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LIVE IN ISRAEL, STUDY IN ENGLISH

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Reichman University was founded with the aim of nurturing future leaders. In just twenty-seven years, we have created a pioneering and innovative academic center. Our students are imbued with a commitment to excellence and original thinking. ‘The university of the future,’ as we see it, has to prepare its students for a constantly changing world by being able to innovate skillfully, to dare, and to initiate. We believe that the knowledge and tools acquired at Reichman University support personal and professional goal fulfillment and enable our graduates to tackle the challenges of our global reality.”

Prof. Uriel Reichman
Founding President and Chairman of the Academic Board, Reichman University
The twenty-first century has been marked by profound scientific and technological progress that has improved the quality of lives around the globe. Despite these advances, too many people continue to face ongoing and new challenges to their well-being and prosperity, such as violent conflict, the rise of extremist ideologies, the growing influence of artificial intelligence on human society, and global pandemics.

Reichman University’s MA Program in Government is uniquely positioned to prepare future leaders to acquire the tools needed to grasp today’s complex predicaments and to develop solutions to address these challenges. Trained in the world’s leading universities and having served in senior positions in government, business, and NGOs, the MA program’s world-renowned faculty offers its students the twin benefits of academic rigor and practical experience. Our rigorous curriculum and dynamic educational program combine in-class instruction, using the latest educational technologies, with insightful and enjoyable extracurricular activities.

The MA Program in Government takes great pride in its graduates, many of whom have gone on to pursue exciting and rewarding careers in policy, research, academia, and consulting. We are looking forward to welcoming you into our program so that you too can join this network of global leaders.
The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy at Reichman University is among the leading schools of public policy, diplomacy, foreign policy, counter-terrorism, and strategy in Israel. The mission of the Lauder School is to educate and train the next generation of leaders, scholars, and educators. As Israel and the world are facing enormous challenges in the areas of terrorism, interstate and ethnic conflicts, poverty, public health, and the environment, there is a pressing need to train students to become better policy analysts, practitioners, and scholars.

Our programs are taught in English and Hebrew, combining theory and practice in an interdisciplinary and international setting. In addition to introducing you to key theories, models, and concepts in your area of specialization, the program will provide you with a set of analytical and practical tools for conducting policy research and addressing policy dilemmas and challenges. Students from the Lauder School can participate in the activities of the school's institutes, including the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) and the Institute for Policy and Strategy (IPS), whose annual conferences bring to campus policymakers from around the world.

The MA Program in Government is a stepping stone for positions of leadership in the public sector and academia in Israel and worldwide. I invite you to enroll in this program and to become part of the Reichman University community.

Prof. Asif Efrat
Head, MA Program
Head, Research Track

Ambassador Ronald S. Lauder, an international businessman and Jewish communal leader, was appointed US Ambassador to Austria in 1986. In 1987, he established The Ronald S. Lauder Foundation, which focuses on Jewish education and community outreach. Among the many positions which he has held and currently holds are: President of the World Jewish Congress; Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations; Chairman of the Board of the Jewish National Fund; and Chairman of the International Public Committee of the World Jewish Restitution Organization. The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy was established in 1999.
REICHMAN UNIVERSITY

FAST FACTS

Over 30,000
graduates worldwide

The Israeli Council for Higher Education granted Reichman University permission to confer doctoral degrees

Over 30
research institutes
at Reichman University

Over 300
Lone Soldiers studying for full degrees

Reichman University’s Alumni Association, with over 30,000 graduates, forms a professional and social alumni community that promotes networking from different countries, and strengthens the pride and belonging to Reichman University and the alumni

Israel’s first and only private university

Reichman University has created new, academic interdisciplinary concepts in the fields of entrepreneurship, counter-terrorism and sustainability - models that are being implemented around the world

The Career Center aims to assist alumni in integrating into the professional market, as well as to assist employers who are seeking to recruit suitable candidates

There are 7,000 students at Reichman University

Over 2,000 of them, from over 90 different countries, study at the Raphael Recanati International School - they make up 1/3 of the Reichman University student body!

