insights and policy recommendations for decision-makers, and informing the public and policy discourse.

The annual Herzliya Conference on the balance of Israel's national security is the flagship of IPS activities. The conference draws together international and Israeli participants from the highest levels of government, business, and academia to address the most pressing national, regional, and global issues.

www.runi.ac.il/en/research/ips/pages/main.aspx





THE ABBA EBAN INSTITUTE FOR DIPLOMACY & FOREIGN RELATIONS (AEI)

The Abba Eban Institute for Diplomacy & Foreign Relations (AEI) at The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy is a proactive research center, focusing on the theory and practice of diplomacy; regional and thematic research and action; and advanced training and the role of diplomacy and soft power as a key component of national security.

AEI was founded in 2016 by Ambassador Ron Prosor, who served as its chairman until August 2022, when he assumed the position of Israel's ambassador to Germany. Today the institute's leadership consists of its Chair, Ambassador Mark Regev, Israel's former ambassador to the UK, and senior advisor to the Israeli Prime Minister, and Executive Director Goor Tsalalyachin, a defense strategy and national security expert.

The Abba Eban Institute takes pride in its efforts to impact policy and to impact the future generation of policymakers and thinkers. The institute's leadership and senior members all teach original accredited courses as part of the BA and MA curricula, and every year, dozens of Israeli and international students from all Reichman University schools take part in the AEI Internship Program. They work closely with the institute's senior team, acquiring firsthand experience through various activities and projects. Many interns have gone on to careers in the fields of tech, diplomacy, business, and media.

AEI operates several regional and thematic programs, such as the Policy & Technology Program, Israel-Asia Policy Program, and the Israel-Arab Gulf Program. The Institute publishes the Arena Magazine for Diplomacy & Foreign Relations and runs a Media Operations Department that works closely with all programs.

Students will find engagement with the Abba Eban Institute instrumental to their future professional and academic pursuits.

abbaeban.runi.ac.il

THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR COUNTER-TERRORISM (ICT)

The International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) is one of the leading academic institutes for counter-terrorism in the world, facilitating international cooperation in the global struggle against terrorism. ICT is an independent think tank providing expertise in: terrorism, counter-terrorism, homeland security, threat vulnerability and risk assessment, and open intelligence analysis policy.

ICT holds an annual World Summit on Counter-Terrorism Conference, one of the most influential events in the field of counter-terrorism today. Speakers and participants at ICT's previous conferences have included current and former ministers, members of parliament, heads of security agencies and police departments, first responders, academics, professional experts in the field of counter-terrorism, jurists, business executives, and students.

ICT also serves as a joint forum for international policymakers and scholars to share information and expertise through research papers, situation reports, and academic publications for worldwide distribution.

www.ict.org.il





Benjamin Netanyahu Prime Minister of Israel, attending ICT's 16th International Conference: World Summit on Counter-Terrorism

THE PROGRAM ON DEMOCRATIC RESILIENCE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Program on Democratic Resilience and Development at the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy is an interdisciplinary research, educational, and policy platform dedicated to the understanding and nurturing of free and responsible societies in Israel and around the world. It seeks to better understand, protect, and promote the values, institutions, and processes that enable human beings to create and sustain conditions of human dignity, security, liberty, and well-being. The program is focused on analyzing twenty-first century threats to those values, institutions, and processes, and seeks to nurture a cadre of young leaders committed to freedom and responsibility.

The Program on Democratic Resilience and Development is a partnership between the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS).

FACULTY

Prof. Dima Adamsky, PhD, University of Haifa Head, Honors Track Strategy & Decision-Making, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University

Areas of Interest International Relations; International Security; Security & Intelligence Studies; Modern Military Thought; Arab-Israeli Conflict; US, Russian & Israeli National Security Courses Strategy & Deterrence; Russia & Foreign Policy; National Security

Dr. Eitan Azani, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Colonel (Res.), Israel Defense Forces; Director of Research, ICT, Reichman University

Areas of Interest Terrorist Organizations in the Middle East; Global Jihad; Cyberterror; Terror Financing

