About Bar-Ilan University

Bar-Ilan University, one of Israel’s leading institutions of higher education, uniquely combines cutting-edge scientific research with education steeped in Jewish values and social responsibility. Thousands of students pursue their BA, MA and PhD degrees on our award-winning Ramat Gan campus, and MDs at our School of Medicine in the Galilee; many more are enrolled in certificate and enrichment programs, including the largest in-service teacher training program in Israel.

A microcosm of Israeli society, BIU’s diverse student body includes both secular and religious; Jews and non-Jews; as well as new immigrants and international visitors. With tolerance and civility our operating code, the multicultural environment on campus provides a singular forum for free thought and exchange, open discussion and embrace of the “other.”

Facts & Figures

- **21,000** Academic Degree Students *
  - 17,000 on Ramat Gan and Safed campuses and 4,000 at regional colleges
- **4,800** Non-Degree Students in enrichment and certificate programs, continued education tracks and more
- **130,000** BIU Alumni making their mark on the Israeli economy and society
- **8** Faculties offering a wide range of academic disciplines in the Life Sciences, Exact Sciences, Medicine, Engineering, Social Sciences, Humanities, Jewish Studies, and Law
- **53** Departments & Interdisciplinary Study Programs, including Translation and Interpreting Studies, Biotechnology, Conflict Resolution and Negotiation, Logistics, Gender Studies, Jewish Art, Information Studies, Hermeneutics & Cultural Studies, Optometry & Vision Science, and more
- **50** Research Centers & Institutes in all disciplines
- **90** International Academic & Research Cooperation Agreements in collaboration with the world’s leading universities
- **300** Research Laboratories equipped with state-of-the-art instrumentation
- **29** Libraries
- **15** Clinics in Law, Psychology, Social Work and Optometry offering practical assistance to local residents and students in need

* As published by the Israeli Central Bureau of Statistics, 2016
The Bar-Ilan University campus is conveniently situated on Highway 4, easily accessible by car or public transportation from anywhere in Israel.

**Bus Lines**

**From Tel Aviv:** 145, 199, 18, 350, 143, 43, 168, 70, 161, 61, 45, 68, 69, 168, 70, 161, 45

**From Petach Tikva:** 280, 180, 187, 136, 87, 164, 292

**From Rehovot/Lod:** 244, 139, 264, 318, 164

**From Jerusalem:** 190, 199, 400, 401, 425

**From Netanya/Raanana/Herzliya:** 564, 170, 505, 618, 640, 620, 564

**From Beersheva:** 669, 356, 355, 315, 317

**From Modi’in:** 58, 202, 201

There are 8 entry gates around campus, and 4 public parking lots just outside the campus, located on Jabotinsky St., Anna and Max Webb St., and at the Wohl Centre across the street from campus.

A free (and environmentally friendly) shuttle service operates on campus throughout the day, ferrying students, faculty and visitors around the campus.

See Campus Map and Shuttle Route on pages 28-31.
Key Areas of Study

Science, Technology and Medicine:

The Faculty of Exact Sciences offers undergraduate and graduate study tracks in Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Computer Sciences and Biophysics.

The Mina and Everard Goodman Faculty of Life Science offers undergraduate and graduate programs in Optometry & Vision Science, a Genomics & Biomedical Informatics (BioMedIn) program for MD’s and researchers, and undergraduate and graduate studies in Biology, with such majors as Bioinformatics and Biotechnology.

The School of Engineering, a leader in high-tech R&D, offers two key undergraduate and graduate majors — Electrical Engineering and Computer Engineering.

The School of Medicine in the Galilee offers three study tracks: MSc in Medicine (with thesis), MD, and MD/PhD training for outstanding scientists in medical research.

Research Centers: Among BIU’s prominent research centers in these fields are the Bar-Ilan Institute for Nanotechnology and Advanced Materials (BINA), and the Leslie and Susan Gonda Multidisciplinary Brain Research Center, which also offers an undergraduate program.
Key Areas of Study

**Law, Society, Culture and Judaism:**

The **Faculty of Law** offers LLB and LLM programs, graduate law studies for non-legal practitioners, and a graduate program in Commercial and International Law, focusing on China and the Far East.

The **Faculty of Social Sciences** offers a variety of study tracks for all degrees, including Management, Logistics, Psychology, Sociology & Anthropology, Organizational Consulting, Economics, Political Studies, Radiology & Imaging, Geography & Environment, Education, Social Work, Business Administration, Accounting, Communication, Criminology, as well as unique graduate programs in Clinical Criminology and Social-Rehabilitation Criminology.