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Over 300 Lone Soldiers studying for full degrees

Ranked no. 1 in Israel for our treatment of IDF reservists
There are three specializations taught in English in the MA program: Diplomacy & Conflict Studies; Counter-terrorism & Homeland Security; and the Research Track with Thesis. Studies in the Diplomacy and Counter-terrorism specializations may also be combined with the writing of a thesis.

The length of the program is one year (three semesters, including the summer). Classes are held twice a week during the first and second semesters, and potentially two additional days during the summer, depending on the specialization.

The Research Track with Thesis and the Specialization with Thesis take two academic years.

- **DIPLOMACY & CONFLICT STUDIES (option for Thesis)** (Thursday, Friday) *
- **COUNTER-TERRORISM & HOMELAND SECURITY (option for Thesis)** (Thursday, Friday) *
- **RESEARCH TRACK WITH THESIS** (Thursday, Friday) *

### Core Courses (9 credits)

- Research Methods
- Workshops in Decision-Making
- MA Seminar
- Data Science and Information Technologies

### Four Courses from the Following (8 credits)

- Advanced Theories & Approaches to Politics
- Conflict Resolution**
- Diplomacy & Conflict in the Era of Globalization**
- Economic & Social Policy
- US Foreign Policy in the Middle East
- International Political Economy
- Political Leadership
- Political Psychology
- Political Thought
- Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism ***

### Electives (8 credits)

All MA-level courses can be taken as an elective, including (selected list):

- Spoken Arabic
- Iranian Diplomatic & Security Studies
- Egypt - Politics, Society & Terror: From Vision to Reality
- History of the US-Israel Relationship
- The Open Society & Its New Enemies
- Jerusalem & Regional Politics
- Strategic Surprise
- Introduction to Cyber Security
- Research Seminar Dynamics of Power & Technology
- Research Seminar Contemporary Issues in International Terrorism

### Credits

- 41 credit hours for the Diplomacy & Conflict Studies and the Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security specializations (43 credits with the Cyber-Terrorism or Contemporary Middle East Politics clusters)
- 40 credits for the Research Track specialization
- 62 credits for the Specialization with Thesis
- The student’s average grade must be above 80 to proceed to the final semester.
- All MA level courses at Reichman University may be taken as electives.

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* Some electives may be offered on Wednesday.
** Required for the specialization in Diplomacy & Conflict Studies
*** Required for the specialization in Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security
The specialization in Diplomacy & Conflict Studies combines ideas, skills, and practices for effective twenty-first century diplomacy, conflict management, and engagement in international development work. Students are encouraged to explore the great transformations currently shaping the global order and to develop the understanding, vision, and tools necessary to become leaders in addressing those transformations. The specialization provides students with unique opportunities to analyze how international conflicts emerge and evolve, and how they can be managed through negotiation, mediation, and peace building. By gaining knowledge and tools, students will be better equipped to address emerging trends in international diplomacy (including public diplomacy), conflict management, and the range of complex challenges in the globalized world.

The program also offers two certificate-granting elective clusters: Contemporary Middle East Politics, headed by Dr. Yossi Mann, provides an in-depth exploration of the contemporary dynamics shaping the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. International Development, Sustainability & Entrepreneurship, headed by Dr. Jennifer Shkabatur, seeks to nurture outstanding young leaders and social entrepreneurs interested in leveraging Israeli innovation for the benefit of international development and humanitarian assistance work around the world.

Throughout the program we emphasize the acquisition of practical skills and experience, so that students learn to deal with twenty-first century regional and international challenges. These skills can be acquired through individual internships, research, or policy-oriented work with highly experienced practitioners.

