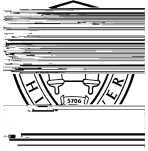
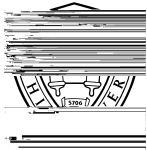


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Our students learn and go forth, as both educated and ethical people, to share their own special talents and wisdom with society. Our faculty's research, academic work and scholarly writings help bring wisdom to many of the most pressing social, political, medical, legal and human rights issues facing the world today.

Our University serves as a platform to bring Yeshiva's collective wisdom to the world through our community outreach, publications, seminars and broad range of academic programs.

At Yeshiva University, teaching the knowledge and values that bring wisdom to life is not only our mission — it is our proud tradition.

HISTORY AND LEADERSHIP

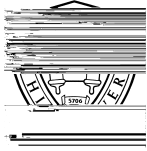
Yeshiva University traces its origins to Yeshiva Eitz Chaim, established in 1886 on New York's Lower East Side. In 1896, Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS) was founded; it was chartered in 1897 by the New York State Board of Regents. In 1915, the two schools merged under the leadership of Dr. Bernard Revel, the first president of the newly combined school, who served as president until his death in 1940.

The institution pursued educational development and growth under Dr. Revel's leadership. In 1929, the institution moved to its main campus (now the Wilf Campus) in Manhattan's Washington Heights. Liberal arts programs began with the establishment of Yeshiva College in 1928, and the first graduate curriculum (in Jewish studies) was introduced in 1935.

The election of Dr. Samuel Belkin as president in 1943 inaugurated a new era of expansion. In 1945, the New York State Board of Regents granted the school University status. The institution initiated programs of general and professional studies, research and special projects to benefit many constituencies. These included a college of liberal arts and sciences for women and graduate schools of medicine, law, social work and psychology.

Following Dr. Belkin's death, Dr. Norman Lamm was elected president in 1976. He undertook a complete review of the University's structure and operations and significantly expanded undergraduate study opportunities to include a new undergraduate school of business. He also enriched graduate and professional school resources and established a carefully monitored fiscal system and development program to further the University's goals. After 27 years of service to the University, Dr. Lamm became the school's chancellor and retains the title of Rosh HaYeshiva (head of school) of RIETS.

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as president and international director of Hillel: The Foundation for Jewish Campus Life, where he greatly expanded programs, activities and branches in the nation and around the world.

Under President Joel's leadership, the University has created a number of centers and institutes to consolidate the vast intellectual resources of the University and to create cross-disciplinary dialogues both within and without the institution.

The Center for the Jewish Future runs programs that infuse the student body with a spirit of leadership and responsibility to the people of Israel and builds and supports communities and their rabbinic and lay leaders in order to shape, enrich and inspire the contemporary Jewish community across North America and abroad. The Rabbi Arthur Schneier Center for International Affairs invites experts in diverse global issues to open an educational forum for the exchange of ideas on crucial political and social topics. The Center for Ethics fosnlm1,pcoutuin th(thd issu