



Regev Ben-David — Israeli (26)

Regev is pursuing a joint B.A. degree in psychology and the interdisciplinary Amirim honors program at Hebrew University. After high school, Regev volunteered for a year of communal service with the Bnei Hamoshavim youth movement, and afterwards served as an officer in the Intelligence corps of the IDF for six years. He participated in and later guided the Elul program of the Ein Prat Academy for Leadership. Regev is also a group facilitator with Gesher, where he focuses on educational projects involving Jewish and Israeli identity and religious/secular dialogue, as well as at the Menachem Begin Heritage Center. He was on the Humanities Dean's List and won the Suss Scholarship for Academic Achievement.



Eli Bing —Israeli (26)

Eli will be completing a joint B.A. degree in law and economics at Hebrew University (Dean's List) this coming year. He will also receive teaching certification in civics from Efrata College. Eli currently works with a government committee dealing with compensation entitlement for Gush Katif evacuees. He served three years in the IDF in the education division as a teacher for both Ethiopian and other new immigrants as well as high school dropouts. Eli participated in a special program which combined two years of study at a yeshiva on the religious kibbutz Ein Tsurim with full army service. He is a fan of sports, reading and the Hapoel Jerusalem basketball team and is married to Reut.



Shani Cohen – Israeli/American (23)

Shani received her B.A in political science and philosophy from the Hebrew University with honors in 2009. During and after her studies, she worked at the Israel Democracy Institute and as a research assistant on topics ranging from the globalization of higher education to information sharing in the public sector. Shani did her civil service at the Hotline for Migrant Workers, an Israeli human rights NGO, where she offered paralegal aid to migrant workers, asylum seekers and unaccompanied minors. In the future, she hopes to combine her interest in political thought with civil society work.



Oren Danieli — Israeli (25)

Oren is enrolled in the Lautman interdisciplinary honors program at Tel Aviv University. He is pursuing a M.A. in economics as well as a B.A. in mathematics in addition to taking courses in political science, public policy and history. In the IDF, Oren was an intelligence officer and led projects that contributed to Israel's national security. Prior to his military service, he volunteered for a year of community service and lived in a commune with 17 of his friends, initiating a wide range of volunteer projects including human rights education and dialogue between Arabs and Jews and secular and religious Jews. In the future, he hopes to use economic tools to enhance social welfare.



Roei Duani —Israeli (27)

Roei is completing his B.A. in communications and political science in the direct program to the M.A. in political communication at Bar-Ilan University. He also plans to begin the M.A. in law program this summer. As a Stand With Us Fellow, Roei co-founded and managed a project in Harbin, China involving exhibitions, lectures and Israeli-Chinese student panels, with the goal of building cultural bridges linking the two countries. He is also an active volunteer in the StandWithUS alumni program. In his capacity as a firearm instructor, Roei meets a wide variety of people from all over the world and believes that, notwithstanding all the new communication technology, there is no replacement for face-to-face interaction.



Deborah Garel —Israeli/French (23)

Deborah is completing her master's degree in terrorism, security and society at King's College in London. She received her B.A. in government (*magna cum laude*) from the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya. At IDC, she interned at the Institute for Counter-Terrorism. In London, she worked for the Center for Social Cohesion, the International Center for the Study of Radicalization and Political Violence, and the Jewish Leadership Council. In the future, she plans to work in public diplomacy and communications in order to help Israel improve its international image.



Avner Golov —Israeli/German (27)

Avner is enrolled in the M.A. program in government at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, where he recently completed his B.A. (Dean's List) in government as an Argov Fellow in Leadership and Diplomacy. Avner served as a combat officer in the Israel Air Force. He has volunteered with children at risk in Tel Aviv and with students with learning disabilities at IDC. Avner also volunteered at the Institute of Zionist Strategy as an active member of the Youth Leadership Forum. He plans to pursue a career in the Israeli security community.



Yoav Hilman —Israeli (30)

Yoav is a certified lawyer who is currently enrolled in an international master's degree program at the Graduate School of Public Policy of Tokyo University on a full scholarship awarded by the Japanese government. Yoav received his LLB (*magna cum laude*) and his B.A. in East Asian Studies (*summa cum laude*) from Tel Aviv University. As an undergraduate, Yoav studied as an exchange student at Wasada University in Tokyo and served as the Japanese correspondent for the *Maariv* daily newspaper. He has also spent more than three years traveling and living in East Asia, Australia, Africa and the United States.



