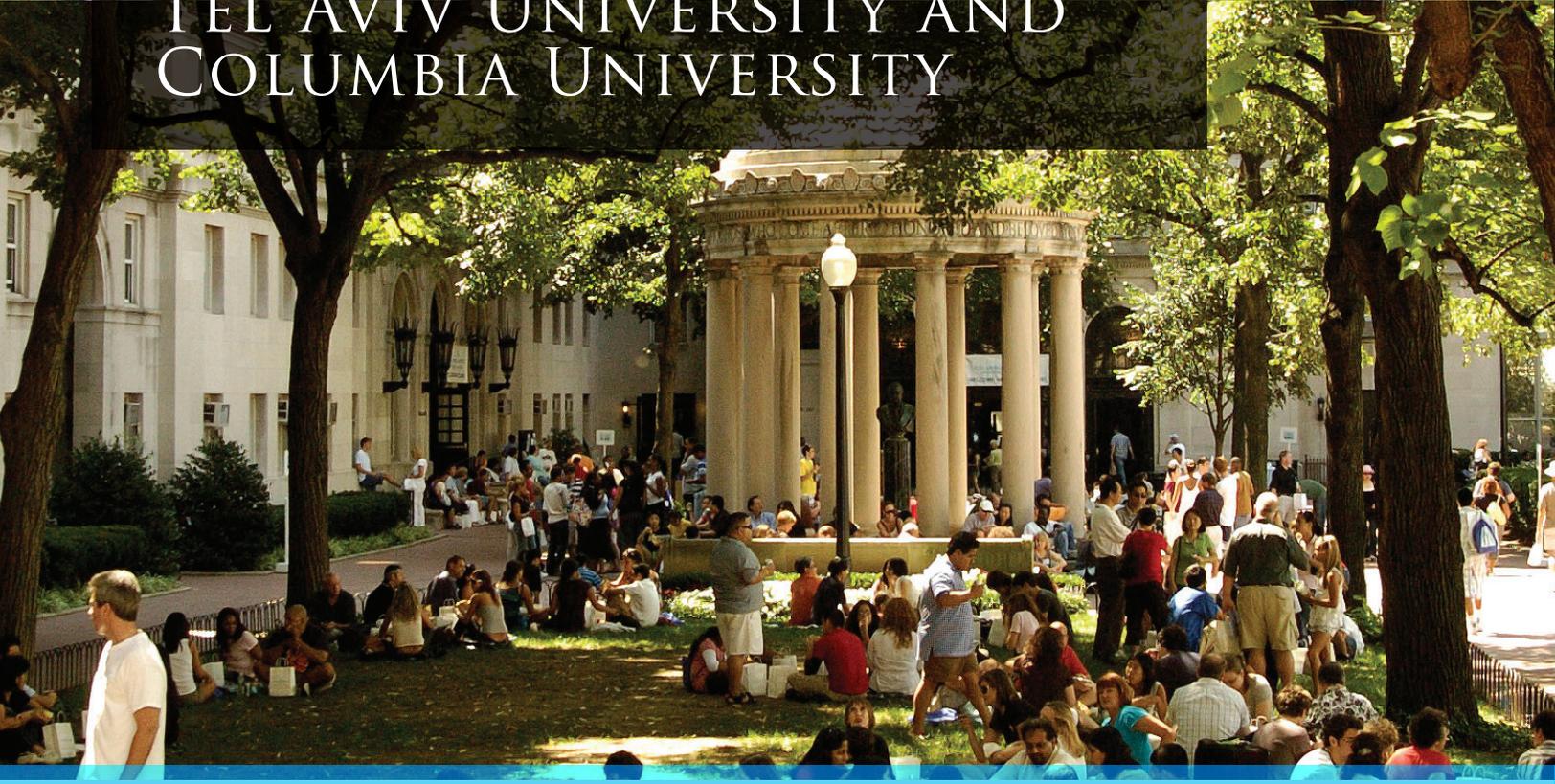




DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM BETWEEN
**TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY AND
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DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM



The Dual Degree Program between Tel Aviv University and Columbia University offers students the opportunity to combine world-renowned academics with mind-opening experiences with a program spanning two continents, in two cosmopolitan cities.

NON-STOP DISCOVERY MEETS ACADEMIC INNOVATION



This multidisciplinary educational experience, focused in the humanities and social sciences, provides students with a strong liberal arts education while empowering them to succeed in an increasingly complex and fast-changing world.

Dual Degree students are exposed to a broad range of disciplines while engaging in in-depth study in their chosen academic field. The program invites students to develop their intellectual agility, critical thinking skills, and creativity; and to empower themselves with the ethical sensibilities necessary for living in today's complex societies.



