



## Irving I. Stone Beit Midrash Program

Established in 1995 through the benefaction of the Irving I. Stone Support Foundation, the Irving I. Stone Beit Midrash Program (SBMP) offers students a Jewish studies program that recognizes their special aptitude to create an educated and committed Yeshiva graduate with a broad base of knowledge. In addition to Talmud *sefer* (preparation period) and *shiur* (lecture), the program includes courses in Bible, *Machshevet Yisrael* (Jewish thought, ethics, and philosophy) and *Halakhah* (Jewish law). Students benefit from this environment.

SBMP provides preparation for both ordination at the university's affiliated Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary and for advanced graduate Hebraic or Semitic studies. The program are available to their

as Shabbat.

A strong complement of *mashgichim* (spiritual guidance counselors) who staff the various Batei Midrash for regular morning and night *sedarim* helps students in their learning and spiritual growth. Additionally each *shiur* has a *shoel u'maishiv* (teaching mentor) to help students in their learning and ensure newcomers a smooth transition to SBMP from either high school or Israel Yeshiva experience.

Students may transfer up to 3 credits per semester toward completion of their undergraduate college degrees at Yeshiva College and Sy Syms School of Business.

### ADMISSION

To qualify for admission, a student must be interviewed by a dean or administrator of Talmudic passages as well as a simultaneously attend Yeshiva C

### SCHOOL REGULATIONS

**Attendance:** Students are expected to attend all their scheduled class sessions and to be present promptly at the beginning of the hour, unless prevented from doing so by illness or other compelling cause. The instructor keeps a record of each student's class attendance.

A student's attendance record is taken into account when determining his continuing status in the program. Continued unexcused absences of more than 50% of the scheduled sessions will result in the student receiving a grade of a G for the course, which may lead to probation or academic dismissal from the school.

Permission to register late in a course does not in itself excuse the student's absence from classes already held.



**Probation:** Students that do not maintain a GPA above 2.000 will be placed on probation for the next academic semester. Students on full academic probation are limited to 12 credits in Yeshiva College or Sy Syms. Other restrictions follow those of the undergraduate schools as noted in the catalog.

Students with two consecutive semesters or three semesters overall of work below a 2.000 are subject to dismissal from the school. Students must show positive progression through the program and cannot graduate if in their last semester they receive less than a 2.000 GPA.

**ETHICS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

Faculty and students alike seek