

# #LiveLearnLindenbaum





# Join the Conversation

A WINDOW  
INTO OUR BEIT  
MIDRASH



"Surrounded in the Beit Midrash by the Kol Torah, I feel part of a community of women who want to be invested in Torah, in the Jewish community and in having spiritual experiences. It hit me that I am in a very special place."

YAKIRA BERGMAN,  
RIVERDALE, NY



## Beit Midrash: The Heart of the Midrasha

At Midreshet Lindenbaum, you will learn with a *chavruta*, which allows you to delve deeply into the Torah, developing both the skills and the love for learning on your own. Our talented and dynamic teachers welcome and respect all questions, and take your learning to the next level as they guide you in the Beit Midrash, open up new vistas in classroom discussion, and invite you to their homes to share Shabbat together.

Learning is a window into a way of life. Analyzing the stories in Tanakh, deciphering the complexities of the Gemara, and understanding the development of Halakha enable you to grow in *middot*, *yirat shamayim* and *shemirat mitzvot*. The connections you form with your teachers and fellow students through Torah learning create the strongest bonds. Find mentors and friends for life!

### Did you know?

At any given moment, you can hear Torah learning in 4 languages in our Beit Midrash — home to a host of programs for students from all over the world & at various stages of life.



"I developed a new world, a new way of learning. It's not just about learning the simple meaning like I had always done — I gained the skills to learn in the future and discovered depth in the sources that I had never known."

SHOULAMIT BACQUE,  
PARIS, FRANCE

ROSH CHODESH ADAR IN THE BEIT MIDRASH





"From amazing *shabbatonim* to ISP meetings and personal reflection workshops, Midreshet Lindenbaum offered me a wide variety of ways to connect and feel inspired daily."

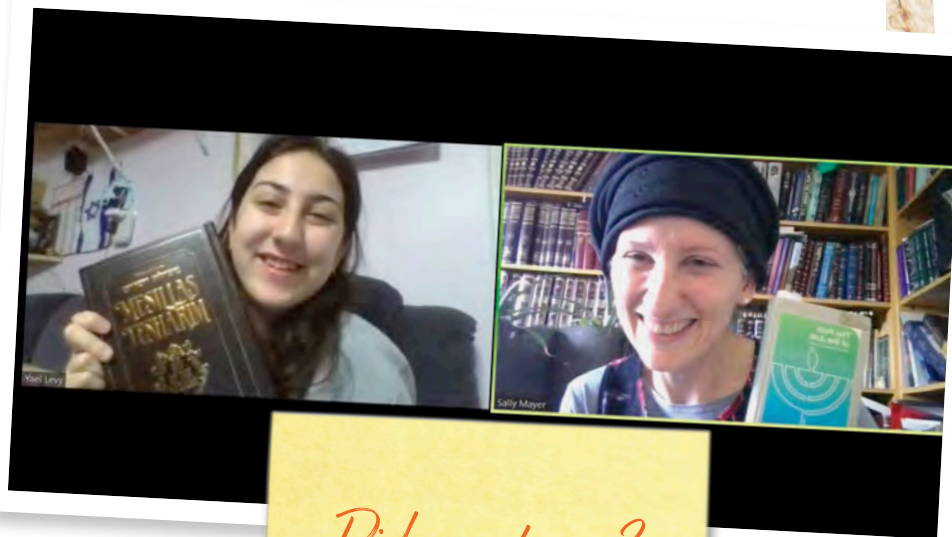
AYELET BROWN,  
SILVER SPRING, MD

## Religious Growth

Spiritual growth goes hand in hand with learning Torah. Meaningful learning creates a stronger connection to Hashem and a deeper commitment to *mitzvot*. Our shiurim, guest speakers and spiritual experiences such as *tefilot*, *shabbatot* and *tiyulim*, all help you experience different modes of spirituality and create a personalized connection to your Judaism.

Our **Individual Spiritual Program** (ISP) pairs you with a staff mentor for regular meetings to develop an individualized and goal-oriented plan to foster spiritual growth and implement what you learn at your own pace. It's an incredible opportunity to think deeply about where you are, what you are reaching for, and most importantly, to plan practical steps toward achieving your goals in spiritual growth and Torah observance.

ZOOM ISP MEETING



*Did you know?*

*Every student meets regularly with a faculty mentor to develop her own personalized plan for religious growth and a closer connection to Hashem.*



LEARN MORE  
ABOUT OUR  
ISP PROGRAM

VIRTUAL CHALLAH BAKE DURING QUARANTINE



# Inspiration & Commitment

"The friends I made during my year at Midreshet Lindenbaum really enhanced my growth and unlocked a drive that constantly pushed me to take the next step forward."