Specialization (16 credits)

- International Mediation
- Strategy & Deterrence: Comparative National Strategies
- Psychological & Cultural Aspects of Conflict Management
- International Law & International Conflict
- War, Peace & Strategic Aspects of International Relations
- Conflict Analysis
- Human Rights & International Order
- The Modern International System
- Russia & Foreign Policy
- Public Diplomacy
- China & Chinese Foreign Policy

Cluster in Contemporary Middle East Politics (12 credits)

- Spoken Arabic
- Religion & Politics in the Middle East
- Society, Energy & Politics in the Middle East
- Islam & Nationalism in the Middle East
- Jerusalem & Regional Politics
- Education & Politics in Middle Eastern Societies
- Choose one of the following research seminars:
  - Negotiating Core Issues in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
  - Arab Spring in the Middle East & Variable Changes

Cluster in Global Impact Studies (10 credits)

- Key Issues in International Development
- Humanitarian Aid & Emergency Management
- Entrepreneurship & Innovation in Emerging Economies
- Innovation, Governance & Development Workshop
- Financial Regulation of Socio-Environmental Conflicts

Electives (8 credits)

- For the list of courses offered as electives see p. 7
- All MA level courses at Reichman University may be taken as electives.
- The cluster in either Contemporary Middle East Politics or International Development may be taken instead of the 10 elective credits. A certificate will be awarded to students who complete the International Development cluster.

Specialization with Thesis

Students have the option to apply for the Diplomacy & Conflict Studies Specialization with Thesis. For details on the writing of a thesis see p. 10.
The specialization in Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security Studies, in collaboration with the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), is a cutting-edge MA program that combines academic study, simulations, and workshops, and that offers special tools for critical thinking in this field. The courses provide concentrated, in-depth exposure to the phenomenon of modern terrorism and its characteristics, modus operandi, scope, and dissemination throughout the world. Students will obtain an understanding of the challenge that this phenomenon presents to decision-makers, security establishments, first responders, legal systems, and the business sector, based on the experience Israel has accumulated in the field.

Specialization (16 credits)

- Formal & Informal Terrorist Actors
- Insurgencies & Civil Wars
- Psychological Aspects of Terrorism
- Radical Islamic Ideologies
- Hezbollah: A Hybrid Terrorist Organization
- Online Terrorism
- Terrorism & Profiling
- Terrorism Fundraising
- Post-Modern Terrorism - CBRN
- Global Migration: Challenges & Dilemmas
- Introduction to Homeland Security
- Counter-Terrorism Issues & Challenges for Homeland Security
- Counter-Terrorism Strategy & the Terrorism Threat
- National Security Strategy & Deterrence
- Intelligence in the New Era
- Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism Decision-Making
- Legal Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism

Cluster in Cyber-Terrorism (12 credits)

- Introduction to Cybersecurity
- Cybersecurity
- Cyberspace in the Modern Terrorism Strategy
- Countering the Cyber Threat
- Workshop in Cybersecurity
- Two additional credits of elective courses

Electives (8 credits)

- For the list of courses offered as electives see p. 7
- All MA level courses at Reichman University may be taken as electives.
- The cluster in Cyber-Terrorism may be taken instead of the 10 credits of electives. A certificate will be awarded to students who complete this program.

Specialization with Thesis

Students have the option to apply for the Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security Specialization with Thesis. For details on the writing of a thesis see p. 10.
Core Courses (26 Credits)

- Research Methods MA
- Workshop in Decision-Making
- Political Thought
- Data Science & Information Technologies
- Research Seminar MA
- Advanced Research Seminar
- Advanced Research Methods
- Advanced Theories and Approaches to Politics
- MA Seminar
- Faculty Seminar
- Qualitative Research Methods

Three Courses from the Following (6 Credits)

- The Political System of Israel
- Diplomacy & Conflict in the Era of Globalization
- Public Administration & Policy
- Political Leadership
- Conflict Resolution
- International Political Economy
- Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism
- Political Psychology
- Strategy & Politics

Directed Studies with Advisor (4 credits)

Electives (4 credits)

- For the list of courses offered as electives see p. 7
- Approval of the thesis proposal and a GPA of 80 are required to proceed to the second year of study.

