

Elie Wiesel Center for Judaic Studies

Our Impact

Ancient Jewish civilization emerged from interactions: with Egypt and Persia, Greece and Rome. Jewish Studies thrive on interaction as well: across disciplines, in small classrooms, fostering critical inquiry and informed appreciation of Jewish civilization in its many iterations, centered in sacred traditions, rooted in their place of origin, and flourishing across the globe.

BU has a **long and distinguished record in Jewish Studies**, including the presence on its faculty for nearly forty years of **Elie Wiesel**, our center's namesake and the 1986 Nobel Laureate for Peace.

Our students explore biblical and late ancient Jewish text and material culture, medieval mysticism, Jewish philosophy, European Jewish history and the Holocaust, Hebrew literature and contemporary Judaism, all as part of their general education or to **ready them for careers** in Jewish communal life and leadership.

Drawing on visiting faculty, guest speakers, and performing artists, the Elie Wiesel Center makes Jewish creativity relevant across campus and the Boston area.

Through dedicated undergraduate and graduate funding we have made BU **one of the best places in the country** to study Jewish civilization across the ages, comparatively, and in depth.

We enrich the undergraduate experience by **supporting Jewish studies abroad**, including in Padua, Haifa, and Jerusalem.



Boston University College of Arts & Sciences



Your impact

Here is how you can help us maintain and develop this program:

- o \$100 to \$1,000 will help us **build the Judaica library**.
- \$4,000 to \$5,000 will boost undergraduate and graduate student travel for research, conferences, and study abroad, including in Israel.
- o \$10,000 to \$20,000 will establish **undergraduate and graduate prizes** for excellence in writing and research.
- o \$100,000 will provide an endowment for an **annual lecture or** conference fund.
- \$300,000 to \$500,000 will provide an endowed scholarship for a highly deserving undergraduate or accomplished graduate student.
- \$1 million to \$2 million will endow a visiting faculty chair that could be offered to an outstanding scholar on sabbatical or as a post-doctoral fellowship to a gifted young scholar.
- \$2.5 million to \$5 million will endow a major professorship in crucial curricular areas not currently covered on a regular basis, such as Israel studies, or Talmud & Midrash.

With its location in Boston, BU is in an extraordinary position to draw on a wide range of faculty and libraries. With your support we can increase our profile, round out our curriculum, and foster excellence in Jewish studies that can serve as a national and international model.

For more information, visit bu.edu/judaicstudies.