MICHAEL KATZ,  
TEANECK, NJ





# Where Learning Meets Life

HEAR ABOUT  
TIYUL  
HIGHLIGHTS



SHABBAT AT RAV BROFSKY'S — ALON SHVUT



## Be a part of *Am Yisrael* in *Eretz Yisrael*

We believe that part of spending a year learning Torah in Eretz Yisrael is seeing and experiencing the land and its people with your own eyes. At Midreshet Lindenbaum, the vibrant extra-curricular programs — including shabbatot and tiyulim around the country, a meaningful chesed program and a myriad of other special programs — complement and enhance the learning and help achieve our goals of religious and personal growth. Pushing your limits, hiking the land, spending shabbat on a yishuv, volunteering as a mother's helper for an ill child and learning about Israel's politics enable you to feel an even deeper connection to Am Yisrael and Eretz Yisrael.

Hiking in the desert like *Bnei Yisrael* in the *Midbar*, joining the Rabbis in a colorful dialogue on the ancient streets of Tsipori, being at the exact place where *Am Yisrael* crossed the Yarden, truly makes your year of learning come alive.



JOURNEY TO POLAND WITH RAV BROWN

### Did you know?

Our trip to Poland is an opportunity to experience a painful and important chapter of our history, providing additional layers of meaning and motivation for your year in Eretz Yisrael.



“The many tiyulim throughout Israel not only connect us to the land, but also connect us to fellow students. While hiking through Mitzpeh Ramon singing songs and dancing, it became clear to me that Midreshet Lindenbaum is the place for me — a place where we have opportunities to learn and think critically, connect to each other, and heighten our appreciation for the Land of Israel and Medinat Yisrael.”

DARBIE SOKOLOW,  
ENGLEWOOD, NJ





## Israeli Integration & Overseas Care

Why choose between being totally immersed in a program built for Israelis, and being in a completely overseas environment? At Midreshet Lindenbaum you don't have to choose — you get the best of both worlds!

You can integrate with Israelis in the dorm, in classes and in the Beit Midrash, creating friendships with Israeli peers while learning and gaining different perspectives from the Israeli teachers. At the same time, we give you all the support and guidance of an overseas program that understands your background and experience. If you choose to stay in Israel, your connection with both the overseas and Israeli programs creates a wonderful support system. And if you head back overseas, you go prepared with guidance for university life from those who understand where you are headed, and strong roots in Israel to which to return.



CHANUKIYAH-MAKING WITH DARKAYNU AND ISRAELI FRIENDS

### Did you know?

Hadas Chul combines intensive Torah study with service in Tzahal and provides support during your army service. Choose between a track for Olot in cooperation with Nefesh B'Nefesh or a track for non-Israeli citizens volunteering in the Machal program.

"My friends in the Hadas program became such an amazing support system — I always had somewhere to go for Shabbat, I had a place to stay during vacations, and they all want to help me with my aliyah process and integration into Israeli society!"

NOA HAHN,  
ST. LOUIS, MO

# The Best of Both Worlds

"Lindenbaum will always be the place where I began my life in Israel. Through being part of the midrasha I learned how a real connection can be formed between an individual to a people and to a land."

DANNA ZLATIN,  
CLEVELAND, OH → JERUSALEM, ISRAEL

#OFFICIALLYISRAELI

FACULTY &  
STUDENTS DISCUSS  
OVERSEAS / ISRAELI  
INTEGRATION





Midreshet Lindenbaum Spring 5780
תש"פ / 2019-2020



Table with 4 main columns: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Rows represent time slots from 7:45 to 8:00-10:00. Content includes various Torah study topics like Gemara, Halakha, and Tanach, along with speaker names such as Rav David Brofsky, Rabbanit Dena Freundlich, and Rav Yoni Rosensweig.

"The girls are so welcoming, so friendly, so open — we've formed such a special group of people who are both friends and chevrutot: like minded people who are just excited to be here."

ELIANA SCHOCHET, TEANECK, NJ





Did you know?

You can customize your own schedule with a myriad of classes focusing on Tanakh, Gemara, Halakha, Emunah, and Jewish Philosophy. Build your schedule around your personal goals!

