



# Tel Aviv University Undergraduate Degrees

UNDERGRADUATE | ACADEMIC INTEGRATION TRACKS | SUMMER | HEBREW



# About Tel Aviv University

**Tel Aviv University (TAU),  
Israel's largest and most  
comprehensive institution  
of higher learning, is home  
to over 30,000 students  
studying in nine faculties and  
over 130 schools and departments across  
sciences, humanities, and the arts.**

Situated in Tel Aviv, Israel's cultural, commercial, and creative center, TAU shares the Mediterranean city's spirit for non-stop discovery, innovation, and community, making it the perfect place for learning and pursuing your passions.

Tel Aviv University is home to over 2500 international students from nearly 100 countries, making it truly international and global.



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Choice among  
israeli students

#7

Of the top 10  
universities producing  
VC-backed entrepreneurs

#20

Faculty  
citation impact

#6

In the world for  
graduate-established  
"unicorn" companies  
worth \$1 billion

100

Top 100 innovation  
university

#5

World ranking  
for entrepreneurship





# Tel Aviv the Non-Stop City



What the  
experts say about  
Tel Aviv?

*Top 10 start-up  
ecosystems*

Venture Beat

*Capital of  
Mediterranean cool*

New York Times

*Top 10 beaches*

National Geographic





# Studying at



## **A prestigious, globally recognized credential that opens doors to graduate studies or professional careers**

Many of our alumni are thriving at top graduate programs and leading companies in the US and around the world.

## **An affordable, academically rigorous, and exciting alternative to traditional US options**

Tuition fees at TAU compare favorably to those at US universities.

## **Unrivalled networking and internship opportunities**

in a vibrant high-tech city and a startup hub.

## **A faster route to earning your degree**

TAU's three-year BA program allows you to complete your degree in less time than most US universities, while maintaining full equivalency to a U.S. four-year program.

## **An international community of like-minded people**

Our community leaders will support you and cheer you on, every step of the way.

## **Access to top-notch facilities**

TAU's stunning campus houses nine faculties, 130 schools, over 400 labs, a state-of-the art sports complex, museums, art galleries, cafes and food trucks, a synagogue, and more.

# Tel Aviv University



If you are  
ready for non-stop  
discovery in one of  
the most exciting cities  
in the world, Tel Aviv  
University is your  
destination!







# Our Undergraduate Degrees at TAU

**Recognized for its academic excellence, practical focus, and global perspective, an undergraduate degree from TAU serves as the ideal launchpad for your career success.**



Discover





**The BA in Management & Liberal Arts will provide you with a relevant, comprehensive education in management and entrepreneurship studies, combined with a rich foundation in the humanities and social sciences.**

Offered as a joint program by Tel Aviv University's management and humanities faculties, this degree will give you a competitive advantage in the global job market that values employees with multidisciplinary academic training.



*At TAU, you have the opportunity to be part of something meaningful and still get the education that you're looking for—with all of the aspects of the American-style education of having so many classes to choose from and a great community.*

*Kayla Goldberger, BA in Mgmt & Liberal Arts*

## Structure

- Core Courses in Management and Liberal Arts
- Entrepreneurship Electives
- Choose **two tracks** out of the following
  - Psychology
  - Middle Eastern Studies
  - Modern Jewish and Israel Studies
  - Digital Culture and Communications
  - Philosophy
  - Literature
  - Data Science (Subject to opening)
- Internship (optional)
- Semester Abroad (optional)

**Duration:** 3 years

**Tuition:** 17,500 USD per year (includes health insurance and facility fees)

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## SOFAER GLOBAL MBA FAST TRACK

**Start your MBA before you graduate.  
Earn two degrees in four years.**

\* This option is offered to honors students.

# LIBERAL ARTS

**The BA in Liberal Arts is a multidisciplinary program, which provides a strong liberal arts education, empowering you to succeed in an increasingly diverse, complex, and fast-changing world.**

This program offers a broad selection of courses in the humanities, social sciences, and entrepreneurship and innovation. As a student on the program you will receive a personalized education in a truly international setting.



