

MAKOR COURSE CATALOG FALL 2011

Makor students who are signed up for 3 hours will take Hebrew periods 1 and 2 and will choose an elective period 3. Makor students who are signed up for 4 hours will choose electives periods 1 and 2 and will take Hebrew periods 3 and 4.

SUNDAY AT HEBREW COLLEGE NEWTON CENTER, MA

Makor: Period 1
(9:30–10:20 a.m.)

ART – Kevin Margolius - Music From Around the Camp Fire

At Jewish summer camp, we spend many nights sitting around a campfire, eating s'mores, and singing fantastic Jewish songs. In this class, we will capture this experience by singing the songs you love and finding the next break-out hits. Grab a guitar, bang some bongos, and come clap and sing with us.

ART – Emily Kalina - Homeland: Israel and You

When the world around us feels unsettled it's important recognize the beauty we can create for ourselves. This semester we will explore what you envision your homeland to be using drawing and painting techniques you'll learn in this class in order to convey a sense of place. We'll discuss why Israel is so important to us individually and as a people and what it means to create our own sanctuary. From those who haven't painted or drawn at all to those who know that what they are meant to do in life is be an artist, all are welcome! You'll learn some color theory techniques, and composition.

SOSTD189 - Chanit List – Girls Group

The Makor Girls' Group gives participants a chance to learn, explore and reflect in a fun and comfortable environment. Jewish themes and Bible stories will serve as jumping off points for discussions on friends, school and family. There will be games, identity quizzes, role-playing, and crafts. This is the perfect way to begin a week---you'll be relaxed and have the necessary tools to be successful!

SOSTD – Wayne Goldstein – Hadashot Yehudit – Jewish Current Events

Stay up to date on all that is happening in the Jewish world today. We will discuss events in Israel, current news related to Judaism in America, and possibly even talk about what is happening in your own town. Course will include guest speakers, multi-media presentations, lively conversation and much more. Class participation is a must if you enroll in this class-everyone's voice is important.

Makor: Period 2 (10:25–11:15 a.m.)

ART200 – Chanit List – Scrapbooking: Realizing your Jewish Journey

What's the story of your Jewish self? Camp, Birth, first day of school, bar/bat mitzvah, scouts, Shabbat dinners with family, etc. We'll explore the highlights of your Jewish journey through scrapbooking, text, stories, and art. Students will leave the class with a scrapbook they created that shows off their Jewish selves.

ISRST – Rabbi Julie Zupan - Hopes and Dreams: Foundations of Modern Israel

We all have hopes and dreams. The founders and builders of the modern State of Israel were dreamers who knew it takes hard work to make dreams come true. We'll examine who they were and the times they lived in. We will learn about the Balfour Declaration, David Ben-Gurion, the Altalena, the five waves of aliyot, Theodor Herzl, kibbutz life, Rav Kook, Israel as a melting pot, illegal immigration to Palestine, Henrietta Tzold, and more.

SOSTD – Brett Lubarsky - *Achim Sheli* - My Brothers

Sometimes, a guy's gotta do what a guy's gotta do. Being a guy is not always so simple. We like sports, and we like the arts. We like to hang out, and we like to do...well...stuff. In this Chavurah, we'll take an opportunity to explore what being a man – and more specifically, a JEWISH man – means, and what we can learn about ourselves and each other. Through activities, discussion, popular culture, media, Jewish text and tradition, games and group experiences, we'll take an opportunity to just be guys.

MIDDLE SCHOOL: Period 3 (11:45 a.m.–12:35 p.m.)

BIBLE – Cantor Steve Abramowitz – Art and Tanakh

Students will explore the relationship between various forms of art and texts from the Torah, Prophets and Writings. They will analyze the primary texts and commentaries, and look/listen/feel the art, attempting to put them in the mind of the artist. Our projects may include writing an additional verse of a Biblical-related song, comparing and contrasting two artistic forms interpreting the same text, and a project on an artistic TaNaKh interpretation of their choosing.

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SOSTD193 – Yigal Peeri - The Way to Self-Discipline and Leadership Based on Bible Heroes and Israeli Self-Defense

"Whosoever knows how to fight well is not angry. Whosoever knows how to conquer enemies does not fight them." These words were said 2600 years ago by Lao Tzu yet were acted upon 3000 years ago by Avraham Avinu. In this course we will combine the knowledge of Biblical leaders and their leadership style with Israeli and Eastern Martial arts philosophies. Through concepts of Judo, Karate, Kung Fu, Thai Chi and Krav Maga we will learn how to: think positively, control our mental strength, embrace change and understand the way of the warrior through practical exercises.

SOSTD129 – Andy Pankin – Jewish Life Around the World

In this class we will study Jewish communities from across the globe, examining them historically, culturally and spiritually through a variety of mediums. We will begin with the Jews of Israel and America and expand our studies throughout the globe. We will compare and contrast histories and cultures of Jews from places including: France, Argentina, Canada, Britain, Russia, Germany, Brazil, and South Africa. We will focus on the role Jewish people play in contemporary society in each of these countries, and pay close attention to the impact the Holocaust has had on immigration of Jews living inside and outside of Israel.

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