Reichman University reserves the right to cancel, alter, or expand the academic programs offered.
THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY AND STRATEGY (IPS)

The Institute for Policy and Strategy at Reichman University, the convener of the Annual Herzliya Conference Series, aspires to contribute to Israel's national security and resilience by conducting integrative and comprehensive policy analysis on the unprecedented challenges facing the nation, identifying opportunities and threats, producing strategic insights and policy recommendations for decision-makers, and informing the public and policy discourse.

The annual Herzliya Conference on the balance of Israel's national security is the flagship of IPS activities. The conference draws together international and Israeli participants from the highest levels of government, business, and academia to address the most pressing national, regional, and global issues.


THE ABBA EBAN INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMACY

The Abba Eban Institute is a proactive research center, working to study, theorize, and eventually help craft an innovative, effective, and proactive diplomatic infrastructure for the State of Israel, in order to strengthen its international relations and diplomatic influence through proactive action.

Headed by Ambassador Professor Ron Prosor, the Abba Eban Institute is a unique "Do Tank," providing professional knowledge and expertise for decision-makers, opinion leaders, and the general public. The institute aims to reinvent practices in the fields of diplomacy and foreign relations by teaching and driving revolutionary thinking. It makes information and research available, with the purpose of inspiring practical, actionable plans. The ideas developed by the Institute today, will become the foreign policies of tomorrow.

The Institute deals with a broad range of challenges across different sectors, both within and outside of Israel - from the future of diplomacy, to technology and cyber policy, to Asian policy, to Middle East affairs and U.S.-Israel relations. Some of its most notable projects are The Janus Initiative, a pro-active global initiative focused on the designation of Hezbollah as a terrorist organization in Germany and around the world, and the Abba Eban Institute Model for Foreign Services, which aims to revolutionize foreign service in Israel and around the globe.

The Abba Eban Institute for International Diplomacy offers an outstanding internship program for passionate students who are considering a career in diplomacy and international relations, and their intersections with the media. Over the course of one academic year, interns will deepen their understanding of foreign policy and get an insider's view of the machinations of international diplomacy.

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Reuven Rivlin, President of Israel, addressing the Herzliya Conference 2016
THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR COUNTER- TERRORISM (ICT)

The International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) is one of the leading academic institutes for counter-terrorism in the world, facilitating international cooperation in the global struggle against terrorism. ICT is an independent think tank providing expertise in: terrorism, counter-terrorism, homeland security, threat vulnerability and risk assessment, and open intelligence analysis policy.

ICT holds an annual World Summit on Counter-Terrorism Conference, one of the most influential events in the field of counter-terrorism today. Speakers and participants at ICT’s previous conferences have included current and former ministers, members of parliament, heads of security agencies and police departments, first responders, academics, professional experts in the field of counter-terrorism, jurists, business executives, and students.

ICT also serves as a joint forum for international policymakers and scholars to share information and expertise through research papers, situation reports, and academic publications for worldwide distribution.

www.ict.org.il

THE PROGRAM ON DEMOCRATIC RESILIENCE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Program on Democratic Resilience and Development at the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy, and Strategy is an interdisciplinary research, educational, and policy platform dedicated to the understanding and nurturing of free and responsible societies in Israel and around the world. It seeks to better understand, protect, and promote the values, institutions, and processes that enable human beings to create and sustain conditions of human dignity, security, liberty, and well-being. The program is focused on analyzing twenty-first century threats to those values, institutions, and processes, and seeks to nurture a cadre of young leaders committed to freedom and responsibility.

