

The Seymour Fox Melton Centre for Jewish Education at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
and Herzog College

Invite you to participate in an academic conference on:

Navigating Challenges in Jewish Values Education in Israel and the Diaspora in the Aftermath of October 7th

The conference will be held at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Mount Scopus campus
Tuesday and Wednesday, 20–21 Iyyar, 5784, May 28–29, 2024

Program:

Tuesday evening, 20 Iyyar | May 28, 2024

8:00 PM Opening event (will take place via Zoom [link here>>](#))

8:00–8:30 PM Welcome: Prof. Michal Muszkat-Barkan

Keynote lecture (in English):

Dr. Sivan Zakai and Dr. Lauren Applebaum, HUC - "It Scares Me Even More":
How American Jewish children think about October 7th and its aftermath

8:30–9:00 PM Respondents: Dr. Adi Sherzer, Melton Centre, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem;

Prof. Rona Novick, Azrieli Graduate School, Yeshiva University, New York

Wednesday, 21 Iyyar | May 29, 2024

Maiersdorf House, Mount Scopus Campus, Hebrew University

Program (In Hebrew):

8:30–9:00 AM Registration and Convening

8:30–9:00 AM Welcome: Rabbi Dr. Aharon Buzaglo, Herzog College
Greetings: Rabbi Prof. Yehuda Brandes, President of Herzog College
Dr. Noga Bing - Director of the Melton Centre

9:30–11:15 AM **Opening session:**
'Covenant of Fate and Covenant of Destiny'
Chair: Dr. Noga Bing, Melton Centre

Prof. Avinoam Rosenak, Melton Centre – Events That Generate Concepts:
From the 'Unity of Opposites' to a Covenant of 'Fate' and 'Destiny' -
Reflective Observations

Dr. Tanya Zion-Waldoks, Melton Centre – Focus on Gender and 'Burned
at the Stake': On Educational and Political Alliances, Opportunities and
Challenges

Dr. Avichai Kellerman, Herzog College – 'Who trains my hands for battle':
Values Education in the Aftermath of the War

Dr. Yehudit Chassida, Herzog College – A Covenant of Destiny: Ultra-
Orthodox Women Teachers in Religious Zionist Educational Settings

11:15–11:45 Break

11:45 AM–1:15 PM **Session 2: Panel of Diaspora Researchers**
Values Education in the Diaspora in Light of the
Current Challenges
Chair: Dr. Shalom Berger, Herzog College

Dr. Howard Deitcher, Melton Centre - Educational changes and
challenges in a strong and vibrant Jewish community: Jewish schools in
Australia in 2024

Dr. Barry Kislowicz, Herzog College - Challenges of Growth: South
Florida Schools and Communities 2021–2024

Dr. Nadia Beider, Melton Centre - Walking a tightrope: Values education
in a complex reality

Dr. Eliezer Schilt, UnitEd - "Israel so far, so close: Current challenges of
Jewish schools in France"

1:15– 2:15 Lunch

2:15–3:45 PM **Session 3: Researchers Discuss Values Challenges**
in Jewish Education: "TED-Talk"-style presentations
followed by a discussion

Chair: Amichai Bannett, Herzog Global

Rabbi Prof. Yehuda Brandes, President of Herzog College - Moral
education during wartime

Prof. Michal Muszkat-Barkan, Melton Centre - Refining identities and
identifying a common identity: Integrated education as a case study

Dr. Adi Sherzer, Melton Centre - Jewish Engagement: Education for
loyalty and education for critical action

Open discussion groups

3:45–4:00 PM Break

4:00–5:00 PM Student Research on Values in Jewish Education:

Avital Brenner, The Hebrew University - Jewish women deciding Jewish
law

Anat Infeld, The Hebrew University - Education for Jewish communities
in Israel: Goals and challenges

Ma'ayan Deitcher, Herzog College - Humility: A philosophical paradox
and an educational challenge

Shmuel Avidan, Herzog College - The effect of digital culture on
religious young people's perception of masculinity

5:00–5:15 PM Concluding Remarks

**Participation in the conference is free, but registration is required. A light lunch and refreshments will be served during the conference.
For registration – click here>>**

Sincerely,

Rabbi Dr. Aharon Buzaglo, Dr. Amos Geula, Herzog College
Dr. Noga Bing, Dr. Howard Deitcher, Melton Centre
The Organizing Committee