

The Tikvah Hebrew Program at the Middlebury Language Schools

June 22 - July 19

This summer, Middlebury Language Schools will offer an intensive four-week program in Modern and Biblical Hebrew. This program is intended as preparation for the Tikvah Project at Princeton University's seminar, *Jewish Thought and Enduring Human Questions*, which runs from July 22 – Aug 8. Hebrew reading competence is not a requirement for the Princeton program. However, such skill will be of great service there, since close reading of texts will be emphasized. Students who are accepted to the Princeton program will be able to enroll in the Tikvah Hebrew Program at MLS at no cost (space permitting). The program is intended for beginners, so no prior knowledge of Modern or Biblical Hebrew is required.



Curriculum: Students will be expected to take the famous Middlebury Language Pledge: to only speak Hebrew during their stay. Instruction will take the form of four to five hours of classroom instruction each day, along with homework and opportunities to use the language in social and cultural contexts. Students will emerge with significant competence in both Modern and Biblical Hebrew and will have the opportunity to read texts in the original Hebrew that will be discussed as part of the Princeton program.

Life at Middlebury: Students will live on campus with their School of Hebrew colleagues, a group with a diverse range of Hebrew language abilities. Native Hebrew speakers will also live with the students and help them develop their conversational skills.

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