*Having the opportunity to build my own curriculum, with classes covering climate change, psychology, entrepreneurship, history and so many other fields fills me with satisfaction.*

*Thais Hannecker, BA in Liberal Arts*

## Structure

### Core Courses

- A series of introductory courses intended to acquaint students with major academic fields and approaches.
- Focus your studies by choosing **four of the following academic tracks**:
  - Psychology
  - Middle Eastern Studies
  - Modern Jewish and Israel Studies
  - Digital Culture and Communications
  - Philosophy
  - Literature
  - Entrepreneurship and Innovation
  - Data Science (Subject to opening)

**Duration:** 3 years

**Tuition:** 15,500 USD per year (includes health insurance and facility fees)

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[https://international.tau.ac.il/Liberal\\_Arts](https://international.tau.ac.il/Liberal_Arts)



# DUAL DEGREE IN LIBERAL ARTS

**The BA Dual Degree program with Columbia University is for those of you looking for a unique and mind-opening international educational experience. This dynamic program spans two continents and two cosmopolitan cities, and will enhance your global outlook while helping you develop both language and communication skills at the highest academic level.**

Experience the rare opportunity to immerse yourself in two distinct academic, social, and cultural settings unique to each institution. The first two years are spent in Tel Aviv and the final two, in the heart of New York City.

## WITH COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY



*When I decided to go to college in Israel I definitely expected it to be at a different level than what an American University experience would be like both academically and just socially, but I've been so pleasantly surprised from my first day arriving on campus—it's just blown away my expectations of what an Israeli college experience could be like.*

*Joe Block, BA Dual Degree in Liberal Arts*

### Structure

#### Years 1 + 2 at TAU

- A series of introductory courses designed to familiarize you with key academic fields and methodologies.
- Focus your studies by choosing **four of the following academic tracks:**
  - Psychology
  - Middle Eastern Studies
  - Modern Jewish and Israel Studies
  - Digital Culture and Communications
  - Philosophy
  - Literature
  - Entrepreneurship and Innovation
  - Data Science (Subject to opening)

#### Years 3 + 4 at Columbia University's School of General Studies

Study from the core curriculum at Columbia University's School of General Studies and choose a liberal arts major such as:

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



**Duration:** 4 years

(2 years at Tel Aviv University and 2 years at Columbia University)

**Tuition:**

- 15,500 USD per years 1 and 2 at TAU (includes health insurance and facility fees)
- Columbia tuition for Years 3 and 4

**Admissions through Columbia's School of General Studies:**

**Email:** [tau-dualdegree@columbia.edu](mailto:tau-dualdegree@columbia.edu)

**Tel:** +1 (212) 854-2772

<https://tau.gs.columbia.edu/content/about-dual-degree-program>





# THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

**The BMus at the Buchmann-Mehta School of Music offers the opportunity to outstanding international students to study with renowned music professionals and gain valuable concert experience.**

This tuition-free program also provides a housing scholarship and a stipend to a limited number of students who demonstrate exceptional level of performance.

To apply, it is necessary to perform an audition and pass a music theory exam.



*The Buchmann-Mehta School of Music is the most welcoming one you can imagine. The wonderful practice facilities alongside with the generous financial aid the students receive are extremely important for us musicians. The members of the staff and faculty at the school are real professionals, but also very warm-hearted—they always take care of their students and help in any possible matter.*

*Illia Ovcharenko, Award-winning pianist,  
BMus in The School of Music*

## Structure

The BMus program is a performance-based curriculum that comprises the following fields of study:

- Individual Lessons
- Music Workshops
- Theoretical Courses
- Internal Elective Courses
- External Elective Courses

**Duration:** 4 years

**Tuition:** free tuition for international students.

Additional housing and cost of living scholarships for exceptional applicants

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[https://international.tau.ac.il/bmsm\\_program\\_ba](https://international.tau.ac.il/bmsm_program_ba)



## **Academic integration tracks offer a distinctive educational path, allowing new olim to start their studies in English and complete them in Hebrew.**

Run in cooperation with the Israel Student Authority, these programs include English-taught classes for the first year or two years, along with intensive Hebrew language studies.