The **Faculty of Humanities** has a Department of Translation & Interpreting Studies. Other departments include Philosophy, Comparative Literature, Information Science, English Language, Literature & Linguistics, General History, Arabic, French Studies, Classical Studies, and Music. The faculty also offers an undergraduate program in multidisciplinary Asian studies, and the only Creative Writing graduate program in Israel.

The **Faculty of Jewish Studies**, the largest in the world, embraces the fields of Jewish Thought, Bible Studies, Talmud & Jewish Law, Jewish History & Contemporary Jewry, Hebrew & Semitic Languages, Jewish Art, Literature of the Jewish People, Land of Israel Studies & Archaeology, and Middle Eastern Studies. The faculty also offers an undergraduate multidisciplinary program in Jewish Studies, and operates the School of Basic Jewish Studies.

**Research Centers:** BIU boasts several prominent research centers, whose work is highlighted in the media and influences public discourse in Israel. These include the Begin-Sadat (BESA) Center for Strategic Studies, the Aharon Meir Center for Banking, the Center for Jewish and Democratic Law, and the Center for Media and Law.

**Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies**

Aligning itself with global trends in academia, BIU offers a variety of interdisciplinary graduate study tracks in areas such as Science, Technology & Society, Conflict Resolution, Management & Negotiation, Gender Studies, Hermeneutics & Cultural Studies, and Multidisciplinary Brain Research.
Student Services

The Student Administration Office assists students with their administrative needs throughout their academic studies. The office incorporates several units, including Admissions, the Registrar, the Archives and the Friedman Family Student Information Center. Tel: 03-531-7000, Email: biu.9392@biu.ac.il
Office Hours: Sunday-Thursday 8:30-18:00; Friday 8:30-12:30

The Dean of Students Office promotes student welfare on campus, providing a range of services designed to help them address personal, financial and social needs. Together with the Student Union, the office operates frameworks for students' volunteerism and involvement in the community. The Dean of Students Office also oversees matters relating to students who are new immigrants and on tourist visas, and helps re-schedule exams for students absent from studies due to IDF reserve duty. Building 508, Tel: 03-531-8652, Email: students.services@biu.ac.il
Office Hours: Sunday, Tuesday 11:30-14:00; Monday, Thursday 8:30-10:30

The Preparatory Program (Mechina) equips applicants who are required to complete their Israel matriculation exams (Bagrut) before enrolling in university-level courses, with training in Mathematics and Physics, Engineering and Exact Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities and Jewish Studies. Tel: 03-531-7956/406 or 535-4079
For ages 30+ without matriculation: 03-738-4486

The Maria and Joel Finkle Student Counselling Center is the on-campus mental health center which helps students with emotional issues. Bar-Ilan also offers support groups and workshops at a small fee for students in need of support. Building 407, Tel: 03-531-8450. Office hours: Monday-Wednesday, Friday 8:30-15:00; Thursday, 8:30-13:30

The Sybil Wigdor Social Involvement Unit provides a range of services, such as tutoring and assistance to students with mental, physical and learning disabilities, and academic support for students from the periphery. The unit also operates a social involvement project which encourages BIU students to volunteer in the community at large. Building 407, Tel: 03-531-8491
Office Hours: Sunday, Tuesday 11:30-14:00; Monday, Thursday 8:30-10:30
Email: meoravut.unit@biu.ac.il or eti.katav@biu.ac.il
Student Services

Dormitories and Student Housing on campus and off are allocated by the Dean of Students Office and the Student Union. Currently, an extensive dormitory construction and renovation project is underway on campus that will provide new and improved student housing options in the coming years.

The Academic & Career Counseling Unit operates under the auspices of the Dean of Students, to service all students.
Building 403, Room 61, Tel: 03-531-7024
Email: yeutz.ac@biu.ac.il
All appointments must be scheduled in advance.

The School of Graduate Studies – the only one of its kind in Israel – offers MA and PhD students a "one stop shop," providing support, career counseling and guidance from registration to graduation and as alumni. The school assists students in writing research proposals, theses and in obtaining scholarships and fellowships, and even helps graduates find positions in their professions or in academia.
Building 403, Tel: 03-531-8572/ 8524 (Masters Students)
03-531-8548/ 8556 (PhD Students)
Office hours: Sunday-Thursday 10:30-11:30; 13:30-14:30

The Student Union cares for students’ social and financial needs, organizes student events, shows, fairs and happenings. Providing students with information about private tutors, translators, exams and class notes, scholarships and job offers, the union also organizes social activities and workshops.
Building 107, Tel: 03-534-3666
Email: pniot@bis.org.il

Digital Information Stations across campus enable students to view their personal digital records and receive information at their own convenience. The info stations are located in Buildings: 105, 107, 212, 304, 306, 401, 402, 404, 405, 502, 504, 505, 507, 604, 605, 1004, 1104.

