Syllabus

This course is intended to provide international academics at the Weizmann Institute with enriching skills of the Hebrew language. The course will develop the Hebrew knowledge of vocabulary and grammar structures. Students will expand their reading, writing and communication skills in the Hebrew language, including:

- Common language formats
- Conversational skills
- Slang and idioms
- Exposure to Israeli culture, including the Israeli holidays.
- Vocabulary enrichment
- Nouns
- Adjectives
- Verbs - present, past, imperative
- Syntactic structures of the simple sentence, the nominal and complex sentences
- Prepositions and their use

There will be 2 lectures of 2 academic hours, each twice a week for 12 weeks (a total of 48 academic hours). There will be a break during the Jewish Passover Holiday and the National Holidays following it.

Restrictions:

Students are required to catch up classes. A minimum of 10 students is required for the course to run.

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate competency of Hebrew

- Use every day vocabulary and communication skills
- Show reading skills and reading comprehension of Hebrew.
- Apply writing skills, including digital media: email, chat, SMS, etc.
- Comprehend spoken Hebrew
- Distinguish between formal (e.g. written) and informal language
- Read news in Hebrew at beginner’s level

Required reading:

Textbook: To succeed in Hebrew