\* Eligible students receive funding from the Israeli Student Authority to cover part of the tuition fees. Hebrew classes are fully funded, and there is also an option to receive a dormitory allowance, subject to eligibility restrictions.

The tracks are designed to support olim students or students wishing to complete their degree in Hebrew.

Psychometric test results are not required for admission.

\* Upon approval by the Student Authority

**Admissions are handled through the Israeli Student Authority.**

### **More information:**

<https://govextra.gov.il/moia/academic-programs-in-english/home/>

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## **Tracks offered at Tel Aviv University:**

### **BSc in Electrical Engineering**

Students take a preparatory year in English before being formally admitted into the Electrical Engineering / Mechanical Engineering BSc program taught in Hebrew.

#### **In this preparatory year, you will study:**

- Advance-level Hebrew
- Technical courses in English: Calculus 2, Linear Algebra, and Classical Mechanics for Electrical Engineering

Upon passing each of the courses in the preparatory year with the required grade and GPA, students can be admitted into the regular-track BSc program taught in Hebrew.

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### **BA in Management and Liberal Arts**

Students enroll in the English-taught BA in Management and Liberal Arts and take the required program courses as well as Hebrew classes during their first year. After passing the Hebrew proficiency exam, students transfer to the Hebrew-taught BA in Management & Liberal Arts.

#### **Contact:**

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**More information:** <https://govextra.gov.il/moia/academic-programs-in-english/home/tel-aviv-university-management-and-liberal-arts/>

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# Other Programs You Might Be Interested In

## LEARNING HEBREW

**Students interested in Hebrew can take language courses through the Hebrew Ulpan, available year-round at an additional cost.**

In certain tracks, like Middle Eastern Studies or Modern Jewish and Israel Studies (within the Liberal Arts BA), up to four semesters of Hebrew are covered by the program.

**More information:**

[https://international.tau.ac.il/Intensive\\_Hebrew\\_Ulpan](https://international.tau.ac.il/Intensive_Hebrew_Ulpan)

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## SUMMER PROGRAMS

**In addition to our degree courses, you can enroll in TAU's short-term programs to study Hebrew, English, or Yiddish, do a summer internship, or take a course in Middle East & Israel Studies.**

**More information:**

[https://international.tau.ac.il/summer\\_institute](https://international.tau.ac.il/summer_institute)

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# Life on Campus

**Student life at The Lowy International School extends beyond the classroom—you can immerse yourself in a dynamic setting of Israeli and campus life.**

Our Community Leaders support students throughout their journey at TAU and empower them to develop their initiatives. This includes orientation on student arrival as well as an impressive range of extracurricular and cultural activities.



## STUDENT CLUBS

- TAU Model UN
- Ambassadors Club
- Student Council
- Ignite Entrepreneurship Club
- TAU Student Buddies
- Coller International Club
- Running Club / Dance Club / Debate

\* Clubs may change subject to student initiatives

## ACTIVITIES

- Pizza & Movie nights
- Thanksgiving
- Walking tours of Tel Aviv and Jaffa
- Meetings with IDF student soldiers
- International Week
- Hanu-Christmas
- Fourth of July
- Shabbat dinners
- AI and Cyber Weeks

## JEWISH LIFE ON CAMPUS

### Food

All food on campus is kosher-certified. There is a wide choice of meat, milk, and vegetarian options.

### Dorms

There is a Shabbat key to gain entrance to the dorms on Shabbat without using an electronic chip or card. Lights turn on automatically in the hallway, which is permissible and one does not need to worry about these lights on Shabbat. All students may request a mezuzah from maintenance.

### Rabbi on Campus

TAU's on-site rabbinic couple, Eitan and Elana Philips have created a caring and inclusive environment for students wishing to observe a religious life on campus or learn more about Judaism. Their home, located just steps from the university, has become a hub for social activities, religious studies, and community building.

