MIGDAL OZ

בית מדרש לנשים מגדל עז

Stella K. Abraham
Beit Midrash
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A personal, immersive shana ba'aretz experience, in a large, vibrant, Israeli beit midrash




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ישיבת הר עציון
בית המדרש הגבוה לנשים
ע"ש סטלה ק. אברהם


High caliber Talmud Torah
AND
Meaningful spiritual growth
Independence
AND
Support
A Community for Life
Serious learning
AND
A flexible schedule
An authentic Israel experience
AND
A friendly English-speaking peer group

תפילה

A BEIT MIDRASH LIKE NO OTHER

The beit midrash is the heart and soul of the Migdal Oz experience.

Here you will:

- Learn, daven, contemplate and discuss ideas with friends and teachers
- Grow in your Avodat Hashem
- Be inspired by fellow students, faculty, and women in advanced programs
- Acquire skills for independent learning
- Be part of a caring, passionate community of students

Growth

A SPIRITUAL HOME

An unparalleled religious experience awaits you.

The Migdal Oz Beit Midrash is well known for its beautiful tefillot on Shabbat, Rosh Chodesh, Selichot, Yom Kippur, Yom HaAtzma'ut and other special occasions. Spiritually uplifting shabbatot, all-night learning on Shavuot, Chanuka and Purim celebrations, and Rosh Chodesh programming all combine to create an atmosphere of joyous engagement with Torah, mitzvot and klal Yisrael.





AVODAT HASHEM & YIRAT SHAMAYIM

The environment in Migdal Oz is saturated with love of Torah and Hashem, and commitment to halacha and mesorah.

We believe that healthy growth in these areas is best developed gradually and from within. Your year will include lots of opportunities to learn and reflect on topics of religious growth through:

- Beit midrash-wide discussions
- Open and honest conversations on contemporary topics
- Yemei iyun, seminars and panels
- Workshops and round-table talks
- Guest lectures by renowned speakers
- Personal meetings with faculty members
- The beit midrash Shabbat experience

הלכה ומסורת

These all come together to create genuine personal growth that will give you a solid foundation to build on throughout life.

Inspiration

עברית

FEEL AT HOME IN ISRAEL

Migdal Oz is an incredibly warm, friendly place, and learning in an Israeli beit midrash will give you the opportunity to truly be part of Israeli society and culture.

- Develop deep and real friendships with Israeli peers
- Feel a real sense of belonging and connection to Medinat Yisrael
- Spend Shabbatot at the homes of your Israeli friends
- Choose to have an adopted family on the kibbutz
- Be an insider to unforgettable Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut experiences

Best of all, you will learn to speak Hebrew at a higher level, which will change your experience of davening, learning and Avodat Hashem.