Schedule for: Kronisch, Talya Spr 2019/20

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
7:45 - 8:45 Tfilla + Breakfast	7:45 - 8:45 Tfilla + Breakfast	7:45 - 8:45 Tfilla + Breakfast	7:45 - 8:45 Tfilla + Breakfast	7:45 - 8:45 Tfilla + Breakfast
8:45 - 10:40 Sefer Bamidbar Rav Alex Israel	8:45 - 11:40 Talmud Rav David Brofsky	8:45 - 12:15 Talmud Rav David Brofsky	8:45 - 11:40 Talmud Rav David Brofsky	8:45 - 10:40 Sefer Bamidbar Rav Alex Israel
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Chavruta:  
Lauren Zawi

Work on  
Matuidot paper

Chavruta with  
Michal in the library

Chavruta:  
Daphua

Seder Erev

10 pm Mishmar

TALYA KRONISCH,  
RIVERDALE, NY

# Choose Your Schedule

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6pm					
7pm					
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9pm					
10pm					

Chavruta:  
Aliza

"Letters to Talia"

Mindfulness  
Chug

Chavruta / ISP  
w/ Cheryl Burnat

Darkaynu  
Chavruta

Chavruta:  
Dina

Free Night

Volunteer:  
Keren Or  
(Jerusalem Center  
for Blind Children)

JULIA LEVKOWITZ,  
LOS ANGELES, CA



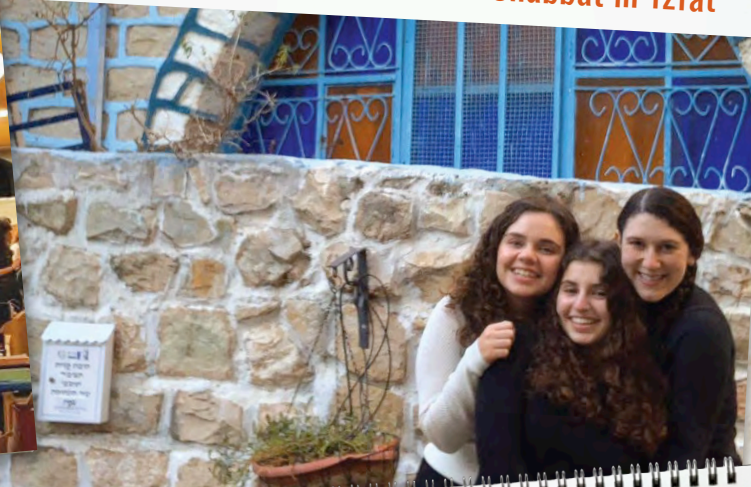
Elul-Tishrei

Slichot in the Beit Midrash



Tevet

Shabbat in Tzfat



Cheshvan

Annual Bracha Bee



Shvat

Tiyul to Eilat



Kislev

Chanukah in the Midrasha



*Did you know?*

Observing the holidays and seasons of the year in Eretz Yisrael is an amazing spiritual experience. Midreshet Lindenbaum provides students with unique opportunities to engage in the communal aspects of being part of Am Yisrael.

# Making the Most of the Year

Adar

Siyum Masekhet Megillah



Nissan Jerusalem Marathon with Darkaynu



Iyar

Yom Haatzmaut/Yom Yerushalayim



Sivan

Tiyul Sof Hashana





## Did you know?

You can walk to the Kotel from our campus in only 50 minutes.

The bus company officially calls the bus stop outside our door "Midreshet Lindenbaum," because even Egged knows this is your home!



# Home & Family



## At Home in Jerusalem

Midreshet Lindenbaum is located in Arnona, a lovely residential neighborhood in Jerusalem. Our beautiful facility, centered around our Beit Midrash, is complete with a renovated dormitory, classrooms, dining room, garden patio, exercise room, and so much more — all under one roof.

**Midreshet Lindenbaum is your home!** Our dorm has a security guard, and we are one of the few *midrashot* open 24/7 throughout our year — including *shabbatot* and *chagim*. We never close and you are never asked to leave.

Our campus is also home to Midreshet Darkaynu — Midreshet Lindenbaum's program for students with special needs. The programs come together for *shabbatot*, *tiyulim* and weekly *chavrutot* in the Beit Midrash, shared opportunities which enhance everyone's Israel experience.

"In Lindenbaum, I felt privileged to be part of an intelligent, kind and inspiring group of young women. This nurturing environment helped us form a community that encouraged developing on our own and learning from each other's individual personalities."