Courses Terrorism Fundraising; Radical Islamic Ideologies; Cyberspace in the Modern Terrorism Strategy; Hezbollah: A Hybrid Terrorist Organization

Prof. Amnon Cavari, PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison Director, Institute for Liberty and Responsibility, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University

Areas of Interest Israeli Politics; American Politics; Public Opinion; US-Israel Relations

Courses Intermediate Research Methods; Research Methods; Advanced Research Methods; Political Leadership

Prof. Asif Efrat, PhD, Harvard University

Director, MA Program in Government, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Chair, Research Track with Thesis, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University **Areas of Interest** International Law & Politics; International Cooperation; International Relations

Courses Introduction to International Politics; Research Seminar MA; International Conflicts & International Law; International Political Economy

Prof. Boaz Ganor, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Chair, Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence Specialization, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Former Dean, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Founder, Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Reichman University; Former Advisor, Prime Minister's Office on Counter-Terrorism Areas of Interest International & Local Terrorism Courses Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism; Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism Decision-Making Prof. Sandra Destradi, DPhil, University of Hamburg Areas of Interest Global Governance and the Global South; Populism and Foreign Policy; Emerging Powers Courses Global Governance; India as a Rising Power

Prof. Sivan Hirsch, PhD, University of Antwerp Areas of Interest Political Extremism & Violence; Collective Action & Social Movements; Political Behavior; Political Sociology; Religious & Ethnic Conflict Courses Research Methods; Political Leadership in the Middle East; Final Project

Prof. Bruce Hoffman, PhD, Oxford University Director, Center for Jewish Civilization, Georgetown University **Courses** Counter-Terrorism Issues & Challenges for Homeland Security

Prof. Liza Ireni-Saban, PhD, Tel Aviv University Chair, Public Policy & Political Marketing, MA in Government Program (Hebrew), Reichman University Areas of Interest Public Administration; Public Policy & Ethics Courses Political Thought

Dr. Ely Karmon, PhD, University of Haifa

Advisor to the Israeli Ministry of Defense; Member, International Permanent Observatory (IPO) on Security Measures During Major Events, UNICRI, Turin, Italy; Senior Researcher, Institute for Counter-Terrorism

Area of Interest International Terrorism Courses Post-Modern Terrorism - CBRN

Dr. Amichai Magen, PhD, Stanford University Chair, Diplomacy & Conflict Studies, MA in Government Program, Reichman University

Areas of Interest Democracy; The Rule of Law; Liberal Orders; Political Violence

Courses The Modern International System; The Open Society and Its New Enemies; Governance & Political Violence

Dr. Yossi Mann, PhD, Oxford University Chair, Politics & Development in the Middle East, MA in Government Program, Reichman University Areas of Interest Commodities Market; Renewable Energy in the EU; Oil & Gas in the Middle East Courses Contemporary Middle East; Development & Entrepreneurship in the Middle East; Society, Energy & Politics in the Middle East

Dr. Shavit Matias, LLM, Georgetown University; SJD, George Washington University

Deputy Attorney General of Israel; Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University; Member, Jean Perkins Task Force on National Security and Law; Member, UN Commission on International Trade Law; Member, Institute for Policy and Strategy, Reichman University

Areas of Interest National Security Affairs; International Institutions & Regulation; International Law & Diplomacy; Negotiations & International Dispute Settlement **Courses** Diplomacy & Conflict in the Era of Globalization

Col. (res.) Miri Eisin, MA, Haifa University

Executive Director, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism Areas of Interest Arab-Israeli Conflict; Security in Israel; Israeli National Security; Terrorism Courses Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism

Prof. Assaf Moghadam, PhD, Tufts University

Dean, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Senior Researcher, Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT); Fellow, Combating Terrorism Center, West Point **Areas of Interest** Terrorism & Political Violence; Insurgency; Civil Wars, Proxy Wars

Courses Formal & Informal Terrorist Actors; Research Seminar on Contemporary Topics in International Terrorism; Insurgencies & Civil Wars

