



International  
School  
Bar-Ilan University

# Study Abroad Program



**Bar-Ilan University, founded in 1955, is one of Israel's leading institutions of higher education, uniquely combining cutting-edge scientific research with academic excellence.**

Starting with 70 students and reaching approx. 21,000, Bar-Ilan University's milestone achievements in the sciences, humanities, and all fields of human endeavor have made an indelible imprint on Israel and the world.

The university has nine faculties: Medicine, Engineering, Law, Life Sciences, Exact Sciences, Social Sciences, Education, Jewish Studies, and Humanities. These faculties are active partners in Israel's national science, technology, and other initiatives.

Bar-Ilan University is an exciting combination of an urban and a closed campus. While access to Tel Aviv is quick and easy, as a closed campus, everything students need is within walking distance whether classes, dorms, libraries, the gym, banks, or places to eat and socialize. In addition, there is a campus shuttle that enables students to get around effortlessly.

A sense of community is hugely emphasized at Bar-Ilan University and students are surrounded by supportive staff who are there to provide guidance throughout each student's studies.

**Watch the BIU video to find out more.**  
[Meet Bar-Ilan University >>](#)





# Facts and Figures

More than

**21,000**

Students

Including

**900**

International Students

Plus

**130,000**

Graduates

More than

**3,000**

Facilities

In

**52**

Departments

Teaching

**8,000**

Courses

Our

**5-time**

Award-winning Campus

Includes

**9**

Faculties

With more than

**490**

Classrooms and Labs

We've created

**100+**

International Academic  
Research Collaborations

Through our

**55**

Research Centers





## Why Bar-Ilan University?

Bar-Ilan University is consistently ranked in the top 2% of all universities throughout the world. The university's research centers span across a wide range of disciplines, including nanotechnology, physics, medicinal chemistry, life sciences, mathematics, brain research, computers, robotics, music, law, Jewish studies, Bible studies, archaeology, and more.

The academic standard at Bar-Ilan University is among the highest in the country. The university prides itself on its award-winning, internationally recognized professors and researchers, all personally committed to providing their students with a first-rate education, cultivating independent thinking and personal growth.

Bar-Ilan University has welcomed students from all corners of the world since its inception in 1955. Currently, there are students from more than 45 countries coming in through the International School, which offers a wide variety of degrees, programs, and courses taught entirely in English.

Study Abroad students are integrated into the university and are able to study and socialize with other international students as well as Israeli students.

The International School's aim is to ensure that Study Abroad students' experience at Bar-Ilan University is interesting, rewarding, entertaining, and fulfilling.





# Beautiful Campus, Ideal Location

As a leading academic institute, Bar-Ilan University believes that the learning environment is just as important as academic excellence. Therefore, the university constantly invests a great deal of effort and resources in the campus, rendering it an inviting, harmonious, inspirational learning environment.

Attesting to this is the fact that Bar-Ilan University was awarded the title of "Most Beautiful Academic Campus" in Israel by the Council for a Beautiful Israel.

Thanks to its ideal geographic location in the center area of Israel, Bar-Ilan University's campus is easily accessible to students arriving from all regions of the country.

Conveniently situated within a 20-minute drive from the center of Tel Aviv, one of the most vibrant cities in the world, and a 45-minute drive from Jerusalem, one of the most historic cities in the world, the Bar-Ilan University campus provides easy access to public transportation.





# Academic Information

## Academic Year

The academic year starts in mid-October and finishes at the end of June. During the year, there are several holidays and a semester break around January/February.

### Fall Semester

Lecture period  
Mid October until mid/end of January

Exam period  
End of January until mid March

### Spring Semester

Lecture period  
Mid March until end of June

Exam period  
July until August

## Application Deadlines for Study Abroad Students

### Fall Semester

July 1

### Spring Semester

December 1

## Academic Courses in English

English-instructed classes and a description of courses available for Study Abroad students can be found on our website under [Study Abroad](#) or click [here](#).

## Tuition Fees

US \$8,000 for one semester (Fall or Spring)  
US \$12,000 for two semesters (Fall and Spring)

The tuition fees include the application fee and processing/administration costs, tuition, dormitory accommodation during the semester of study, and participation in international student social activities, including a field trip in the country.