Free Computer Access is available around the clock with internet services and printers (operated by rechargeable copy cards). These computers are located in the Student Union.
Building 107, 7:00-20:00
More computers are available in the computer labs in the following buildings: 212, 404, 410, 504, 505, 604, 605, 901, 1004, 1005. Additional computer stations are located in most libraries on campus and in the University’s Internet Café, Building 405.
Student Services

Copying Services (for a fee) are available in every building on campus, in addition to the Advanced Service Center for photocopying, printing, binding and graphic design services. The Center is located in Building 405 C across from Building 403, and operates Sunday-Thursday 8:00-17:00, Tel: 03-531-7487
barilan@mafilprint.co.il

Academon Bookstore sells academic texts, fiction books, and office supplies, as well as BIU merchandise.
Student Union Building 107, Tel: 03-635-9912/3
Sunday-Wednesday 8:00-18:30; Thursday 8:00-18:00;
Friday 8:00-12:30

Israel Post Office is located in the Administration Building 402
Sunday-Thursday 8:30-14:00

Bank (Mizrahi-Tefahot) – Tuition and bills may be paid, and withdrawals and deposits made at this bank branch, which is located on campus, to the right of the main entry gate (Picciotto Family Gate, 1).
Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday 8:30-14:00
Monday, Wednesday 8:30-13:30; 15:30-17:00
Friday and Holiday eve 8:30-12:00. Tel: *5080 or 03-737-1222

Campus Cafeterias, Cafés and Restaurant offering nutritious dairy or meat meals, as well as vegetarian and vegan dishes are located in Buildings: 206, 306, 403, 409, 1004

Grocery - Fresh foods and produce, sandwiches, salads, microwave meals, pastries, cold and hot beverages. Students can use the store's microwave and toaster oven.
Building 107, Sunday-Thursday 7:30–20:00

Shoemaker - Repairs shoes, clothes, zippers and bags. Sells batteries, watch straps, shoeshines and copies keys.
Building 107, Sunday-Thursday 9:00-16:00.

The Gradel & Weisfeld Day Care Centre provides quality, affordable on-site child care for BIU students with young children from three months to three years.
For more information refer to barilan@memunah.org.il or Tel: 03-535-4456
International Programs

Bar-Ilan University offers a wide range of undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral degree programs taught entirely in English. Post high-school, academic preparation, and intensive Hebrew language instruction programs are also available, as well as specialized summer seminars and short-term courses.

**BIU’s International Office** supports the advancement of academic programs and partnerships directed towards foreign students, faculty, and staff, and fosters internationalization in teaching and learning.

**Wengrowsky Family "Lev Hacampus" Visitors Center & Observatory,**
**Building 307, Room 9, Tel: 03-738-4246**
**Email: international.office@biu.ac.il**

**IMBA** – the International MBA program offers a year-long program, enabling English-speaking students to combine academic studies with work, and a study tour abroad
**imba.biu.ac.il/**

**The Shaindy Rudoff Graduate Program in Creative Writing**
(fiction and non-fiction), the only one of its kind in Israel, enables student to improve their writing skills and become published authors or poets.
**english.biu.ac.il/cw-about-us**
International Programs

**International BA** – BIU currently offers three undergraduate tracks in Economics, Communication, and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences. Other tracks might be added at a later date and/or specializations changed.

For further information, Email: intl.office@biu.ac.il

Additional programs offered in English include graduate studies in English Literature, Linguistics, Translation and Interpretation.

Contact specific department at www1.biu.ac.il/en

**The BIU-YU Summer Science Research Internship Program** enables select undergraduates from American universities to work alongside leading BIU scientists in one of the state-of-the-art research laboratories.

www1.biu.ac.il/BIU-YU

**The Identity-Based Conflict Resolution Summer Program** uniquely affords international students with first-hand knowledge in the conflict management and resolution aspects of the Middle East.

Email: summer.CRidentity@biu.ac.il

Scholarships

BIU offers a multiplicity of scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students, among them: need-based BA scholarships, merit- and need-based Masters of Achievement graduate scholarships, scholarships for promising undergraduate students who score in the top one percentile in their psychometric and matriculation exams, scholarships for IDF combat vets, Doctoral Fellowships of Excellence for outstanding PhD candidates, and more.