Prof. Karine Nahon, PhD, Tel Aviv University

Part V

Chair, Data & Democracy Cluster; President, Israel Internet Association; Associate Professor, Lauder School of Government and Ofer School of Communications, Reichman University **Areas of Interest** Politics of Information; Power Dynamics & Network Gatekeeping in Social Media; The Role of Virality & Information Flows in Elections & in Politics in General **Courses** Research Seminar: Dynamics of Power & Technology

Prof. Liav Orgad, LLD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Associate Professor, Reichman University; Director, Global Citizenship Governance, European University Institute **Areas of Interest** Citizenship Theory; Comparative Immigration Law; International Jurisprudence

Courses Citizenship & Technology; Human Rights & International Order; Global Migration: Challenges & Dilemmas; Technology Citizenship & Digital Government



Areas of Interest Role & Status of Non-State Actors; Asymmetric Warfare & the Morality of War; International Court of Justice; Relationship Between International Law & International Relations; Comparative Analysis of Systems of Law

Courses International Law; Contemporary Problems in International Law; Law & Terrorism

Dr. Alisa Rubin Peled, PhD, Harvard University

Academic Director, Argov Program in Diplomacy, Reichman University

Areas of Interest International Political Economy with a Focus on the Middle East; Business-Government Relations; Globalization

Courses International Political Economy; Current Challenges Facing Israeli Society

Dr. Shaul Shay, PhD, Bar-Ilan University

Colonel (Res.), Israel Defense Forces; Former Deputy Head, Israel National Security Council

Areas of Interest Local & International Terrorism

Courses Israel's Middle Eastern Neighbors; Israeli Counter-Terrorism Policy; Theaters of Global Jihad; State Involvement in Terrorism; Strategic Surprise

Dr. Jennifer Shkabatur, PhD, Harvard University

Areas of Interest Information Law & Policy; Open Government & Open Data; Governance Innovations in Developed & Developing Countries; The Political Economy of Post-Soviet Countries

Courses Introduction to International Development; Governance Innovations in Developing Countries; Practicum

Dr. Lesley Terris, PhD, Tel Aviv University

Deputy Dean, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University Areas of Interest Negotiation & Mediation Processes in International Conflict; Combining Game-Theoretic Modeling Courses Conflict Analysis; International Mediation; Advanced Research Seminar; Policy & Strategy Simulation

Prof. Gabriel Weimann, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Areas of Interest The Study of Media Effects; Political and Commercial Campaigns; Terrorism and the Media; Terrorism and the Internet; Public Opinion Research Courses Online Terrorism; Jihadist Social Media

APPLICATION, **ADMISSION**, TUITION

APPLICATION PERIOD

The application period for the academic year starting fall 2024 is November 15, 2023 - August 31, 2024.

Due to the competitive nature of the admissions process we recommend that applicants prepare their application well in advance of the deadlines. Reichman University reserves the right to impose stricter criteria upon applicants during the late application period or upon applicants who submit material late. Preference will be given to applicants who submit all required material during the regular application period.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or 80% and above. For the Research Track and Specialization with Thesis a GPA of 88% is required.
- Prerequisite courses may be required. (There may be additional costs for these courses.)
- The academic program of the Raphael Recanati International School is taught entirely in English. Graduates of schools in which English was not the primary language of instruction are required to pass the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or an equivalent test, such as the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) or the Israel Psychometric Examination.

www.toefl.org TOEFL

IELTS www.ielts.org

ONLINE APPLICATION

Please note your application must include:

- Official transcripts of previous academic studies. Transcripts must bear the official stamp of the issuing institution. If you do not send the original transcript, scanned photocopies of the original documents will be accepted if properly notarized.*
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Copy of passport or identity card
- Two letters of recommendation or references, to be sent directly to the Admissions Office
- Personal Statement: One page explaining applicant's background, interest in the program, and aspirations. For the Thesis Track: a two-page personal statement highlighting academic background, research interests, and professional aspirations.
- Thesis applicants must submit a 10-15 page writing sample on any subject in either English or Hebrew.
- * An official, notarized English translation must be submitted for all transcripts not originally issued in English.

TUITION & FEES

- The application fee is \$100 USD (non-refundable).
- The down payment is \$2,000 USD. Applicants must pay the fee to secure their place in the program after being accepted. Once the down payment has been received, the applicant's place is secured and confirmed.
- Tuition for Counter-Terrorism & Intelligence and Diplomacy & Conflict Studies is \$14,700 USD. Tuition for the Specialization with Thesis option is \$15,900 USD.

