



האוניברסיטה העברית בירושלים
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
الجامعة العبرية في أورشليم القدس

Fact Sheet

2026-2027

Exchange Program Information Sheet



Contact Information

Name of University	The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
University website	University / Rothberg International School (RIS)
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Exchange Coordinators	Incoming students: Ms. Naama Carmel Outgoing students (Non-European partners): Ms. Elinor Notrika Outgoing students (European partners): Ms. Efrat Luria
General Information	The Hebrew University of Jerusalem is Israel's premier university and top research institution, ranked among the world's 100 leading universities. The university encompasses six campuses, three of which are located in Jerusalem, and offers a wide array of study opportunities in the exact sciences, medicine, agriculture, humanities, social sciences, law, and more. Hebrew University remains deeply committed to its role as a leader in multidisciplinary research and stands at the forefront of cutting-edge innovation and entrepreneurship in a wide range of fields. The university's teaching faculty is comprised of world-renowned experts in their fields, many of whom have been recognized globally through distinguished awards and honors, including 8 Nobel Prizes, the Fields Medal, the Turing Medal, the Abel prize. The Hebrew University is an integral part of Jerusalem, one of the most fascinating and unique cities on earth. Jerusalem is home to a thriving human mosaic of Jews, Muslims and Christians, secular and religious, locals and expats from around the world.
Administrative Structure	The Rothberg International School (RIS), located on Mount Scopus campus, serves as an academic and administrative hub for numerous international programs, degrees and courses. RIS provides administrative and academic support for incoming undergraduate and graduate exchange students, including pre-arrival assistance and arrival services.
Student Support and Buddy System	The RIS Welcome Center offers a service package to all international students at the Hebrew University, which aims to help adjust to life on campus and in Jerusalem. The Welcome Center provides practical support throughout the experience at the Hebrew University including Security and Safety orientations, office hours, 24/7 emergency phone number, and more. Besides support services, the office provides a wide range of social and cultural extracurricular activities. The many exciting events, tours, and activities complement the academic program and allow students to see Israel from new angles.

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	H.U.B. (Hebrew University Buddies) is a program run by the Welcome Center, whose goal is to provide an opportunity for international and local students to connect through meaningful exchange. The program will match peers from varying backgrounds to foster a more diverse and heterogenous environment across and aims to provide international exchange students with the opportunity to meet local students and experience Israel through a more authentic and informal lens.
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Course Information and Selection

Registration and Application Deadlines	<u>Nomination Deadline:</u> 1 month prior to application deadline. Please use our nomination sheet (excel format) and send it to the exchange coordinator: Email Ms. Naama Carmel – Email: naamaca@savion.huji.ac.il <u>Application Deadlines:</u> Autumn and Year – Undergraduate: April 15th Graduate: May 10th Spring – Undergraduate: November 15th Graduate: December 31st
Application Information	Undergraduate Program / Graduate Program
Online Application Link	Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
Entry and Language Requirements	GPA of 3.0 (Undergraduates) / 3.2 (Graduates) <u>English proficiency requirements (one of the below):</u> 1) TOEFL - 80 2) IELTS - 6 3) Cambridge English Exams – B2 and above (the level needs to be specifically stated) 4) CEFR – B2 and above 5) Language proficiency certificates issued by University Language Centers - B2 and above 6) DAAD – a score equivalent to B2 and above/TOFEL 80 or IELTS 6. Signed and stamped by the University Language Center (the level needs to be specifically stated). Students who have completed degrees at universities in which the sole language of instruction is English are exempt from this requirement.