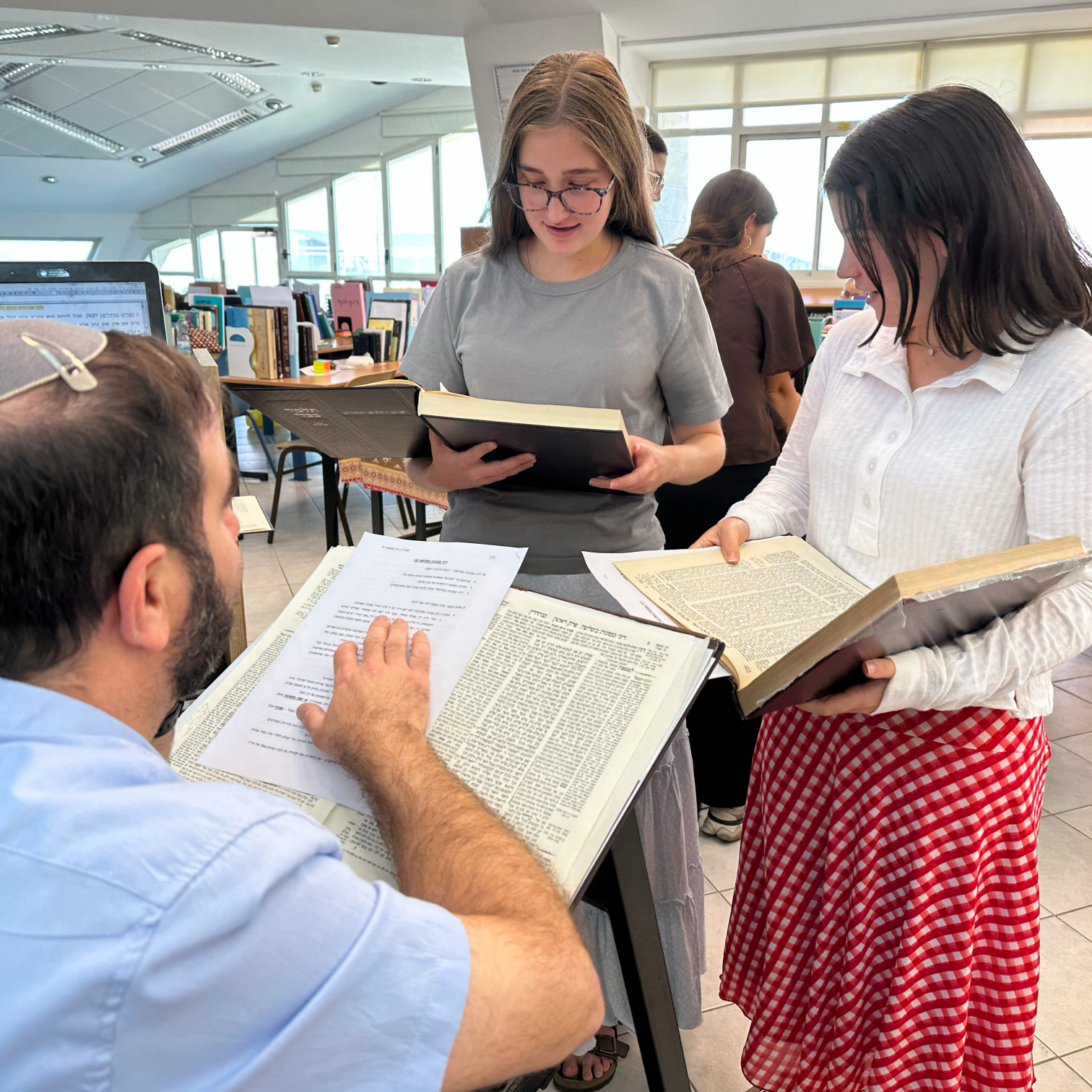
Warmth

GROW IN INDEPENDENCE

In Migdal Oz, you will be respected as an emerging adult and as an individual.

Within the framework of a warm, caring environment you will be given the space and responsibility to make decisions that are right for you. At the same time, you're never alone. Staff members are always available to help you process and navigate whatever is on your mind.


STAFF

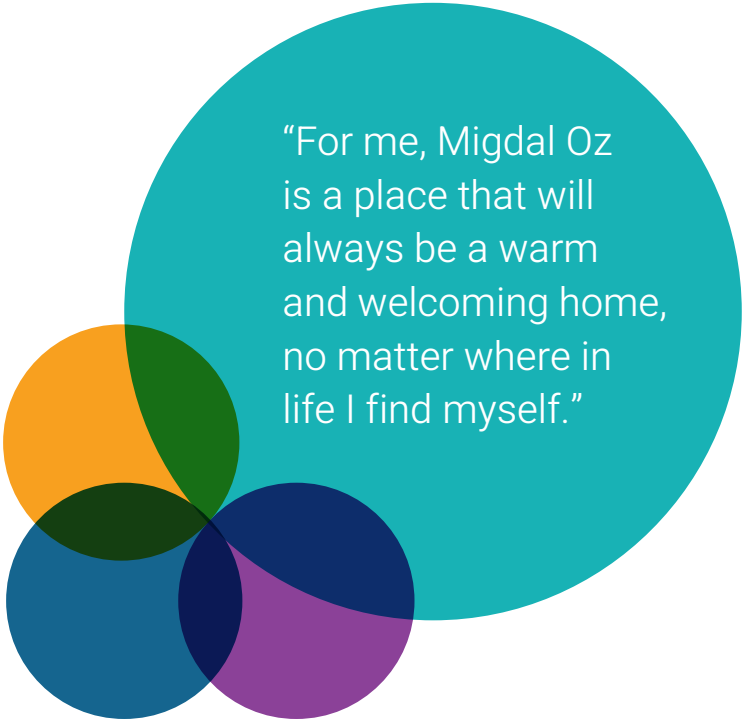


Caring Staff

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

In Migdal Oz, we will make sure that you feel comfortable and supported.

In addition to Mrs. Racheli Schmell, Director of Overseas Students, Rabbanit Shayna Goldberg, Mashgicha Ruchanit, and our entire staff of caring teachers, we have American madrichot, and an American "eim bayit" with an open home — all of whom are there to help you with physical, spiritual, emotional, medical and mental health needs. Strong bonds between the overseas students are fostered through a weekly class and several shabbatot and tiyulim just for them.



לימוד

HIGH CALIBER LEARNING

In Migdal Oz, you will learn from some of the most well-known names in Torah education today, including the Roshei Yeshiva of Yeshivat Har Etzion.

In addition to morning seder in Gemara and an engaging night seder program, there is a wide array of stimulating, high level classes offered in Tanach, halacha, machshava, and other areas of Gemara. Interested students can also join select Shana Bet classes.

PERSONALIZATION AND FLEXIBILITY

Build your own schedule to match your personal interests, aspirations and needs.

In the afternoon you can choose from a wide range of options:

- Multiple classes in each time slot
- Optional shiurim in English
- Chavruta and independent learning
- Advanced tracks in Tanach, Mishna, Gemara and Halacha
- Chessed volunteering
- Extra-curricular programming
- Personal time

It's your choice!