The Program on Democratic Resilience and Development is a partnership between the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS).
Prof. Dima Adamsky, PhD, University of Haifa
Head, Honors Track Strategy & Decision-Making, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: International Relations; International Security; Security & Intelligence Studies; Modern Military Thought; Arab-Israeli Conflict; US, Russian & Israeli National Security

Courses: Strategy & Deterrence; Russia & Foreign Policy; National Security

Dr. Eitan Azani, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Colonel (Res.), Israel Defense Forces; Director of Research, ICT, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: Terrorist Organizations in the Middle East; Global Jihad; Cyberterrorism; Terror Financing

Courses: Terrorism Fundraising; Radical Islamic Ideologies; Cyberspace in the Modern Terrorism Strategy; Hezbollah: A Hybrid Terrorist Organization

Dr. Amnon Cavari, PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Director, Institute for Liberty and Responsibility, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: Israeli Politics; American Politics; Public Opinion; US-Israel Relations

Courses: Intermediate Research Methods; Research Methods; Advanced Research Methods; Political Leadership

Prof. Asif Efrat, PhD, Harvard University
Director, MA Program in Government, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Chair, Research Track with Thesis, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: International Law & Politics; International Cooperation; International Relations

Courses: Introduction to International Politics; Research Seminar MA; International Conflicts & International Law; International Political Economy

Prof. Boaz Ganor, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Chair, Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security Specialization, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Former Dean, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Founder, Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Reichman University; Former Advisor, Prime Minister’s Office on Counter-Terrorism

Areas of Interest: International & Local Terrorism

Courses: Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism; Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism Decision-Making

Prof. Galia Golan, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Former Director, MA Program, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: International Crises; The Arab-Israeli Conflict; Current Political Issues

Courses: Research Seminar: Negotiating Core Issues in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Prof. Sivan Hirsch, PhD, University of Antwerp

Areas of Interest: Political Extremism & Violence; Collective Action & Social Movements; Political Behavior; Political Sociology; Religious & Ethnic Conflict

Courses: Research Methods; Political Leadership in the Middle East; Final Project

Prof. Bruce Hoffman, PhD, Oxford University
Director, Center for Jewish Civilization, Georgetown University

Areas of Interest: Counter-Terrorism Issues & Challenges for Homeland Security

Prof. Liza Ireni-Saban, PhD, Tel Aviv University
Chair, Public Policy & Political Marketing, MA in Government Program (Hebrew), Reichman University

Areas of Interest: Public Administration; Public Policy & Ethics

Courses: Political Thought

Dr. Ely Karmon, PhD, University of Haifa
Advisor to the Israeli Ministry of Defense; Member, International Permanent Observatory (IPO) on Security Measures During Major Events, UNICRI, Turin, Italy; Senior Researcher, Institute for Counter-Terrorism

Areas of Interest: International Terrorism

Courses: Post-Modern Terrorism - CBRN

Ambassador Yitzhak Levanon
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for the State of Israel to the Arab Republic of Egypt; Representative of the Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the United Nations, Venezuela, Colombia, France, and Canada; Spokesperson, Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Arab World; Israeli Peace Negotiator

Courses: Egypt: Politics, Society & Terror - From Vision to Reality

Dr. Amichai Magen, PhD, Stanford University
Chair, Diplomacy & Conflict Studies, MA in Government Program, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: Democracy; The Rule of Law; Liberal Orders; Political Violence

Courses: The Modern International System; The Open Society and Its New Enemies; Governance & Political Violence

Dr. Yossi Mann, PhD, Oxford University
Chair, Politics & Development in the Middle East, MA in Government Program, Reichman University

Areas of Interest: Commodities Market; Renewable Energy in the EU; Oil & Gas in the Middle East

Courses: Contemporary Middle East; Development & Entrepreneurship in the Middle East; Society, Energy & Politics in the Middle East
Dr. Shavit Matias, LLM, Georgetown University; SJD, George Washington University
Deputy Attorney General of Israel; Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University; Member, Jean Perkins Task Force on National Security and Law; Member, UN Commission on International Trade Law; Member, Institute for Policy and Strategy, Reichman University
Areas of Interest National Security Affairs; International Institutions & Regulation; International Law & Diplomacy; Negotiations & International Dispute Settlement
Courses Diplomacy & Conflict in the Era of Globalization