Scholarships and Loans Division,
Building 304, Room 7
Tel: 03-531-8501/8372
Email: milgot.office@biu.ac.il.

Office hours:
Sunday, Tuesday 11:30-14:00
Monday 8:30-10:30; 15:00-17:00
Thursday 8:30-10:30 (no office hours Wednesday or Friday)
Office of the Campus Rabbi is responsible for a wide range of activities involving spiritual and religious life on campus, among them special Shabbat events, Torah lessons, and lectures and holiday-related activities. The Office of the Campus Rabbi provides a new service – Marriage Registration. In addition, the Campus Rabbi prepares couples for marriage and answers Halachic questions.

Building 204, Room 205, Tel: 03-531-8372,
Email: campusrabb.office@biu.ac.il

The Ludwig and Erica Jesselson Institute for Advanced Torah Studies enables BIU students to combine intense, high-level Torah scholarship with their diverse academic training. The Institute’s Beit Midrash (for men) and Midrasha (for women) offer courses for students of all religious backgrounds, and award academic credits and scholarships.

The Beit Midrash – Beit Shaul Building 411
The Midrasha – Beit Yehudit Building 405
(During Academic Year 2016-2017 Midrasha classes will be held in Building 411 due to renovations).

Jewish Heritage

Synagogues - Beautiful synagogues may be found in the Ludwig and Erica Jesselson Institute for Advanced Torah Studies Beit Midrash, Building 411, and in the Nagel Jewish Heritage Center, Building 507. Daily minyanim are held around campus. Specific information about prayer times can be found in the Campus Rabbi’s website and on campus message boards.
The BIU Student Union ensures the richness and vibrancy of campus life. It organizes a weekly pub, student events, sports tournaments, concerts, fairs and workshops (e.g., Chocolate Night, Movie Night, Sushi Night).

On weekends the Student Union holds Shabbat Campus events, featuring guest lectures and festive dinners for students and local residents. This project is co-sponsored by the Office of the Campus Rabbi.

A Flea Market with jewelry, clothing and book stands is held thrice weekly on campus, and once a month, a massive party "HafsaCampus" (Campus Break) is held on the campus lawns, with music and mingling.

A Co-ed Evening Beit Midrash for young men and women is held twice weekly in the Midrasha and includes lectures on hot-button Torah issues, discussions and hevruta learning. www.biubogrim.org.il/eng

Every Thursday, the Campus Rabbi and Student Union provide students with a taste of Shabbat at the Kabbalat Shabbat on the campus lawns with Cholent, a Dvar Torah and Jewish music. The Campus Rabbi also holds holiday events and fairs on campus.
The Alumni Community

BIU is proud of its 130,000 alumni, many of whom serve in high ranking positions in industry, finance, security, education and public sectors in Israel and abroad.

BIU views its alumni as an integral part of its development and advancement and continues to maintain contact with them long after their graduation.

The Alumni Community operates the alumni websites, Facebook and LinkedIn pages, and updates alumni through a monthly newsletter, inviting them to social and academic events. BIU also encourages its alumni to stay in touch with the university and with their classmates in order to network. Alumni are updated about professional conferences, job fairs and reunions, and are groomed to be ambassadors of good will for BIU as well as future students and philanthropists.

www.biubogrim.org.il/eng
The Wurzweiler Central Library
The Stollman Administration Building
The Charles Grosberg Education Building
The Charles Wolfson Hall Of Humanities
The Midrasha for Women
Mizrahi-Tefahot Bank (UMTB)
The Maria Finkle & Ruth Rackman Building
The Abraham Krok Satellite School of Education
The Charles Wolfson Hall Of Humanities
The Abraham Krok Satellite School of Education
The Solomon Krok Faculty House
The Rappaport Faculty of Jewish Studies Building
Jesselson Institute for Advanced Torah Studies
The Sobell Sports Center
Classrooms & Offices
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The S. Daniel Abraham Center for Economics & Business
The Aaron & Rachel Dahan Exodus Classroom Building
The Gruss / Albert Hubert Dormitory
The Jack & Gitta Nagel Family Jewish Heritage Center
Offices
The Mordecai & Monique Katz Interdisciplinary Studies Building
The Jerome L. Stern Family Graduate Studies Building
The Peter and Akilz Bepka Twelve Tribes Plaza
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