

Summer Language Programs 2013 - Haifa, Israel

- · Intensive Hebrew Ulpan
- · Intensive Arabic Program

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# Welcome

# to the University of Haifa

"I really enjoy the program for several reasons. I appreciate the high level of academics and that the program is very well organized. Although the class is difficult, it is also challenging. Everyone is very professional, but best of all, the staff is very happy to help and is very friendly and there is a very welcoming spirit.

This is very important when you are coming to a strange place." (Lars, Denmark)

Situated at the top of the Carmel Mountain, amidst the Carmel National Forest, with breathtaking views of the Mediterranean Sea, the University of Haifa provides the perfect setting for your summer language learning experience. The University of Haifa is one of Israel's seven research universities and is a microcosm of Israeli society, dedicated to academic excellence and social responsibility.



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# Live the Language

This summer, we will once again offer students the opportunity to participate in our outstanding language programs:

- · Intensive Hebrew Summer Ulpan in July and August
- Intensive Arabic Language Program in July and August

Over the course of a single summer, participants will be able to meet and learn about Israeli society and culture in an entirely new way. Our programs emphasize a unique combination of academic learning and social experiences.

Haifa is the ideal urban setting for a vibrant academic center. Located on the beautiful Mediterranean Sea, Haifa is marked by an exciting multiculturalism. Long known for its ethnic and religious tolerance, life in the city offers its inhabitants and visitors alike a mosaic of cultural events: concerts, theater, museums, clubs, cafes and beaches along the golden Mediterranean coastline.

Popular tourist sites such as the Sea of Galilee, Golan Heights, Nazareth, Tel Aviv and Ierusalem are all within reach of a bus ride.

We invite you to the University of Haifa to expand your knowledge and explore an Israel you never knew existed!



# **Intensive Hebrew Summer Ulpan**

Intensive Hebrew Ulpan - Session I: July 8 - August 1, 2013 Intensive Hebrew Ulpan - Session II: August 5 - August 29, 2013

"The Ulpan at the University of Haifa was a unique and wonderful experience; it was great to learn more about Israel and the people who live there, to learn Hebrew and to meet people from all over the world at the same time." (Sabina B., Switzerland)

Join the hundreds of students who have participated in the renowned Intensive Hebrew Ulpan. The Ulpan is divided into two four-week sessions. You can decide to come for one of the four-week sessions or both. Either way, be prepared for a summer experience you will never forget!

The Summer Ulpan brings together students from over 40 countries that have come to immerse themselves in an intensive Hebrew language experience. Each Ulpan session offers a full range of studies at fourteen different levels of proficiency, from elementry to advanced. Students will be placed in the appropriate level based on a Hebrew placement exam.

Classes are held Sunday through Thursday mornings (and occasionally on Fridays) for five academic hours per day. A variety of learning tools are used for full experiential language acquisition including labs, computer and video sessions as well as Israeli media outlets.

Students receive a great deal of personal attention from our exceptional Ulpan staff. Each four-week Ulpan session awards five academic credits.



An afternoon homework club is offered throughout the summer that gives students the opportunity to receive extra help with their studies from local, native Hebrew-speaking students.

#### Experience Israel as an Israeli

At the University of Haifa International School, we also place a special emphasis on what happens after class is over for the day. A rich program of social activities, including trips, tours, lectures and cultural celebrations provides the perfect framework for forming long-lasting relationships with other students from around the world. Each session begins with a tour of Haifa and the university campus, followed by an opening celebration. Throughout the session, our dedicated social activities coordinators ('madrichim') will guide students through their Israel experience, with a rich program of afternoon tours, day hikes and Shabbat experiences.

Students will also have the opportunity to attend lectures given by University of Haifa faculty on political, cultural, religious and social issues in Israel.



# **Intensive Arabic Program**

Modern Standard Arabic I: July 8 - August 1, 2013 Modern Standard Arabic II: August 5 - August 29, 2013

Haifa, with its large Christian and Muslim Arab population, provides the perfect setting for Arabic language studies. The University of Haifa, reflecting the cultural mosaic of Haifa, is a multicultural institution in which students benefit from many opportunities for cultural immersion.

The Intensive Arabic Language Programs are four-week modular courses, based on Modern Standard Arabic (the written language). The July session will be taught at two elementary levels. The August session will also offer an intermediate level. Students are required to complete a placement exam in advance.

