



Office of the Registrar & Student Financial Aid
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Instructions for completing the 2017-2018 application for financial aid

Hebrew College's comprehensive financial aid program assists students in developing a financial plan to support their education. Should you have any questions about financial aid options, the application process or the status of your application, please call the Financial Aid Office, 617-559-8642 (Office hours are: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) or send an email to financialaid@hebrewcollege.edu.

Confidentiality: All financial aid information supplied by the applicant is considered confidential and will not be made available to any individual or entity not directly connected with granting financial aid at Hebrew College.

Eligibility: Financial aid is available to matriculated students in degree programs only. Aid may be awarded to newly accepted candidates in most of Hebrew College's degree programs, and to continuing matriculated degree candidates in good academic standing. **Students must re-apply for aid each year.** Aid may be given in the form of merit scholarships, fellowships, and need-based aid grants from the college. All financial aid granted by the College applies only to tuition. Federal aid, if you qualify, may apply to both tuition and outside costs such as living expenses.

To qualify for financial aid, the student must:

- Be accepted to one of Hebrew College's degree programs
- Take a minimum of 6 credits per semester in both the fall and spring semesters (you may still qualify for federal aid if you have less than 6 credits left to take to complete your degree program. Please speak to the Financial Aid Office).
- Be in good academic standing within the student's program of study
- Have no outstanding tuition and fees owed to Hebrew College from previous years
- Meet federal guidelines to receive federal aid

Deadlines: Information needed for this application is based on your federal income taxes filed on or about April 15, 2016. Yes, the 2017-2018 FAFSA application is based on your taxes from the 2015 year which you filed on or about April 15, 2016.

New Admissions Applicants: The Hebrew College financial aid application should be submitted with your admissions application. The FAFSA may be submitted online any time as early as October 1, 2016. Also, please remember that if you are accepted and you defer enrollment, **a new financial aid application will be required by March 1st** prior to the planned start of your program. The Hebrew College Financial Aid application and the FAFSA are required each year.

Continuing Matriculated students: You must reapply for financial aid each year. **The completed Hebrew College Financial Aid application and your FAFSA information are due by March 1st each year.** Applications received after the deadline will be accepted, but the amount of aid available may be limited.

◆ **All applicants who are U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens:** You MUST complete the online Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). *For the 2017-2018 academic year, the information requested by FAFSA is based on the federal taxes you filed on April 15, 2016* *Non-US Citizens See below.*

If you are applying as a new student, you may complete the FAFSA as early as October 1, 2016. For more information or to complete the FAFSA application form, go to www.fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA information will be sent to you and the college automatically. The Hebrew College Code is 002157. (Please note: we will not process this information until we receive your Hebrew College Financial Aid Application **and** you are accepted to a degree program at Hebrew College.)

◆ **Federal Income Taxes must be completed and filed.** The Tax information on which the 2017-2018 Fafsa application is based was due to be filed on April 15, 2016—this is your tax return for the 2015 fiscal year. *If you completed a Fafsa last year, the information you put in this year MUST match what you entered last year—except for “life” information which includes now being married, divorced, a new child, etc. The dollar amounts will all be the same; the personal info may be different.*

You will be asked to answer a series of questions which will update the financial information and take into account that you may have married/divorced or had children or become unemployed since April 15, 2016.

Please note that if your FAFSA application is selected for verification, you will be required to submit an official IRS tax transcript during the verification process. No aid can be disbursed until the verification process is completed.

◆ **If you are Not Required to File Federal Income Taxes:** A non-tax filer must submit a signed statement that he/she has not filed and is not required to file federal income taxes. You must also provide W-2 or 1099 forms to verify your income for the year.