Prof. Shaul Mishal, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Director, Middle East Division, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Senior Advisor, Department of Political Planning, Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Defense; Director and Consultant to International and Regional Private and Public Institutions; Visiting Professor, Yale University; Visiting Scholar, Center for International Affairs, Harvard University; Senior Fellow, Harvard School of Public Health
Areas of Interest Palestinian Politics; Arab & Islamic Political Cultures; Hamas & Radical Islam; Leadership in the Middle East; Non-State Organizations
Courses Islam & Nationalism in the Middle East; Research Seminar: Regional Palestinian Politics

Prof. Assaf Moghadam, PhD, Tufts University
Dean, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University; Senior Researcher, Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT); Fellow, Combating Terrorism Center, West Point
Areas of Interest Terrorism & Political Violence; Insurgency; Civil Wars, Proxy Wars
Courses Formal & Informal Terrorist Actors; Research Seminar on Contemporary Topics in International Terrorism; Insurgencies & Civil Wars

Prof. Karine Nahon, PhD, Tel Aviv University
Chair, Data & Democracy Cluster; President, Israel Internet Association; Associate Professor, Lauder School of Government and Ofer School of Communications, Reichman University
Areas of Interest Politics of Information; Power Dynamics & Network Gatekeeping in Social Media; The Role of Virality & Information Flows in Elections & in Politics in General
Courses Research Seminar: Dynamics of Power & Technology

Prof. Liav Orgad, LLD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Associate Professor, Reichman University; Director, Global Citizenship Governance, European University Institute
Areas of Interest Citizenship Theory; Comparative Immigration Law; International Jurisprudence
Courses Citizenship & Technology; Human Rights & International Order; Global Migration: Challenges & Dilemmas; Technology Citizenship & Digital Government

Ambassador Prof. Ron Prosor
Former Israeli Ambassador to the UN; Head, Abba Eban Chair for Diplomacy & International Relations, Reichman University
Courses Public Diplomacy: Israel’s Challenges in the UN

Dr. Daphné Richemond-Barak, PhD, Tel Aviv University
Head, BA in Government, Raphael Recanati International School, Reichman University
Areas of Interest Role & Status of Non-State Actors; Asymmetric Warfare & the Morality of War; International Court of Justice; Relationship Between International Law & International Relations; Comparative Analysis of Systems of Law
Courses International Law; Contemporary Problems in International Law; Law & Terrorism

Dr. Alisa Rubin Peled, PhD, Harvard University
Academic Director, Argov Program in Diplomacy, Reichman University
Areas of Interest International Political Economy with a Focus on the Middle East; Business-Government Relations; Globalization
Courses International Political Economy; Current Challenges Facing Israeli Society

Dr. Shaul Shay, PhD, Bar-Ilan University
Colonel (Res.), Israel Defense Forces; Former Deputy Head, Israel National Security Council
Areas of Interest Local & International Terrorism
Courses Israel’s Middle Eastern Neighbors; Israeli Counter-Terrorism Policy; Theaters of Global Jihad; State Involvement in Terrorism; Strategic Surprise

Dr. Jennifer Shkabatur, PhD, Harvard University
Areas of Interest Information Law & Policy; Open Government & Open Data; Governance Innovations in Developed & Developing Countries; The Political Economy of Post-Soviet Countries
Courses Introduction to International Development; Governance Innovations in Developing Countries; Practicum

Dr. Lesley Terris, PhD, Tel Aviv University
Deputy Dean, Lauder School of Government, Reichman University
Areas of Interest Negotiation & Mediation Processes in International Conflict; Combining Game-Theoretic Modeling
Courses Conflict Analysis; International Mediation; Advanced Research Seminar; Policy & Strategy Simulation

Prof. Gabriel Weimann, PhD, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Areas of Interest The Study of Media Effects; Political and Commercial Campaigns; Terrorism and the Media; Terrorism and the Internet; Public Opinion Research
Courses Online Terrorism; Jihadist Social Media
APPLICATION PERIOD
The application period for the academic year starting autumn 2022 is **November 15, 2021 - August 31, 2022**.