#### More information:

[https://international.tau.ac.il/Religious\\_life\\_campus](https://international.tau.ac.il/Religious_life_campus)



*There's no shortage of supply of infrastructure for Jewish students. Everything on campus is kosher, there are three minyanim a day at the on-campus synagogue, and there's no class ever on a Jewish holiday or on Shabbat.*

*Benny Attar, BA Dual Degree in Liberal Arts*

## ARRIVAL & STAY

### Dorms

TAU offers on-campus housing for international students at the Einstein and Broshim dormitories, which are both a short walk from campus.

There are a variety of options, from shared rooms to private apartments, all equipped with basic amenities. All dorms are gated and have 24/7 security.

Lowy International's housing prices include all bills and fees, i.e. electricity and water bills, city tax, and VAT.

Housing ranges from 700 USD to 1,250 USD per month (no meal plan).

#### **More information:**

<https://international.tau.ac.il/housing/>

### Visas

International students generally must obtain an A/2 student visa to study in Israel, which can be secured through the nearest Israeli consulate. The Lowy International School provides guidance on this process.

Student visas generally do not permit students to work while studying, although some internships or part-time jobs may be allowed with special permission.

#### **More information:**

<https://international.tau.ac.il/passport-visa>

If you plan to make Aliyah, contact Nefesh'b'Nefesh ([www.nbn.org.il](http://www.nbn.org.il)) for detailed information on the process.

### Health Insurance

All international students are required to have health insurance, and TAU offers a comprehensive, sponsored health insurance plan through a local provider. This plan covers medical services, including doctor visits, hospitalizations and prescriptions.

Health insurance may be included in the tuition package for international students, though please check with your program coordinator to ensure this is the case.

**More information:** <https://international.tau.ac.il/health-insurance-healthcare>

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND PAYMENT OPTIONS

TAU tuition is significantly less expensive than US universities. Students can complete their undergraduate degree in three years and may continue directly to a master's program, completing both degrees in a total of four years.

#### **There are many scholarships available:**

- The Lowy International Scholarship
- MASA scholarships
- Israeli Student Authority scholarships (for Olim)
  - Israeli Government grants (e.g. for military service) or any other funds in NIS
- External scholarships
- Your home school's financial aid

#### **More information:**

[https://international.tau.ac.il/scholarship\\_programs](https://international.tau.ac.il/scholarship_programs)

#### **Payment options:**

- Bank / personal check
- Federal loans (US and Canada)
- VA benefits (US)
- 529 Plans: Tel Aviv University is an approved US 529 College Savings Plan institution
- State of Israel Bonds
- Deferred Payment Plan

**More information:** [https://international.tau.ac.il/making\\_payments](https://international.tau.ac.il/making_payments)

# UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- A high school transcript GPA of 3.0 (minimum)
- English proficiency requirement
- Personal essay (not required for the Music BMus)
- Two letters of recommendation (not required for the Music BMus)
- CV
- Copy of valid passport
- Passport-style photo that will be used for your student ID card

ACTs and SATs are optional for TAU's Liberal Arts and Management and Liberal Arts BA programs. They are not required for the Music BMus.

Application fee (non-refundable): \$150

**Important:** Admissions to the Dual Degree Liberal Arts BA are through Columbia's School of Graduate Studies

Check additional requirements for each program on the website: [international.tau.ac.il](http://international.tau.ac.il)

## Transfer Options

TAU welcomes transfer students who are currently enrolled in undergraduate programs at their home universities.

### How to transfer to TAU

- Choose the undergraduate program best aligned with your interests
- Contact the program manager via email, attaching your most recent academic transcript

Transfer credits are evaluated on a case-by-case basis, considering factors such as the level and content of courses, accreditation of the previous institution, and grades achieved.

Transfer credits can be granted provided

- the courses align with TAU's curriculum,
- were taken at a recognized institution within 5 years before transfer to TAU,
- meet a minimum grade requirement

The maximum number of credits that may be transferred:

- Liberal Arts BA: Up to 65%
- Management and Liberal Arts BA: Up to 50%

TAU evaluates transcripts and may also grant transfer credits for coursework from GAP year programs or in certain cases from AP or IB courses provided all the requirements are met.

**More information:** <https://international.tau.ac.il/transfer-students>







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