

# NORTHWESTERN AND ISRAEL 2021-2022

Northwestern | INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

## 50 Students and Scholars from Israel at Northwestern

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Undergraduate

15

Masters

13

Doctoral

21

Scholars\*

\*Scholars category includes visiting faculty, researchers, post-doctoral fellows and lecturers

## 76 Northwestern Students in Israel

76

Graduate Students

1 MBA student on exchange program, 43 executive MBA students on joint degree program, and 32 MBA students in Global Initiatives in Management course.

## PROGRAMS AND PARTNERSHIPS

### Global Learning Office

**Tel Aviv University:** Fall, winter-spring or full year undergraduate exchange

### Feinberg School of Medicine

**Tel Aviv University – Sackler Faculty of Medicine:** Clinical rotations for medical students

### Kellogg School of Management

**Tel Aviv University – Coller School of Management:** Joint executive MBA (ending in 2023), MBA exchange, faculty exchange

### McCormick School of Engineering | Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences

**Tel Aviv University:** Research collaborations in materials science and nanoscience: joint workshops, faculty and graduate student exchanges, visiting postdoctoral fellows, seed funding for joint research in bionanotechnology

### Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications

**Global Journalism in Practice:** Undergraduate course on “Israel Today: Divergent Dreams in a Promised Land” with 1-week reporting trip to Israel

### Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

**Tel Aviv University – The Buchmann Faculty of Law:** Executive LLM dual degree (Master of Law in Public Law), student exchange

### Crown Family Center for Jewish and Israel Studies

**Tel Aviv University:** Postdoctoral fellowship in Israel Studies

### Center for Water Research

**Ben Gurion University of the Negev:** Research collaborations

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# UNITS AND GROUPS

**Crown Family Center for Jewish and Israel Studies:** The Center promotes the academic study of the modern state of Israel through interdisciplinary teaching, scholarship, and research with an undergraduate minor and major in Jewish Studies, a minor in Hebrew Studies, and a Jewish Studies Graduate Cluster.

**Crown Family Israel Center for Innovation (ICI):** Through programs, courses and fellowships focused on the Israeli economy, the ICI, housed within the Kellogg School of Management, connects students and faculty with Israeli businesses and institutions, encouraging collaboration, partnership and learning.

**Israel Innovation Project (IIP):** IIP promotes collaborations between Northwestern and Israeli institutions in the sciences, technology, engineering, and math fields (STEM).

**Middle East and North African Studies Program (MENA):** MENA offers an in-depth understanding of the region that stretches from Morocco to the Gulf States and Iran, and from the Mediterranean into the Sahara and beyond.

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## COLLABORATION HIGHLIGHTS

### Water in Israel

Joint effort between the Center for Water Research, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, and McCormick School of Engineering dedicated to researching water insecurity and sustainability in Israel:

**Annual Undergraduate Course on Water in Israel and the Middle East**

**Annual Global Engineering Trek** for students to explore water insecurity in Israel

**Annual Research Symposium** for U.S. and Israeli scholars on transboundary water issues in Israel and the Middle East

### COVID-19

Northwestern's Israel Innovation Project (IIP) and the Center for Combating Pandemics at Tel Aviv University awarded Crown seed funding for collaborative research. Two projects were awarded \$50,000 each:

**Drivers of differential COVID-19 spread and response to interventions in minority populations**

J. Gerardin (Northwestern), D. Nevo and U. Obolski (TAU)

**Anti-COVID-19 high-touch surfaces using photocatalytic transparent films**

K. Gray (Northwestern), H. Mamane (TAU)

### Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Initiative

This new initiative brings together scientists and engineers — graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and their faculty research advisors — from Tel Aviv University and Northwestern through two fellowship programs:

**Post-Doctoral Exchange Fellowships**

First TAU Fellow started at Northwestern in Spring 2022

**Graduate Student Research Fellowships**

First three TAU Fellows started at Northwestern in Spring 2022

Two Northwestern Fellows started at TAU in Fall 2022

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### International Classroom Collaborations

**Candy Lee (Medill) and Shira Dvir Gvirsman (Communication Studies at TAU)** paired students to explore how marketing organizations and marketing managers conduct leadership and content strategy in the United States and Israel (Fall 2021 + Spring 2021)

**Michael Fagen (Feinberg) and Liat Lerner-Geva (Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine at TAU)** collaborated on a series of lectures and videos on public health leadership (Spring 2021)

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~1,350 Alumni based in Israel

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