



DIPLOMA SUPPLEMENT

Higher Education System in Israel

Degrees

Higher education in Israel is a three-tiered system offering Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degree programs. Programs granting Bachelor's degrees (e.g., BA, BSc, BSN, BSW) usually last three or four years. Completion of this first degree qualifies students for admission to subsequent degree programs. Master's degree programs generally last two years and offer a thesis or non-thesis tracks. Students who complete a Master's degree with a research track are eligible for admission to Doctorate programs. Each university determines additional admissions requirements. Doctorate programs generally last four to six years and are offered in various disciplines.

Access to Higher Education

Israeli institutes of higher education generally require a matriculation diploma and a standardized psychometric examination. The exact requirements vary depending on the institution and field of study. Programs may have additional requirements such as entrance interviews, examinations, or artistic portfolios. Admission requirements for all programs are determined on a competitive basis by the institution and are approved by Israel's Council for Higher Education (CHE).

Types of Higher Education Institutions

Israel has 61 academic institutions: nine universities (including the Open University) and 31 academic colleges that award Bachelor's and Master's degrees. Currently, only research universities offer research PhD degrees.

Government Agencies

The Council for Higher Education (CHE), established according to the Council for Higher Education Act 1958, is the regulatory body responsible for the academic aspects of all institutions of higher education in Israel. According to the Council for Higher Education Act, higher education institutions are accredited by the Quality Assessment Division of the CHE at the study program level in universities and colleges.



Ruppin Academic Center

With 5000 students, Ruppin Academic Center (RAC) is one of the largest public colleges in Israel. It was established in 1949 by Israel's first Prime Minister, David Ben Gurion.

Today, RAC awards 21 undergraduate (BA, BSc, BSN, BSW) and graduate degrees (MA, MBA, MSc) in Marine Sciences, Engineering, Social and Community Sciences, Economics and Management. RAC offers innovative study programs committed to developing knowledge and professional competencies that address Israel's most vital social and economic challenges.

Ruppin Academic Center has been consistently awarded top ratings in satisfaction surveys conducted among Israel's higher education student population.

The Ruppin Academic Center has four faculties:

The Faculty of Economics and Business Administration awards BA degrees in Economics and Accounting, Economics and Management, Business Administration, and a Global Master's in Business Administration (MBA).

The Faculty of Social and Community Sciences awards Bachelor's degrees in Behavioral Sciences (BA), Nursing Sciences (BSN), and Social Work (BSW) and Master's degrees in Immigration and Social Integration, Organizational Psychology, Clinical Psychology (with thesis), and Clinical Psychology of Adulthood and Aging.

The Faculty of Engineering awards BSc degrees in Industrial Engineering and Management, Computer Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Computer and Information Sciences, and MA degrees in Logistics and Global Supply Chain.

The Faculty of Marine Sciences awards BSc degrees in Marine Environmental Sciences and Marine Biotechnology, Master's degrees in Marine Resource Management and MSc degree in Marine Sciences (with thesis).



The Faculty of Social & Community Sciences provides a broad learning experience, equipping students with professional and academic tools for the job market or subsequent studies. All the Faculty's programs strive to promote and develop four main aspects: a multidisciplinary approach, sensitivity and social involvement, academic distinction, and academic research.

The Faculty has seven academic programs, three for undergraduate and four for Master's degrees. The Behavioral Sciences Department gives students a broad education in psychology, sociology, and anthropology. The department offers the Alonim Honors Program for outstanding students. The Nursing Sciences Department trains students to work in nursing based on systematic and critical thinking principles and maintaining personal and professional responsibility for the quality of the healthcare provided. The Social Work Department is based on the core values of the social work profession and the rules of professional ethics in intervention, treatment, and research, including social justice, human rights, social responsibility, reciprocity, respect for diversity, and equality.

The Master's degree programs include Clinical Psychology with thesis, Clinical Psychology of Adulthood and Aging, Organizational Psychology, and Immigration and Social Integration. The Clinical Psychology Program trains students to diagnose patients based on dynamic diagnostic processes and formulate a treatment plan tailored to patients and their circumstances by using a variety of evidence-based therapeutic approaches and considering cultural and social factors. The Clinical Psychology of Adulthood and Aging Program provides clinical psychology training with an additional specialization in the "third age". The Organizational Psychology Program develops students' organizational abilities. It prepares them to work as organizational consultants, evaluators, researchers, training, and organizational development personnel. The Immigration and Social Integration Program introduces the complexity of Israeli society and its various immigrant groups and provides them with the ability to function in different multicultural environments while mastering cultural competence skills.



Graduates (MA) in Immigration and Social Integration - Profile

Graduates of the program will:

- Have in-depth knowledge on the complexity of Israeli society and its various immigrant groups; understand multicultural environments and have acquired tools to deal with them; have skills in cultural competence.
- Have in-depth knowledge of current theories and models drawn from a variety of disciplines (sociology, psychology, education, economics, law, and political science) as they pertain to the field of immigration; be able to apply these theories and models while working on issues of social integration and among immigrant groups in society.
- Have in-depth knowledge of international as well as Israeli immigration policies; be able to examine government policies critically and evaluate their consequences for society.
- Be able to apply their knowledge in the field through interventions in the field of immigration and social integration.
- Be able to conduct quantitative and qualitative empirical research that includes developing research tools, collecting data using methods such as interviews and surveys, processing and analyzing data, and writing reports and research papers based on the data.
- Be competent in team work and the management of professional working relationships.