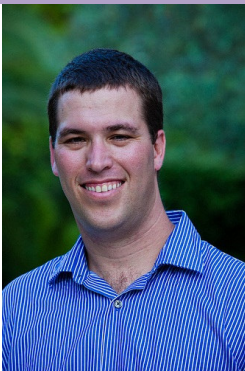
Yossi Horesh —Israeli (29)

Yossi serves as an analyst for the Reut Institute where he works with high-level decision makers to affect a strategic shift in Israel's approach to emergency preparedness. He previously directed logistics and operations for an international medical company in Shanghai, China. Yossi completed his B.A. in economics and business management at the Hebrew University. He interned with StandWithUs in the United States, leading several Israel advocacy missions, as well as with Clal Finance Ltd. Prior to his studies, Yossi served for four and a half years in the Paratroops brigade, reaching the rank of captain. In the future, he hopes to enter the Israeli public sphere and work towards meeting Israel's strategic challenges.



Elad Kaspo —Israeli (32)

Elad recently completed his B.A. degrees in government and business management at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, where he also received a certificate in European studies and was an Argov Fellow in Leadership and Diplomacy. He received two citations for excellence for his service in the Israeli Air Force as an F-16 mechanic. Elad volunteered in the civil guard and has worked with underprivileged children. At IDC, Elad served as the Foreign Relations Coordinator of the Student Union and participated in the StandWithUs Fellowship. Elad plans a career in the Israeli Foreign Ministry.



Elad Kimelman —Israeli (30)

Elad is pursuing a M.A. in public policy at Hebrew University, where he received his B.A. in politics, economics and philosophy (Dean's List). He also graduated from the Atidim training program for the Israeli public sector. Elad served for 6.5 years in the IDF, reaching the rank of captain and serving as a naval recruitment officer and manpower officer in an intelligence unit. As a Legacy Heritage Fellow, Elad worked at the political section of the Delegation of the European Union to the State of Israel and at the Israeli High-Tech Industry Association. He loves travel, reading and horror movies--he has even played a Zombie in a short horror film.



Tal Kita —Israeli (28)

Tal has served as the CEO of a non-profit organization to help the needy in northern Israel. Previously she was the director of the international program for Kivunim (New Directions), an academic program which focuses on Jewish communities around the world. Tal holds a B.A in government (*cum laude*) from the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, where she was an Argov Fellow in Leadership and Diplomacy. She also earned a diploma in public relations from Haifa University. Tal volunteered for a year as an emissary to the Jewish Students Association of Ottawa, Canada. In the IDF, Tal served as an intelligence officer. Tal loves reading, exercise, theater and travel. She plans to work in the fields of Israel-Diaspora relations and public diplomacy.



Hadar Lavi —Israeli (24)

Hadar grew up in Kfar Saba. In 2002 she was recruited to the IDF Intelligence corps and chose to continue her service as an officer for an additional five years. She is currently pursuing a joint B.A. degree in economics and the Amirim honors program at Hebrew University. This combination enables her to enjoy a wide range of interdisciplinary fields of interest. Hadar plans to pursue a public sector career in the field of economic policy, her main area of interest.



Hadas Lavi —Israeli (23)

Hadas is enrolled in the combined program in law (LLB) and international relations (M.A.) at Haifa University (Dean's List). She has served as a research assistant proposing legislative reforms for sentencing guidelines. In the IDF, Hadas served in the IDF Spokespersons Unit, first at the Israeli desk, and then, as an officer, as the Golan Heights Division Spokesperson. Hadas plays the flute and has played in a municipal conservatory. During her studies, she was a StandWithUs Fellow and a member of the university debate club. Hadas plans to complete her legal internship at a Tel Aviv law firm. She is interested in current events, Hebrew literature, and world travel. Hadas plans a career combining international relations and international law.



Dona Levy —Israeli/French (26)

Dona is the European Liaison at EUNET (European Leadership Network), a non-profit organization seeking to improve Israel's relations with the EU. She is in charge of French and Spanish politicians' delegations to Israel and creates collaborations and strategic dialogues between renowned Israeli and European institutes. Dona is fluent in French, Spanish, English and Hebrew. She received her B.A in communication and human resources management from Haifa University (*magna cum laude*). In the IDF, Dona graduated her officers' course with honors and as a lieutenant (reserve), she served as a weapons instructor for the infantry's combat units.



Elhanan Miron – Israeli (25)

Elhanan was born and raised in Tel Aviv. He attended the Mechina program which combines religious studies with military service in the IDF. Following studies at Mechinat Atzmona, he served in the Paratroopers' elite unit as a combat soldier and as a commander. Currently, Elhanan is completing his LLB at Bar-Ilan University as a participant in the Nivharim honors program (Dean's List). Elhanan is a member of the Bar-Ilan University Law Studies editorial staff. In addition, he is a research assistant in the fields of human rights, religion and state in Israel, and the Israeli constitutional revolution. Ehanan plans to intern at the Israeli Supreme Court.



Hagit Nevo —Israeli

Hagit served as a business development and project manager at Latet, a leading NGO in Israel. Previously she worked as an investor relations manager in an investments and underwriting firm. Hagit also volunteers as a board member and consultant for several organizations in Israel, including Wolfson Hospital, the Israeli Opera, and the Joint-Israel. Hagit holds a B.A. in humanities, literature and history from Bar-Ilan University and is completing her M.A. in government and public policy at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya. Hagit seeks to combine her business skills and NGO experience in order to create and facilitate new models to manage social changes.



