



SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CURRICULUM

"Appreciating the Contemporary Through the Prism of the Past"

The goal of the Senior Fellowship is to be a natural development of all the skills and ideas in Jewish thought that a Fellow has gained during their stay in Fellowship. The classes, mainly taught by Rabbi Pinny Rosenthal, are built around appreciating the past through the prism of the future. We'll learn about modern Jewish figures, such as Menachem Begin, Ze'ev Jabotinsky, and Rav Soloveitchik, with the goal to show how issues they faced in their lives are very much present throughout Tanach. The general arc of the class is designed to follow the journey of a Ba'al Teshuva, by tracing the steps of redemption of the Jewish people. The Jews, while enslaved in Egypt, started out as idolaters, and through a number of steps became liberated and received the Torah at Sinai. Senior Fellows will also have the great opportunity to hear from other MJE Educators throughout the year, such as Rabbi Wildes, Heller and Cohen, and other guest speakers.

Below are some topics covered in the class.

1. Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur
2. Our Forefathers
3. Gender Rules
4. Perils of Jewish Success
5. Erev Thanksgiving Q & A
6. The Stockholm Syndrome and the Jews
7. Personal Prayer
8. Crying out to Hashem
9. Leaders in Israel
10. Yom Tov & Shabbat Kitchen
11. Lying for Profit vs. Lying for peace