



The English Department

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Department Goals

The English Department at David Yellin aims to prepare teachers of English as a foreign language (EFL) for successful careers in elementary and secondary schools. Trainees develop their own English proficiency skills, as well as knowledge of English literature, linguistics and practical and theoretical methodology of language teaching.

Program of Studies

Studies include written and oral proficiency skills, English literature and culture, pedagogical grammar, applied linguistics and a wide range of elective courses, such as: technology in the English classroom, creative activities, drama and EFL language policy. In addition, students carry out supervised teaching practice in schools.

Ethos

Students in the English department come from diverse backgrounds, showing the true meaning of 'English as an International Language'. In order to broaden students' cultural and professional horizons, students and staff participate together in department events such as 'English Day', meeting English-speaking authors and visits to the theater. These activities complement the regular studies to give the English department a special atmosphere.

Admission Requirements

1. A grade of 100% in the English section of the psychometric exam or 200 in the Amir / Amiram test.
2. Students applying to the Secondary school track need a grade of 70% in 5 point English bagrut.
Students applying to the elementary / special education / anthroposophic. school tracks : 85% in 4 point English Bagrut or 70% in 5 points.
3. All students in all tracks and including academic retraining must pass a short written test and interview with the head of the English Department.

Requirements to begin practice teaching

- A high level of spoken and written English proficiency. This will be tested in the first year and students deemed unable to start teaching practice will need to wait another year.