

Bringing the Best Curriculum to Jewish High Schools

For over 30 years, the Florence Melton School has created rigorous, meaningful, transformative curriculum for adults. Building on its proven success in Adult Jewish Learning in communities across the world, the Florence Melton School has pioneered the Florence Melton High School Initiative. In this partnership, each school works with a Hebrew University-based team to customize course materials to meet the needs of their students.

From our participating schools:

“ Rabbi Jethro Berkman, Dean of Jewish Studies at Gann Academy, Boston
The care with which the source books have been developed is quite evident, and the texts themselves and the unit divisions align nicely with our learning goals for our students. The students ... like having a single source book, and our teachers are able to spend more time focusing on their pedagogy and on careful lesson planning, now that they are freed from the need to collect texts and develop curricular materials. Melton has been an active partner in making this curriculum work at Gann. ...I am enthusiastic about the future of this partnership.

“ Toby Mac, High School Teacher at Bialik College, Melbourne, Australia
Adapting Florence Melton's Purposes of Jewish Living course for my 9th Grade students has been a wonderful experience. At their age they are beginning to think about and discuss their Jewish ideas and beliefs and this course gives them access to a wide variety of ideas and concepts, thus helping them develop their own world view. The course and the accompanying reader has thus encouraged fruitful and vigorous discussion about God, Judaism, and the Jewish people. Furthermore, it has provided my students with a deeper understanding of the breadth of opinions within the Jewish world. Many were of the impression that Orthodox Judaism, and Judaism prior to modernity, were monolithic. This course has instead opened my students to the wonders of the Talmud, Jewish thought and the '70 faces of the Torah.'

Available courses:

Over the years, the Florence Melton School has developed a reputation of excellence in the world of adult learning and has expanded beyond its signature **core curriculum** to a large offering of **scholars courses** on topics in Jewish civilization (literature, history, culture) and a comprehensive torah study curriculum.

For a list of **core courses** see:

www.meltonschool.org/melton-core-curriculum

For a list of **scholars courses** see:

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And now your high schools can benefit from the proven successes of Florence Melton Learning!