Meital Nir-Tal —Israeli (26)

Meital is a graduate student of law and philosophy at Haifa University. At the university, she has served as a research assistant in the field of international labor law; in addition, she has served as the executive assistant to both the Chairman of the Board of Governors and the Vice President for External Relations. Meital was a Jewish Agency emissary in Hong Kong as well as a delegate to the Durban Review Conference on behalf of the Israeli Foreign Ministry. She was a StandWithUs Fellow and a member of the World Jewish Diplomatic Corps. Meital completed her military service as an acting officer in the co-ed combat infantry regiment Karakal. She has published op-eds in the *South China Morning Post*, *Ha'aretz*, *Ynet* and *The Jerusalem Post*.



Shiri Noyman —Israeli (24)

Shiri is enrolled in the LLB program at Haifa University (Dean's list), where she is an editorial board member of *Mishpat U'Mimshal*, the law faculty's journal. She also serves as a teaching assistant for the course "The Right for Equality," a research assistant on the constitutional revolution in Israel, and as a volunteer for several legal projects. Shiri is a member of the university debate club, where she won the 2010 Israel championship and reached the quarter-finals of the 2009 European championship. In the IDF, Shiri served as a behavior diagnostician at the Navy officers' school. In the future, Shiri plans to address issues of social injustice. She loves to travel, to meet new people and to learn something new every day.



Shlomi Pasternak —Israeli (26)

Shlomi is enrolled in the B.A. Amirim honors program at Hebrew University (Dean's List), where he is also studying international relations. During his studies, he participated in several volunteer projects. In the IDF, Shlomi served as an intelligence officer and received several citations for excellence. Prior to his military service, Shlomi was involved in social and political activity, mainly as chairman of the Tel Aviv student council. In the future, he hopes to find the appropriate path to influence and contribute to Israeli policymaking.



Rachel Shakerdge – Israeli (29)

Rachel is a lawyer and mediator. She received her LLB with honors from Bar-Ilan University, where she also received an LLM with honors in an honors program in Jewish law. Rachel practiced law in the international department of the Attorney General of Israel as well as in a large Jerusalem firm. She also worked as a teaching assistant at several universities. Rachel initiated a group, including the Chief Rabbi of Israel and leading jurists, judges, lawyers and professors, in order to promote dialogue between secular and religious figures in the Israeli legal system. Most recently, Rachel coordinated the Governmental Commission for the Examination of the Veterinarian Services. In her free time, she is an amateur designer.



Yahli Shereshevsky –Israeli (28)

Yahli is about to begin his graduate studies in law at the Hebrew University, where he earned his degrees in law and the Amirim honors program (*summa cum laude*). He clerked for Deputy Chief Justice Eliezer Rivlin at the Israeli Supreme Court and interned at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR). As an undergraduate, Yahli received, among others, the Arie (Fefe) Feldman Prize for Social Activity and Academic Excellence. Yahli has just become a father for the first time, and his beautiful son, Eitam, is the most important thing in his life.



Roey Tzezana –Israeli (30)

Roey is currently nearing the end of his Ph.D. studies in nanotechnology at the Technion. In the IDF, Roey was awarded an excellence award for his service as a combat medic. He completed his B.Sc. in biology at the Technion (*magna cum laude*), and has gone on to research tissue engineering and human embryonic stem cells. He kept himself interested in the social, economic and scientific future of Israel, and is writing a blog all about it called Blazing Science (מדע אהר). He is dedicated to the advancement of science in the Israeli culture and writes scientific columns in *Scientific American Israel*, *Technion Magazine* and *Blazer*. He loves to write, to perform science shows on stage and to take long talks on the beach with his wife.



Yonatan Weintraub –Israeli (25)

Yonatan is pursuing a M.A. degree in the Lautman interdisciplinary honors program at Tel Aviv University. His focus subjects are astrophysics and neuroscience. In addition to his studies, he teaches space engineering to high school students at Herzliya's Science Center. In 2009 he graduated the International Space University's Space Studies Program at NASA's Ames Research Center in California. In the future he hopes to continue educating the next generation of Israeli scientists and engineers.



Zechariah Zigelman —Israeli/American (26)

Zechariah is pursuing a B.A. in philosophy, economics and political science at Hebrew University. He was born in New York and has lived in Israel since age one. Zechariah studied for two years at the Birkat Moshe Hesder Yeshiva in Ma'ale Adumim. In the IDF, he served as a platoon commander (first lieutenant) in an infantry special operations unit. Zechariah is a fellow at the Jewish Statesmanship Center for Strategic Planning. In the future he plans to work in the area of foreign trade policymaking and to help promote Israel's economic growth. Zechariah is a licensed EMT instructor and enjoys mountain bike riding, juggling, music and politics.