Due to the competitive nature of the admissions process we recommend that applicants prepare their application well in advance of the deadlines. Reichman University reserves the right to impose stricter criteria upon applicants during the late application period or upon applicants who submit material late. Preference will be given to applicants who submit all required material during the regular application period.

ADMISSION CRITERIA
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or 80% and above. For the Research Track and Specialization with Thesis a GPA of 88% is required.
- Prerequisite courses may be required. (There may be additional costs for these courses.)
- The academic program of the Raphael Recanati International School is taught entirely in English. Graduates of schools in which English was not the primary language of instruction are required to pass the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or an equivalent test, such as the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) or the Israel Psychometric Examination.

TUITION & FEES
- The application fee is **$100 USD** (non-refundable)
- The down payment is **$2,000 USD**. Applicants must pay the fee to secure their place in the program after being accepted. Once the down payment has been received, the applicant's place is secured and confirmed.
- Tuition for Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security Studies, Diplomacy & Conflict Studies, and the Research Track is **$13,900 USD**, Tuition for the Specialization with Thesis option is **$15,000 USD**.

If payment is in Israeli shekels, the value in dollars will be determined according to the exchange rate on the day that payment is received.

Reichman University reserves the right to change all tuition and fee rates without prior notice.

ONLINE APPLICATION
Please note your application must include:
- Official transcripts of previous academic studies. Transcripts must bear the official stamp of the issuing institution. If you do not send the original transcript, scanned photocopies of the original documents will be accepted if properly notarized.*
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Copy of passport or identity card
- Two letters of recommendation or references, to be sent directly to the Admissions Office
- Personal Statement: One page explaining applicant’s background, interest in the program, and aspirations. For the Thesis Track: a two-page personal statement highlighting academic background, research interests, and professional aspirations.
- Thesis applicants must submit a 10-15 page writing sample on any subject in either English or Hebrew.

* An official, notarized English translation must be submitted for all transcripts not originally issued in English.

APPLY ONLINE AT
forms.idc.ac.il/MA

TOEFL  www.toefl.org
IELTS  www.ielts.org
FINANCIAL AID

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP
RRIS awards excellent students with merit scholarships based on their previous performance. Students do not apply for this scholarship. The Admissions Office will notify you if relevant.

FAFSA
American students may be eligible for Stafford Loans as part of the Direct Loans Program. Check your eligibility with the RRIS Financial Aid office: ris.financialaid@idc.ac.il
Students can register online at www.studentaid.gov from October 1, 2021 to April 1, 2023 for the 2022-'23 academic year. Our school code is G40703.
For further information see www.runi.ac.il/fafsa

STUDENT AUTHORITY
The Government of Israel offers financial assistance for graduate school tuition to new immigrants under the age of 30, provided the immigrant does not already have a graduate degree from abroad and the program is recognized by the Student Authority. Students must begin their graduate studies within three years of their aliyah date (not including army service), in order to be eligible for this assistance.
https://www.gov.il/en/Departments/Units/students_authority_maya

MASA
Jewish students between the ages of 18-30 who have not previously been on a long-term program to Israel and have not made aliyah are eligible for a onetime grant from Masa towards tuition.
www.masaisrael.org

SAP (Students Assistance Programs)
Canadian students interested in loans and grants from the Canadian government can get information at https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/education/student-aid/grants-loans/province-apply.html
Financial aid is also available through the Free Loan for the Greater Toronto area (https://jewishtoronto.com/directory/jewish-free-loan-toronto)

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Networking is the name of the game! To date, there are more than 27,000 Reichman University graduates from more than 90 countries. This gives students a unique opportunity to meet people from different backgrounds and learn about other nations and cultures, and to establish friendships that last a lifetime. It also creates a worldwide networking system that gives our students an advantage throughout their lives.

