

Mekorot Program Information 2026-2027 Cohort*

Important Summer Dates

July 24, 2026 – Program registration deadline & deadline to complete 45-minute proficiency exam to determine eligibility for exemption from pre-requisite course, *Introduction to the Jewish Bookshelf*. You will receive a separate email with instructions for completing the proficiency exam.

August 2 - September 25, 2026 – Complete *Introduction to the Jewish Bookshelf* asynchronous pre-requisite course (for relevant educators only).

Fall & Spring Semesters

 October 11, 2026 - February 25, 2027 – Fall

 February 28 - June 18, 2027 – Spring

 Your online coursework combines a mix of synchronous (on Zoom) and asynchronous (on-demand) learning. The asynchronous learning can be done according to your own schedule throughout the week.

 Zoom sessions with your course instructors will take place weekly on Sundays for 1-2 hours between the window of 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM EST. Final calendar is forthcoming.

 Group and individual coaching sessions (in addition to the 1-2 hours on Sundays with your course instructors) will be scheduled based on individual and group availability at the start of the fall semester.

June 27 - July 15, 2027, Summer Semester in Israel

Flights, Accommodation, Room & Board, and Other Participant Costs

 The Lookstein Center will contribute 3500 Shekel towards the cost of your round-trip ticket to Israel. Tickets can be booked directly with Bar-Ilan University's travel agent at the start of the fall semester.

 The summer semester includes classroom days, trip days, and free weekends. Accommodations based on double occupancy will be provided during the week / scheduled programming only. Please be in touch with us during the spring semester if you need help finding weekend accommodations.

 On classroom and trip days breakfast and lunch will be covered. Dinner will be covered on days that are scheduled through dinner.

 Group transportation to all programmed activities is included.

 Transportation to and from the airport, to / from your weekend destination, or any time you travel separately from the group is not included.

 Many health insurance policies include Israel coverage. It is the responsibility of every participant to check if they are covered, and if not, to purchase a supplemental health policy. This is not covered by the program.

 Participants who do not hold Israeli citizenship are required to purchase an electronic visa for 25 Shekel.

Payment and Refund Policies*

\$150 registration fee is due on July 24th, 2026.

\$850 program fee will be collected at the beginning of the fall semester.

**The \$150 registration fee and the \$850 program fee for Mekorot are non-refundable. Dates and other details on this document are subject to minor changes. Please email us at info@lookstein.org with any questions.*