Classes meet four days a week, six hours each day. In order to provide an opportunity for students to practice speaking Arabic and immerse in the culture, students will go on weekly academic field trips to locations of interest in Arab communities in the northern parts of Israel.

The Arabic Language Program awards five academic credits .

An afternoon homework club is available for students who are interested in receiving extra help with their studies from local, native Arabic-speaking students.

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#### Immerse into Local Culture

The Intensive Arabic Program enjoys the same rich program of extra-curricular activities as the Hebrew Ulpan. Activities begin with a tour of Haifa and the university campus. A full program of social activities, including trips, tours, lectures and cultural celebrations provides the perfect framework for forming longlasting relationships with other students from around the world. Our dedicated social activities coordinators ('madrichim') will guide students through their Israel experience, through a rich program of afternoon tours, day hikes and Shabbat experiences.



## **General Information**

#### Social and Cultural Activities

While we know that your reason for choosing the University of Haifa is the desire for a challenging academic experience, we want to provide you with the opportunity to explore and understand Israel as much as possible. For this reason, we offer a complete program of social and cultural activities to enable you to immerse yourselves into Israeli society and culture.

All social activities planned by the International School are included in the tuition fee, so we encourage you to take advantage of them all.

Activities throughout the summer months include, but are not limited to: Haifa city tour and nightlife outing, Israeli movie nights, Kabbalat Shabbat, Israeli dancing, trips to Caesara, Tel Aviv, Tzfat, Acre and Jerusalem, hiking in the Upper Galilee, Wadi Siah and the Rosh Hanikra Grottoes.

For details and past itineraries, please see our website: www.uhaifa.org







#### Eligibility

The Intensive Language Programs are open to students who are high school graduates and above the age of 18, as well as adults interested in expanding their knowledge of a foreign language.

#### **Application Procedures**

Students should apply through our online application system on our website at www.uhaifa.org. All students will be asked to submit an application form, medical forms, six passport-sized photos, health insurance form and an \$80 application fee.



## **General Information**

#### **Application Deadlines\***

Hebrew Ulpan Session I (July): May 1, 2013 Hebrew Ulpan Session II (August): June 1, 2013 Arabic Language Program (July): May 1, 2013 Arabic Language Program (August): June 1, 2013

\*We are happy to consider late applications on a space-available basis.

Upon acceptance to the program, students must reserve their place with a non-refundable deposit of \$250, which will be deducted from their tuition. All remaining tuition fees as well as housing fees must be paid in full two weeks before the beginning of the program. Fees may be paid either with a personal, bank, or traveler's check, in cash, or via bank transfer. Fees can be paid in U.S. Dollars or the equivalent amount in Euro. Currently, the University of Haifa is unable to accept payments via credit card.

#### **Tuition**

Program	Tuition	Dormitories	
		Single	Double
One Language Session	\$1250	\$472	\$330
Two Language Sessions	\$1800	\$944	\$660





#### Housing

All participants in the summer programs may live in the university dormitories provided they request a room on their application forms. The University of Haifa offers two types of dormitories:

**Federman Dormitories** — modest apartments of three double rooms with a shared kitchen, living space, and bathroom

**Talia Dormitories** – spacious apartments of six single rooms, each with its own bathroom, a shared kitchen and living space

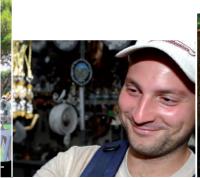
The dormitory campus includes a TV and clubroom, laundry facilities and a grocery store. All public spaces at the dormitories have WIFI Internet connections. Kosher cafeterias and snack bars are located on campus. Students can move into the dormitories one day prior to the start of the session, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

#### Health Insurance

Health insurance through the Harel-Yedidim Insurance Agency is included in the tuition fee for all students up to the age of 65 and does not cover pre-existing conditions. Students with pre-existing conditions and senior students will be required to arrange for separate health insurance for the length of their studies in Haifa.

#### Security

The safety and security of all students are primary concerns of the University of Haifa. All campus and dormitory entrances are guarded and all off-campus activities are organized and run in consultation with the relevant security authorities. The University of Haifa has a crisis management and evacuation plan in place. Additional information can be provided upon request.









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