# Practical Information

## International Student Services Center

The International School's Student Services Center provides full support to Study Abroad students and serves as a one-stop, home-away-from-home address to care for students' needs.

The Center offers assistance in a variety of areas including the coordination of a monthly social activity calendar, handling of entry visas, registering for dormitories, scheduling of courses, guidance with health insurance, and local transportation options.

## Accommodation on Campus

The 100 Park is a new complex designed as an architectural creation, based on the co-living concept in order to create an experimental environment of community through shared spaces.

It offers students a collaborative and innovative living experience with everything needed within easy reach: restaurants, coffee shops, retail, and more.

Each apartment is fully air-conditioned and includes a kitchen, an LCD television screen, a joint living space, bedroom and bathroom with shower. Every other floor has a spacious communal balcony.



# Student Activities and Well-being



Student social activities and events are part of the exciting experience of being a Bar-Ilan University student.

BIU's International School arranges a variety of events to celebrate or commemorate holidays, introduce international students to Israeli life, culture, community, and attractions, or to simply have fun with fellow students on campus.

Social events include sports and activities groups, games nights and open-mike nights, themed parties to celebrate holidays, organized tours around Israel, and more.







# Study Abroad Partners

## Partnerships and Collaborations

Bar-Ilan University's International School has created connections with many top academic institutions all over the world, including North America, Europe, Asia, the UAE, Morocco, and more.

These connections have resulted in numerous partnerships and collaborations for research, joint degrees, faculty and student exchange, and study-abroad agreements.

The International School has a dedicated department that handles these partnerships and collaborations and welcomes all universities who are interested in partnering or collaborating with Bar-Ilan University. Special visits for current and prospective partners are arranged on a regular basis.

Study Abroad partners are welcome to request information on any of our courses, credit transfers, policies and procedures relating to our Study Abroad program, or any other pertinent information.

Bar-Ilan University is a member of NAFSA: Association of International Educators and the Forum on Education Abroad.



# Connecting with BIU

## Bar-Ilan University Online

Want to find out about our faculties, research, degrees, and other interesting facts about Bar-Ilan University?

Bar-Ilan University's main website provides information on the university, the different faculties and departments, the university's management, faculty members, and staff.

You can also **take an interactive video tour** of each faculty on campus guided by our experts in each area of specialty via our website. Visit **Bar-Ilan University**.

BIU's International School website provides information about the degrees and programs we offer in English as well as the multitude of services we provide for our international students. Visit **BIU's International School**.







# Why Israel?

## Israeli Innovation

- Highest number of startups *per capita* in the world
- Highest number of companies listed in NASDAQ after the U.S. and Canada
- Highest number of Israeli unicorns *per capita* in the world (more than 50)
- Highest number of research institutes *per capita*
- R&D centers of leading multinational companies in Israel, including Intel, Microsoft, Samsung, Google, and Apple

## Israeli Excellence

- World's highest rate of university degrees *per capita*
- Highest production of scientific papers annually *per capita*
- Leading country using solar water heating *per capita*
- Highest number of non-profit organizations.
- World leader in vaccinating against Covid-19

## Medical Innovation

- PillCam: Endoscopy capsule to detect Cancer and other medical issues
- Medi-T: Portable and Sterile Operating Room
- ReWalk: Wearable Robotic Exoskeleton

## Agricultural Innovation

- BioBee: Harmless pest control
- Water Extraction Solution: Quality drinking water from humidity in the air
- Drip Irrigation: Efficient water and nutrient delivery system

## Other Facts



Numerous studies rank Israelis among the happiest people in Western nations.



Israel has more museums *per capita* than any other country, including the world's only one underwater.



Israel has not only the lowest place in the world (the Dead Sea), but also the world's lowest freshwater reservoir, the sea of Galilee.



Every year, half a billion migratory birds pass through Israel, in spring and autumn – a world record.



Five out of seven natural craters in the world are located in Israel.



Israel is home to the world's only professional deaf-blind acting ensemble.



Coffee and cafés are so good in Israel that it's the only country where Starbucks failed trying to break into the local market.



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