Choices



Sample Weekly Schedule

	Sunday		Monday		Tuesday	
6:45 am					**Optional Daf Yomi**	
7:45 am					**Shacharit and Breakfast**	
8:45 am	**Advanced Gemara** Rav Koby Gigi	**The Five Megilot** Dr. Yosefa (Fogel) Wruble	**Morning Seder** **Gemara Chavruta and Shiur**		**Morning Seder** **Gemara Chavruta and Shiur**	
	Topics in Jewish Thought and Personal Growth Rabbanit Shayna Goldberg [ENGLISH]	**Introduction to Jewish Philosophy** Rabbanit Chani Kleiman				
1:00 pm					**Lunch Break and Mincha**	
3:00 pm	**Chasidut on the Parsha** Rav Nechemya Raanan	**Mishnayot Chabura** Rabbanit Shiri Himelfarb	**Bekiut Machshava** Rav Avishai Schreiber	**Modern Orthodoxy in Israel and the Diaspora** Dr. Yosefa (Fogel) Wruble [ENGLISH]	**Bekiut Halacha** Rabbanit Batsheva Samet	**Halacha B'Iyun** Rabbanit Maayan Gil
4:30 pm	**Talmudic Aggadata** Rav Tani Feintuch [ENGLISH]	**Tefillah** Rav Ezra Bick	**Kevutza Shiur with the Ramiot**		**Advanced Gemara** Rav Kobi Gigi	**The Writings of Rav A.Y.Kook** Rav Reuven Tubul
6:00 pm	**The Philosophy of Rav Soloveitchik** Rav Netanel Buchs	**Bekiut Tanach** Rav Seffi Marcus	**Bein Ish l'isha** Rabbanit Shayna Goldberg	**Parashat Shavua** Rabbanit Esti Rosenberg		**Hilchot Shabbat** Rav Netanel Buchs [ENGLISH]
7:30 pm					**Dinner**	
8:30 pm					**Seder Erev**	
10:30 pm	**Chabura in Gemara** Rav Netanel Buchs		**The Stories of Rabbi Nachman** Rav Dan Hauzer		**Beit Midrash Electives** With Madrichot	

Wednesday		Thursday	
Shiur with Ramiot		**Morning Seder** **Gemara Chavruta and Shiur**	
Torah Lishma Rabbanit Esti Rozenberg			
Development of Chasidic Thought Rav Aviezer Cohen	**Hilchot Kashrut** Rav Yosef Tzvi Rimon	**Women in Jewish Law** Rav Meir Nehorai	**The Writings of Emmanuel Levinas** Dr. Shmuel Wygoda
Bekiut Gemara Rabbanit Lior Porat	**Eliyahu and Elisha** Rav Seffi Marcus	**The Thought of Rav Lichtenstein and Rav Amital** Rav Moshe Taragin [ENGLISH]	**The Book of Bamidbar** Rav Yakov Medan
Women in Tanach Rabbanit Shayna Goldberg [ENGLISH]	**Midrashim on Tanach** Rabbanit Achinoam Yakobs	**The Shema and Ahavat Hashem** Rav Baruch Gigi	**The Development of The Oral Law** Rav Amnon Bazak
Insights Through Song		**Erev Shabbat Mishmar** Classes by the Staff and Guest Lecturers	

The Stella K. Abraham Beit Midrash for Women, headed by the dynamic educator and scholar Rabbanit Esti Rosenberg, was established in 1997 by Yeshivat Har Etzion under the leadership of the famed Roshei Yeshiva Rav Aharon Lichtenstein *zt"l* and Rav Yehuda Amital *zt"l*, and it continues their derech of serious Talmud Torah and commitment to Avodat Hashem to this day.



Rabbanit Esti Rosenberg
Rosh Beit Midrash



Mrs. Racheli Schmell
Overseas Director



Rabbanit Shayna Goldberg
Mashgicha Ruchanit



בית

A GORGEOUS CAMPUS TO CALL YOUR HOME

With beautiful green grounds, swings, porches and patios, Migdal Oz is not just a building but an expansive and secure campus.

Located in the hills of Gush Etzion on Kibbutz Migdal Oz, we are a 30-minute drive to Jerusalem and a 15-minute walk to Efrat, where there are shops, medical and dental clinics, restaurants and more. Students live in apartments on campus alongside a main building which houses the beit midrash, dining room, library, exercise room, and various lounges.

"Every time I walk into the beit midrash, I feel so proud and inspired to be part of a community of women of all ages who are learning, davening, and working on their Avodat Hashem."



Friendship

A COMMUNITY FOR LIFE

The decision to come to Migdal Oz is a decision to become part of a warm, vibrant community of bogrot (alumnae), who continue to stay connected to each other and to the beit midrash long after their shana ba'aretz.

There are active alumnae communities on college campuses across the US and Israel, as well as numerous alumnae events throughout the year. In this special community, you will find deep friendship and conversations of relevance to your ever-developing religious world.





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