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	**Students who wish to take courses taught in Hebrew in the faculty departments should note that each course has different Hebrew language requirements (ranging from level Gimel to level Heh)
Course Restrictions for Incoming Students	Participation in some courses requires approval from the department in which the student wishes to study. Availability in some courses is limited and on a first come-first served basis*. *Courses in The Department of Psychology are <u>very</u> limited due to capacity constraints Certain courses have prerequisites.
Credits and Workload	The normal workload for a full-time student is 40 HUJI credits per academic year*. Our credit calculation is based on frontal lecture hours in the semester. HUJI has not adopted the ECTS credits system, however, HUJI credits can be translated into ECTS as follows: 0.66 HUJI credits = 1 ECTS. (*Varies depending on the field of study)
Standard Full Time Load	Undergraduates: Minimum 14-15 HUJI credits per semester (1 credit = 1 <u>semester</u> hour of frontal study).
Main Language of Instruction	Hebrew/English
Faculties and Program of Study	RIS Undergraduate / RIS Graduate University faculty courses (English)
Course List Available for Exchange Students*	University faculty courses (English) University faculty courses (Hebrew) RIS Undergraduate (English) RIS Graduate (English) Advanced undergraduate students are permitted to register for MA courses, pending approval of the instructor and Departments and meeting pre-requests. We highly encourage exchange students to enroll in both courses taught in university faculties and RIS courses. https://international.huji.ac.il/incoming **Students who wish to register to courses in the fields of Agriculture, Food and Environment, should apply via The International School of Agricultural Science, Ms. Noa Schwarzwald: noapl@savion.huji.ac.il The Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment, located in the city of Rehovot.

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Language Course for Exchange Students during the semester	Hebrew: For exchange students, we offer: • A 4-credit practical Hebrew course during the semester* (56 hours) 3 levels: beginners, intermediate and advanced**. • Modern Intensive Hebrew: Students who are seeking a more intensive framework during the semester will be able to join the intensive modern Hebrew course (7-13 credits) depending on their Hebrew level. <u>Level Aleph is at an additional cost</u> Arabic: Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) courses for exchange students are all conditional upon availability. Our Arabic language offerings can be found here. Please note that absolute beginners interested in studying in the 12-credit MSA course (based on availability) must participate in the pre-semester Foundations of MSA Course (for additional payment). The Division for Graduate studies offers advanced literary Arabic courses during the Spring. * The beginners 4-credit Hebrew course offered during the semester (56 hours) will also be offered as a pre-semester course (Autumn/Spring) at an additional payment. **Please note that the intermediate and advanced classes will be available only if a sufficient number of students enroll
Internship programs offered to exchange students (during the semester)	Exchange students have the option to engage in a professional internship each semester, dedicating eight hours per week to their internship activities. These internships are organized and closely monitored by our dedicated internship coordinator at RIS. Students may choose to pursue internships with external placements, such as start-ups, NGOs, or companies, or they may opt for internal internships, collaborating with Hebrew University's outstanding researchers. More information (link)
Summer Science Internship program	This summer internship program offers senior undergraduate or graduate students the opportunity to gain in-depth research experience in a wide variety of scientific fields while earning academic credit. As a participant in the program, students will work in state-of-the-art laboratories under the guidance of internationally respected Hebrew University scientists. Tuition waiver for students from exchange partners More information (link)

Semester Information

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Semester System	Two
Semester Dates (including Exam Periods)	October- February / March - July
Academic Calendar	RIS Undergraduate / RIS Graduate / University* Please note that there is a difference in the academic calendar of RIS Undergraduate program and the University academic calendar. Undergraduate students should take into consideration that, if they wish to take courses both at RIS and at faculties, their semester might be extended for an additional month.

Housing, Costs, Useful Information

On-campus Housing	Information here . Housing in the student village dorms is conditional on availability
Off Campus Accommodation	If looking for off campus private accommodation, Information here
Approximate Living Costs	Information here
Insurance	Hebrew University requires all international students, including part-time and external students to purchase the health insurance coverage offered by HUJI (via Harel Insurance) for the full period of their studies. Information here .
Visa Requirements	Information here
Useful Websites	Pre- departure Information Information about Jerusalem
Scholarship information	Masa Scholarship available for exchange students (direct application)
Promotional materials	HUJI promotional materials Toolkit



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