As a Dual Degree Program student, you will begin your college education in the international liberal arts program at Tel Aviv University, and have the opportunity to immerse yourself in two elite research universities whose academic, social, and cultural environments allow students to take advantage of the best that both cities have to offer.

TWO UNIVERSITIES, TWO DEGREES, FOUR YEARS

Campuses

ISRAEL

Formed in 1956 when the Academic Institute of Natural Sciences, the Tel Aviv School of Law and Economics, and the Academic Institute of Jewish Studies joined together, Tel Aviv University is Israel's largest and most comprehensive institution of higher learning; it is home to over 30,000 students studying in 9 faculties and over 125 schools and departments across the spectrum of sciences, humanities and the arts. TAU is consistently ranked in the top 20 in the world in terms of scientific citations and among the top 100 universities internationally.

Situated in Tel Aviv, Israel's cultural, financial, and technological capital, TAU shares the city's unshakable spirit of openness and innovation—and boasts a campus life as dynamic and pluralistic as the metropolis itself. The city and the university are one and the same—a thriving Mediterranean center of diversity and discovery.

NEW YORK

Founded in 1754 as King's College, Columbia University in the City

of New York is the fifth oldest institution of higher learning in the United States and one of the world's leading research centers. Located in the Morningside Heights neighborhood on Manhattan's Upper West Side, the Columbia campus was designed to be an urban academic village that offers students the opportunity to dedicate themselves to an academic life in the middle of New York City. Columbia seeks to advance the frontiers of knowledge and to foster a campus community deeply engaged in understanding and addressing the complex global issues of our time through its mission of educating students to be both leading scholars and informed, engaged citizens.

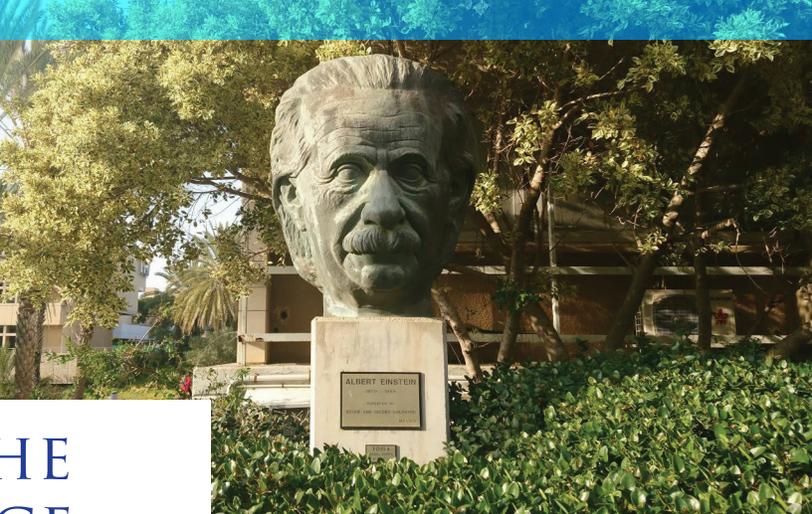
Founded in 1947, in large part to accommodate the wave of veterans returning from World War II, the School of General Studies (GS) is the liberal arts college at Columbia created specifically for students with nontraditional backgrounds who seek a traditional education at an Ivy League university.

Accommodation

Students in the program are guaranteed access to housing at both TAU and Columbia.

Advising

Dedicated Dual Degree Program advisors from both TAU and Columbia will be assigned to you at the start of the program to guide you through your academic and student life. Advisors provide academic guidance and support as you pursue your goals in two distinct academic settings. You will meet with both advisors regularly during your time in the program, both in Tel Aviv and New York. Arriving on the Columbia campus for the second phase of the program, students will continue working with the same advisor through the Office of the Dean of Students at GS. Advisors serve as students' primary link to GS throughout the program, providing guidance on University as well as GS-specific policies and procedures.



RE-ENVISIONING THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

Academics

Dual Degree Program students will earn two bachelor's degrees—one from Tel Aviv University and one from Columbia University. The first two years at TAU consist of 80 credits of which students may transfer in up to 60 eligible points toward their degree requirements to Columbia. After completing their second year at TAU, students matriculate at the Columbia University School of General Studies (GS) where they will further their studies, choosing from Columbia's liberal arts majors. Students will complete at least 64 Columbia points toward their chosen major and Core requirements, 40 of which will be counted toward completion of their TAU degree requirements.

Years One and Two: Available Academic Tracks at Tel Aviv University

- Digital Culture and Communication
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation*
- Life Sciences**
- Literature
- Middle Eastern Studies
- Jewish and Israel Studies
- Philosophy
- Psychology

* Entrepreneurship and Innovation (not offered as a major)

** Life Sciences (major can only be completed via related coursework at Columbia University)

Years Three and Four: Sample Majors at Columbia University

- Biology
- Computer Science
- Creative Writing
- Earth Studies
- Economics
- English
- Film and Media
- Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies





EMBARK ON THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME

Program Tuition & Fees

Students will pay tuition to the institution that they are currently attending.

TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY

Tuition at TAU is billed annually and tuition and fees are determined based on 2020-2021 academic year.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Tuition is billed per credit hour, with full time enrollment being 12 or more credits per semester and total fees vary based on enrollment status. Regardless of citizenship or residency status, all students pay the same tuition rate.

Tuition and Financial Aid

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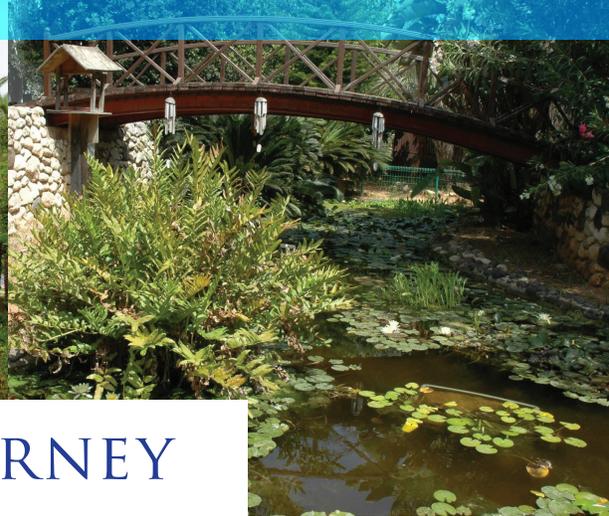
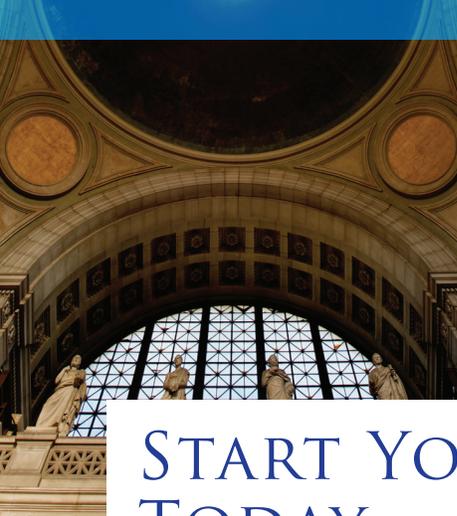
TAU offers a number of scholarship opportunities for prospective and current students from around the world.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dual Degree Program students will be eligible to apply for School of General Studies scholarships for years three and four. Eligible students may also apply for US Federal Student Aid (Title IV) for all four years of the program by completing the FAFSA using code 002707.

For more information about the cost of attendance and specific tuition rates for both TAU and Columbia University, visit the Dual Degree Program website: tau.gs.columbia.edu.





START YOUR GLOBAL JOURNEY TODAY

Information Sessions

Information Sessions led by admissions representatives from Columbia University School of General Studies and Tel Aviv University are held around the world, on Tel Aviv's campus in Israel, and at Columbia's Morningside Campus in New York City.

Visit tau.gs.columbia.edu/admissions for details.

Applying

Applicants to the Dual Degree Program apply by January 2 for fall enrollment. The admissions process includes a review of the applicant's academic history, letters of recommendation, standardized test scores, a personal essay, and an interview conducted in English. Applications will be reviewed by a joint committee featuring admissions representatives from both Columbia and TAU.

Israeli students applying to the program must also apply to TAU using the PET.

Students may not apply simultaneously to the Dual BA Program and other undergraduate schools or programs, including other international dual degree programs at Columbia University (Columbia-Sciences Po Dual BA Program, Columbia-Trinity College Dublin Dual BA Program, Columbia College [CC] or The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science [SEAS]). Nor are candidates eligible to apply to the School of General Studies, including the Dual Degree Program, if in the last three years they applied to any of these divisions and were not accepted.

Interviews

Applicants will receive an update on their application status in late February-early March. Those invited for an interview will be prompted to schedule a time to meet with the admissions committee either in person or via teleconference in New York or Tel Aviv. Interviews are typically 30 minutes in length and are

conducted by a joint interview panel comprised of representatives from both Columbia and TAU. Interviews are scheduled on a case-by-case basis by the admissions committee. It is not possible for applicants to request an interview independent of the committee's invitation.

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Whether their passions lie in the humanities, natural sciences, or social sciences, the Dual Degree Program offers students the opportunity to engage in the study of their chosen fields with world-renowned faculty on both sides of the Atlantic and to immerse themselves in two distinct academic, social, and cultural environments.

These programs combine a strong academic foundation in the first year, with specializations for a degree tailor-made to students' interests. In the classroom, students will learn from professors and researchers with years of experience teaching and debate issues with other talented, motivated students from around the world.





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