If payment is in Israeli shekels, the value in dollars will be determined according to the exchange rate on the day that payment is received.

Reichman University reserves the right to change all tuition and fee rates without prior notice.

FINANCIAL AID

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

RRIS awards excellent students with merit scholarships based on their previous performance. Students do not apply for this scholarship. The Admissions Office will notify you if relevant.

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL **STUDENT LOANS (FAFSA)**

US citizens are eligible to apply to borrow FAFSA Stafford loans as part of the Direct Loans Programs and/or Sallie Mae. For students enrolled in the 2024-2025 academic year, the deadline to apply for loans is April 1st, 2025. Our school code is G40703, and the school name is Raphael Recanati International School. For further information and to start the process, please contact Rina Haller in our US office at Rina@aforu.org.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

https://www.runi.ac.il/en/schools/rris/admissions/graduate/financial-aid-and-scholarships/

APPLY ONLINE AT

https://forms.runi.ac.il/#/Public/ Registration?lang=en&form=MA



GRANTS FOR NEW IMMIGRANTS

The State of Israel offers financial assistance for graduate school tuition to new immigrants under the age of 30, provided the immigrant does not already have a graduate degree from abroad and the program is recognized by the Student Authority. Students must begin their graduate studies within three years of their Aliyah date (not including army service), in order to be eligible for this assistance.

https://www.gov.il/en/Departments/Units/students_authority_maya

MASA

Jewish tourists between the ages of 18-30 who have not been in Israel on a prior long-term program are eligible for grants and scholarships



through the Masa Project. Please note: once you make Aliyah you are not eligible for this grant so please check this before making Aliyah! More information at: www.masaisrael.org

SAP (Students Assistance Programs)

Canadian students interested in loans and grants from the Canadian government can get information at https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/education/ student-aid/grants-loans/province-apply.html

Financial aid is also available through the Free Loan Association for the Greater Toronto area (https://jewishtoronto.com/ directory/jewish-free-loan-toronto)

Networking is the name of the game! To date, there are more than 38,000 Reichman University graduates from over 90 countries. This gives students a unique opportunity to meet people from different backgrounds and learn about other nations and cultures, and to establish friendships that last a lifetime. This also creates a global network that provides our graduates with an advantage throughout their professional career.

Our small classes create a more intimate learning setting, which allows students to get to know each other and the staff. Our philosophy is that our students are our partners.

Reichman University is one of the most prestigious universities in Israel. Employers seek Reichman University graduates because they come with practical tools and hit the ground running. Reichman University operates a Career Development Center that aims to prepare students and alumni for the job market, and to provide them with the tools to find suitable employment both before and after they graduate.

WHY **REICHMAN** UNIVERSITY

Reichman University was ranked number one in student satisfaction for guality teaching for four consecutive years, in a nationwide survey conducted by Israel's Council for Higher Education. We are the first non-government-subsidized academic institution to grant doctoral degrees.

The Raphael Recanati International School provides very special care for its students. We are the largest academic absorption center in the country. We are especially proud that we are home to more than 400 lone soldiers, who are currently studying here.

Reichman University

extracurricular activities: sports,

advocacy, JLIC-RRIS Friday night

debate club, Model UN, Israel

dinners, shiurim, mincha club,

choir, band, and much more.

offers a wide range of

1/3 of Reichman University students are international, making us the most international university in Israel for full-degree students. Israeli students serve as counselors for first-year students in order to help them find their way around and get to know the system.

VISA & STATUS ASSISTANCE



Students are responsible for clarifying and establishing their status in Israel, and can turn to the Raphael Recanati International School staff for advice and assistance. All students must clarify their status and eligibility for a student visa (A-2), or Israeli citizenship, in advance before arriving to Israel, with the Israeli embassy or consulate in their country of origin. International students who are children of an Israeli parent must settle all matters, such as deferment of military service, with the nearest Israeli embassy or consulate.