◆ **Foreign students/Non-US citizens must supply income information.** A foreign student is a non-eligible non-citizen if they are in the U.S. on a visa including the student F-1 visa issued through the school. You are still required to supply income information even if your income is from a country other than the U.S. All information must be supplied in writing and in English showing U.S. Dollar amounts. *As a non-eligible foreign student, you are not eligible to complete the FAFSA.*

◆ **Foreign students must supply Visa information.** If you are in the U.S. on a visa other than an F-1 student visa received through Hebrew College, you must provide a copy of your passport and visa.

◆ *If there is any other relevant information that would help us to understand your needs, please attach a typed statement to the application explaining any other considerations we should be taking into account.*



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2017-2018 APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL AID

Please answer all questions, then sign and date the form. Remember to write clearly.

Name [] Mr. [] Ms. [] Other _____
Legal Name: First, Middle, Last

Social Security Number _____ Student ID _____
Required of new applicants Continuing matriculated students only

Date of Birth _____ [] Male [] Female [] Other

Current Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____ (cell) _____

Email _____

Permanent Address (if different than current) _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Citizenship [] U.S. citizen [] Permanent U.S. resident
[] Other: What Country? _____ Visa Type _____

Most Recent Occupation _____ Job Title _____

Employer _____

Business Address _____

Annual Salary _____ Dates of Employment _____

[] Single [] Married [] Divorced [] Widow/er

Spouse Name: _____ Occupation _____

Spouse Business Address/Phone _____

Dependent Children (continue on separate sheet if necessary)

1. (Name/age) _____

(School or college attending/tuition cost) _____

2. (Name/age) _____

(School or college attending/tuition cost) _____

3. (Name/age) _____

(School or college attending/tuition cost) _____

[] Yes [] No Do you receive any financial support from family members?

[] Yes [] No Do you receive any financial support from other sources?

[] Yes [] No Do you participate in a tuition assistance program at your place of employment?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please specify source and amount

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Do you own or rent your residence? Own Rent

Monthly mortgage or rental payment _____

Please list the total value of each category below:

Cash, savings and checking accounts: _____

Current market value of your home _____ Amount owed on this property _____

Automobile(s) _____

What other schools are you attending? _____

What is your annual tuition at the above institution(s)? _____

Are you receiving any federal student aid from the above school? Yes No

In which Hebrew College program are you currently matriculated or applying to?

- Rabbinical School—fulltime Jewish Studies program with Rabbinic ordination (MJSR)
- Rabbinical School—fulltime Education program with Rabbinic ordination (MJER)
- Rabbinical School—fulltime Jewish Studies program with Rabbinic ordination with 2 year Mekorot Program (MJSR2)
- Rav-Hazzan Program—fulltime Education program with Rabbinic & Cantorial ordination (MJERK)
- Rav-Hazzan Program—fulltime Jewish Studies program with Rabbinic & Cantorial ordination (MJSRK)
- Mekorot preparatory 1-year program only (MKRT)
- Mekorot preparatory 2-year program only (MKRT2)
- Cantor-Educator Program—fulltime program with ordination (CEP)
- Cantorial Ordination for Spiritual and Educational Leadership (COSEL) Programs (Education) (MJEK)
- Cantorial Ordination for Spiritual and Educational Leadership (COSEL) Programs (Jewish Studies) (MJSK)
- Master of Jewish Education (MJE)
- Master of Arts in Jewish Studies (MAJS)
- Dual Program Master of Jewish Education/Master of Arts in Jewish Studies (MJEJS)
- Master of Jewish Liberal Studies (MJLS)
- Bachelor of Arts in Jewish Studies (BAJS)
- Bachelor of Jewish Education (BJE)

How many total credits will you take this year? (Year = summer, fall and spring) _____

Are you planning to work during the school year? (If so, please describe proposed work and salary)

Expected graduation date: _____

I am a Rabbinic student who will be in Israel next year: Dates: _____

Signature: I hereby certify that the information given above is complete and accurate.

Signature of applicant

Date

If you wish to supply additional information, you may attach additional page(s) to this form

Please review the Application before returning your completed form.

*Make sure you have answered all questions. **Please send the application only—not the instruction pages.***