LARA KAY,  
LONDON, ENGLAND



ICE SKATING WITH OUR DARKAYNU FRIENDS



TAKE A VIRTUAL  
TOUR OF THE DORMS  
& OUR CAMPUS





# Mentors for Life

"From day one, the staff and faculty at Midreshet Lindenbaum give nothing less than 110% to all of us. Whether it be in the Beit Midrash or on a *tiyul* halfway up Har Shlomo, they never stop looking for ways to help students achieve their every goal."

SYLVIA ASHKENAZIE,  
BROOKLYN, NY



SHABBAT AT RABBANIT DENA'S



**Rabbanit Sally Mayer**  
*Rosh Midrasha*

Rabbanit Sally serves as Rosh Midrasha and teaches Talmud, Halakha and Emuna at the midrasha. Before moving to Israel with her family, she was a member of the core faculty that built Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls in Teaneck, NJ. She served as an editor for the new Koren translation of the Talmud.

"You are the epitome of a great role model. You gave us *chizuk* to be the best that we can be and pushed us to reach our true potential. You always led by example and truly showed us all the characteristics we should strive to embody."



**Rabbanit Nomi Berman**  
*Rosh Beit Midrash*

Rabbanit Nomi Berman serves as Rosh Beit Midrash at Midreshet Lindenbaum, and teaches Tanakh and Halakha at the midrasha. She and her husband Rav Todd served for four years as the first Av and Eim Bayit in Lindenbaum's current facilities. As a team, they also pioneered the Jewish Learning Initiative on Campus, a program co-sponsored by the OU and Hillel which brings Rabbinic couples to university campuses.

"Your wisdom and casual knowledge of everything inspires me. Thank you for always making yourself available to meet and discuss ideas. You are such a clear thinker and devoted teacher. No matter what I needed help with over the course of the year, you were there."



**Rav Shlomo Brown**  
*Executive Director*

Rav Brown is a graduate of the Hesder Yeshiva Har Etzion where he learned for 7 years and received *semikha*. He has been part of the Midreshet Lindenbaum family since 1986, teaching Talmud, Tanakh and Halakha, and has served as director of the Israeli and overseas programs. He passionately leads Midreshet Lindenbaum's unique and informative annual Poland trip.

"Thank you for your consistent devotion and commitment to making sure this school functions properly. You dealt with any of our issues in a very understanding manner, always listening and offering a solution when possible. I would also like to thank you for organizing such a meaningful Poland trip."



**Rav Yitzchak Blau**  
*Tanakh Faculty*

"You've kept us engaged and laughing throughout the year, while still managing to help us become educated Jewish women in every sense of the word."



**Rav David Brofsky**  
*Gemara Ra'm*

"Your complete impassioned love of learning has made every shiur that we've had together interesting and engaging, and our debates have been nothing less than intellectual."



**Cheryl Burnat**  
*Rakezet Chevratit*

"You are the glue that holds this Midrasha together. You are everyone's go to, our role model and the wisest and most understanding person I have ever spoken to."



**Merav Edrei**  
*Eim Bayit*

"You walk into a room and light it up with your love of life and people...thank you for having a house that is always open."



**Rabbanit Dena Freundlich**  
*Gemara Ra'm*

"Your consistent enthusiasm, positivity and warmth is an invaluable part of our year. You make each of us feel so special and cared for, whether it be one on one or with the giant smile you award each of us upon entering the classroom."



**Rav Alex Israel**  
*Tanakh Faculty*

"Your enthusiasm to learn is inspiring and contagious. Not only have you taught us how to learn Tanakh, but also how to live our lives embodying the Tanakh and its values."



**Rav Tuvia Kaplan**  
*Machshava Faculty*

"Torah is often described as light; thank you for being one of the most brilliant, insightful teachers I've ever had the honor of learning from."



**Rav Shmuel Klitsner**  
*Tanakh Faculty*

"You are able to take the ancient characters and not only bring them to life, but also make us see ourselves in them. We appreciate your calm and kind demeanor, overflowing wisdom, and genuine love for teaching."



**Rabbanit Rivky Krestt**  
*Tanakh Faculty*

"Thank you for being such a dynamic teacher, and creating the perfect balance between schmoozing and serious learning."



**Rabbanit Rachel Weber Leshaw**  
*Gemara Ra'm*

"Thank you for constantly pushing me to develop my skills and fostering my love for learning by introducing me to other *mefarshim* and challenging me to learn them on my own, all with a smile."