For students considering immigration to Israel. The Jewish Agency provides advice and assistance:

www.jewishagency.org/Aliyah/, or for students from North America/UK: www.nbn.org.il

CAREER CENTER

The Career Center strives to prepare students to enter the workplace and help them find employment opportunities by providing counseling, placement, and informational services. It is tailored to meet the specific needs of the students and graduates of each of Reichman University's schools, according to the relevant market. These services include personal career counseling and assistance, including one-on-one LinkedIn sessions, as well as lectures and workshops on job-seeking strategies, LinkedIn, and interviews. In addition, the Career Center creates recruitment and networking opportunities such as job fairs and employer meetings. The center also maintains an updated listing of hundreds of job openings in Israel for students and graduates.

www.runi.ac.il/career/eng





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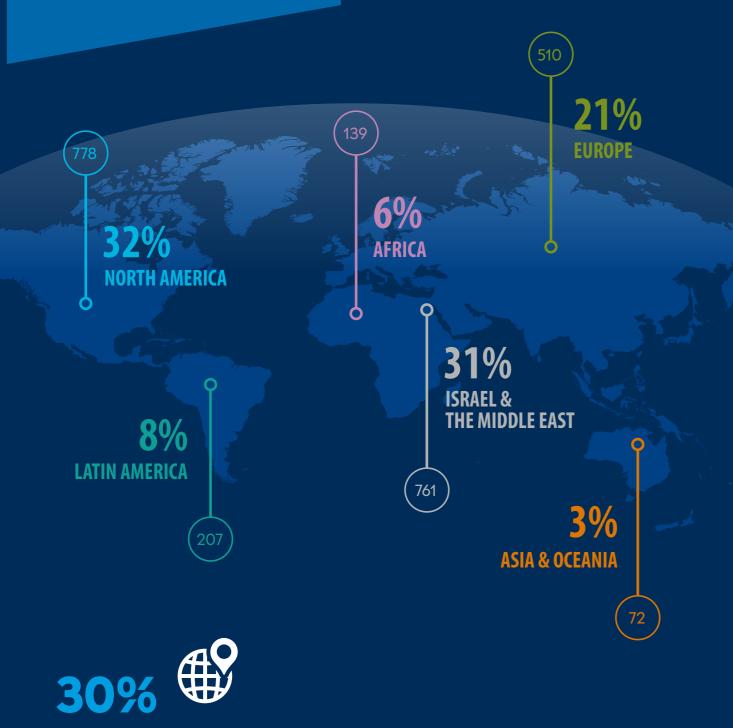
All Reichman University students are required to have comprehensive health insurance coverage throughout the duration of their studies. Reichman University cannot cover medical costs or take responsibility for students who do not have insurance. You may purchase your own health insurance policy to cover your medical needs while in Israel, or purchase the UMS HAREL YEDIDIM insurance policy for international students, offered by Reichman University (RUNI). If you are an Israeli resident covered by Israel's National Health Insurance (Bituach Leumi), you do not need any additional health insurance. The insurance plan with HAREL YEDIDIM provides comprehensive health coverage for *\$1,600 USD per academic year, which will be charged at the beginning of the year. In order for students to have continuous coverage, the HAREL YEDIDIM policy will be automatically renewed from one academic year to the next, until the end of the program, unless the student notifies the school in writing that they have an alternative health insurance and wishes to cancel.

Please note that the HAREL YEDIDIM health insurance plan does not cover pre-existing conditions.

For more information: rris.insurance@runi.ac.il

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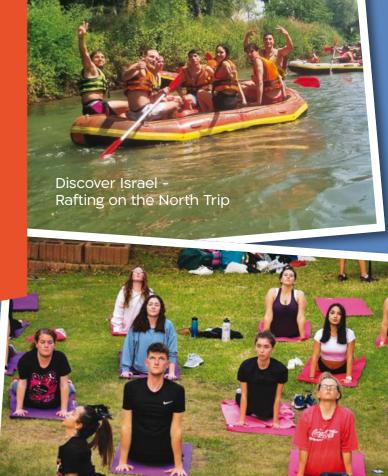
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ACADEMIC CALENDAR ה'תשפ"ה 2024-2025

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