Reichman University is one of the most prestigious universities in Israel. Employers seek Reichman University graduates because they come with practical tools and hit the ground running. Reichman University operates a Career Development Center that aims to prepare students and alumni for the job market, and to provide them with the tools to find suitable employment both before and after they graduate.

Reichman University offers a large array of extracurricular activities: sports, debate club, Model UN, Israel advocacy, JLC-RRIS Friday night dinners, shiurim, mincha club, choir, band, and much more.

Our small classes create an intimate atmosphere, which allows students to get to know each other and the staff. Our philosophy is that our students are our partners.

The Raphael Recanati International School provides very special care for its students. We are the largest academic absorption center in the country. We are especially proud that we are home to more than 300 lone soldiers, who are currently studying here.

One-third of Reichman University students are international, making us the most international university in Israel for full-degree students. Israeli students serve as counselors for first-year students in order to help them find their way around and get to know the system.

Reichman University was ranked number one in student satisfaction for quality teaching for four consecutive years, in a nationwide survey conducted by Israel’s Council for Higher Education. We are the first non-government-subsidized academic institution to grant doctoral degrees.
CAREER CENTER

The Career Center strives to prepare students to enter the workplace and to help them find employment opportunities, by providing counseling, placement, and informational services. It is tailored to meet the specific needs of the students and graduates of each of Reichman University's schools, according to the relevant market. These services include personal career counseling and assistance, as well as lectures and workshops on job-seeking strategies, LinkedIn, and interviews. In addition, the Career Center creates recruitment and networking opportunities such as job fairs, Coffee Chats, and employers meetings. The center also maintains an updated listing of hundreds of job openings in Israel for students and graduates.

www.runi.ac.il/career/eng

VISA & STATUS ASSISTANCE

Students are responsible for clarifying and establishing their status in Israel, and can turn to the Raphael Recanati International School staff for advice and assistance. Before commencing studies, all students must clarify their status and eligibility for a student visa (A-2), or Israeli citizenship, with the Israeli embassy or consulate in their country of origin. A student visa should be obtained in advance, in the student's country of origin. International students who are children of an Israeli parent must settle all matters, such as deferment of military service, with the nearest Israeli embassy or consulate. The Jewish Agency provides advice and assistance to students considering immigrating to Israel.

See: www.jewishagency.org/JewishAgency/English/Aliyah/ and for North America/UK: www.nbn.org.il

HEALTH INSURANCE

All Reichman University students are required to have comprehensive health insurance coverage throughout the entire period of their studies. Israeli residents, including new immigrants, receive national health insurance for a low monthly fee, in accordance with the country's health insurance legislation. International students who are not covered by Israel's national health insurance (bituach leumi) should purchase their own health insurance policy to cover their medical needs while in Israel, or purchase the UMS HAREL YEDIDIM insurance policy for international students, offered by Reichman University.

Our special arrangement with HAREL YEDIDIM insurance company provides comprehensive health coverage for $1,600 USD* per academic year, which will be charged at the beginning of each year.

In order to have continuous coverage, the policy is automatically renewed from one academic year to the next, until the end of the program, unless the student notifies the school in writing that he/she wishes to cancel.

*Rates are subject to change according to insurance company rate fluctuations.
Of the student population of Reichman University are international students. RRIS is the largest academic absorption center in Israel.
CAMPUS LIFE AT REICHMAN UNIVERSITY

International Festival

Discover Israel - Rafting on the North Trip

Hanukkah Reception

Poland Trip - RRIS Delegation

Stand Up Comedy Night

Orientation Trip - Group Activities
ALUMNI

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