**Rav Menachem Liebtog**  
*Tanakh Faculty*

"Thank you for taking us on an exhilarating journey through the five books of Torah and for giving us your incredible Torah knowledge open-handedly."



**Rav Yoni Rosensweig**  
*Gemara Ra'm*

"You have not only broadened our knowledge but also our appreciation & understanding for Judaism in the modern world and the 'dynamic' halakhic system. Thank you for your constant availability to answer questions thoroughly and seriously."



**Professor Tamar Ross**  
*Machshava Faculty*

You challenge societal norms with your teachings and writings, yet are still able to be an amazing, respected, and strong female educator.



**Aliza Shapiro**  
*Director of Guidance*

"Thank you for always being around to listen to us and offer advice. Though your work is behind the scenes, your taking the time to speak to us makes all the difference."



**Rav Ari Shvat**  
*Machshava Faculty*

"Your class makes us think and reevaluate what we know to be true, and you are such an engaging and innovative teacher and storyteller."



**Rabbi Dr. Kenneth Brander**  
*President and Rosh HaYeshiva*

*Ohr Torah Stone*

**Rabbi Dr. Shlomo Riskin**  
*Chancellor Emeritus and Rosh HaYeshiva*

*Ohr Torah Stone*



**Rav Johnny Solomon**  
*Machshava Faculty*

"You presented the Torah not as a book, but as *the* book – as the guide book to the past, present and future, and as the key to understanding life and ourselves"



**Rabbanit Davina Wanderer-Kriel**, *Machshava Faculty*

"You introduced me, all of us, to a new perspective, a new way of approaching Judaism, from a point of spirituality and optimism."



**Rav Aharon Wexler**  
*Machshava Faculty*

"Although our class meets only once a week, you are still so dedicated to us. You always make yourself available late after class to discuss anything on our minds."





Thanks to a generous donation earmarked toward expanding women's advanced Torah scholarship and leadership, Midreshet Lindenbaum is thrilled to announce our MATMIDOT scholars program.

Are you interested in opportunities to advance your learning, *chesed* and leadership skills?

**STEP 1:**  
MIDRESHET LINDENBAUM  
APPLICATION

**STEP 2:**  
MATMIDOT APPLICATION

APPLY NOW:



# Matmidot SCHOLARS

Midreshet Lindenbaum provides extraordinary opportunities for acquiring learning and leadership skills, spiritual growth and Israel immersion. The MATMIDOT endeavor is a new initiative enabling select students to take full advantage of Midreshet Lindenbaum's valuable resources and growth opportunities — and to make the absolute most of their year.

## MATMIDOT Scholars:

**Devote extra hours to Torah learning** in the *beit midrash* through participating in a selection of the following enrichment programs:

- **"TORAH SEMINAR"** with Rav Menachem Leibtag: a tour de force of textual analysis and extensive examination of Chumash, with an eye toward religious implications.
- **"DAF YOMI"** with Rabbanit Sally Mayer: a fast-paced opportunity to hone Gemara skills, gain exposure to the world of *halakha*, and discover the rich teachings of Chazal.
- **"TOCHNIT ORA"** – Our unique program provides students with glimpses into the minds of local Torah scholars, intellectuals, leaders and visionaries through learning sessions in their homes.
- **"TOCHNIT TAMAR"** – Integration and learning opportunities with students in our Israeli program.

**Research and write Torah articles** on topics of choice for publication in Torah journals, under the guidance of a personal faculty advisor.

**Embrace the ideal combination of Torah and *chesed*** by being actively involved with the Midreshet Darkaynu Program for young women with special needs.

**Participate in weekly MATMIDOT meetings**, acquiring skills in public speaking, writing, team building, leadership, and conflict resolution.

MEET SOME  
OF OUR MATMIDOT  
SCHOLARS



MATMIDOT DINNER OUT

"Lindenbaum's Matmidot program showed me that I not only have the ability to learn Torah at a high level but that I can also be *michadesh* and contribute to the world of Torah."

MEIRA SAFFRA,  
LAWRENCE, NY



MATMIDOT MEETING WITH KNESSET MEMBER TZIPI HOTOVELY  
WHEN SHE WAS MINISTER OF DIASPORA AFFAIRS



"It was easy to push myself  
to the next level at Midreshet  
Lindenbaum because  
I was surrounded by constant  
inspiration from faculty  
and friends, both inside and  
outside of the Beit Midrash."

ELIANA RASKAS,  
SILVER SPRING, MD

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