



OHALAH Rabbinic Student Membership Application

OHALAH is an association of rabbis and cantors interested in and committed to Jewish Renewal.

We share learning, *chaverschaft*, *tefillah* and opportunities for personal, professional and spiritual growth during our annual conference and day-to-day on our email discussion list.

OHALAH maintains a website at www.ohalah.org.

OHALAH's Membership Committee reviews student membership applications on an ongoing basis. *Please note that this application is for rabbinic students; there is a separate application for cantorial students.*

Applications are reviewed and determinations reached within 90 days of receipt of your payment and completion of this application form.

What You'll Need to Upload in this Application:

- **Letter from your institution** verifying that you have completed at least one year of study and listing the anticipated date when you will enter your last year of rabbinic study. **If you are entering your last year of rabbinic study**, please include a letter from your institution that states this.

- **Two Letters of Recommendation** from teachers, mentors, supervisors or rabbis who can attest to your character and capacity as a rabbinic student and future rabbi.

- **Personal Compatibility Reflection Statement**

OHALAH only accepts applications for rabbinic student members from individuals who are currently enrolled in and have completed at least one year of study at, one of the institutions listed below. *If your school or program is **NOT listed below**, you will still be able to apply for full membership once you have received your ordination.*

Abraham Geiger College
Academy for Jewish Religion
Academy for Jewish Religion, California
ALEPH Rabbinic Program
American Jewish University Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies
B'nai Or Religious Fellowship (predecessor to ALEPH)
Hebrew College Rabbinical School
Hebrew Seminary: A Rabbinical School for Deaf and Hearing
Hebrew Union College/Jewish Institute of Religion
Institute for Traditional Judaism
Jewish Theological Seminary
Jews College - London College of Jewish Studies
Leo Baeck College
P'nai Or Religious Fellowship (predecessor to ALEPH)
Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies
Seminario Rabbinico Latinamericano University of Judaism (predecessor to the AJU Ziegler School)
Yeshivat Chovevei Torah
Yeshivat Maharat
Yeshivat Tomchei T'mimim
Yeshiva University - Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary

AFTER ORDINATION

When a rabbinic student member provides written verification to OHALAH that they have entered their last year of study, they become a Senior Student Member and their fees are waived. Once a student has obtained ordination, they will only need to provide a scan or photo of their ordination document to be welcomed as a full member to OHALAH.

Student Status

Student: I've completed at least one year of study.

Senior Student: I've entered my final year of study.

Please complete the following personal information.

First / Last name*

Name as you want it to appear on Membership Roster (if different from above)*

Hebrew Name

Name of institution where you are enrolled, and month/year you began studying.*

Address*

Email address*

Mobile Phone Number*

Home Phone Number

Name of Employer

Having an employer is not a requirement for membership.

Work Address

Work Phone Number

COMPATABILITY

OHALAH includes rabbis and cantors from across the streams of Judaism. We seek to provide a warm, welcoming atmosphere during our conference, distance learning and discussions and on our e-mail discussion list. This requires a breadth of acceptance and tolerance for one another and the vast depth of diversity in customs, practice, politics, faith and understanding.

Please share some reflections about the extent to which you are able to embrace a collegial relationship with others whose customs, practice, politics, faith and understanding differ from yours in the areas of (1) the relationship of other faiths and spiritual paths to Judaism, (2) egalitarianism, (3) sexual orientation and gender identity, (4) patrilineal descent, (5) interfaith couples and families, (6) political views with which you disagree, including views on Israel. In addition, please address the questions *“why do you wish to join OHALAH?”* and *“what is it about the core values of Jewish Renewal that resonates for you?”*

Upload a document of your personal compatibility reflections here.*

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Students: Obtain a letter from your institution verifying that you have completed at least one of study, and listing the *anticipated* date when you will enter your last year of rabbinic studies.

Senior Students: Obtain a letter from your institution verifying that you have entered your final year of study.*

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Obtain two brief letters of recommendation from teachers, mentors, supervisors, or rabbis who can attest to your character and your capacity as a rabbinic student and future rabbi.*

Please be sure that letters include the typed or legibly printed name and professional title of the person making the recommendation.

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Second Letter of Recommendation*

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Other Rabbinic Associations

A. Do you belong to another rabbinic association?*

Yes No

B. If yes, which one?

C. Also, if "yes," please read Article 3.2.1. of OHALAH's Bylaws. *A complete copy of our Bylaws is available in the About Us/Policies section of our [website](#).*

"3.2.1 Members of Other Rabbinical or Cantorial Associations. Any member of OHALAH may also be a member of another Rabbinical or Cantorial Association, in accordance with the rules and procedures of that Association."

D. Have you ever been denied membership in a rabbinic association?*

Yes No

E. Have you ever been suspended, expelled, placed on probation or been subject to other action for the non-payment of dues?*

Yes No

F. Have you ever been denied membership, or have you ever been suspended, expelled, placed on probation or been subject to other disciplinary action by any other professional association for sexual or monetary impropriety?*

Yes No

G. Have you ever been convicted of a felony (or its equivalent outside the United States) or have you ever pled "no contest" to a felony (or its equivalent outside the United)?*

Yes No

If you answered "yes" to questions D, E, F or G above, please attach an explanation.

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Student Membership Fees: \$18*

Students in their last year of study are considered Senior Students and their membership fees are waived.

I am applying for Student Membership

I am applying for Senior Student Membership

DECLARATION

My answers to all the questions on the above application and the accompanying verification and recommendations are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby apply for membership in OHALAH.

All OHALAH members are subject to the Ethics Code found [here](#). By signing this document, I agree to abide by the OHALAH Ethics Code.

Name and Date (--/--/----)*

Signature*



Accepted cards

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