

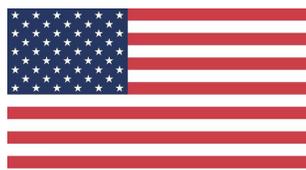
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EXCEL INSTITUTE

EXPLORING CONFLICT, EDUCATION
AND LEADERSHIP

JERUSALEM

With generous financial support from the U.S. Embassy in Israel and in partnership with St. George's College Jerusalem and the Oranim Academic College of Education, JPB Leadership Development and RETORIKA for Multiculturalism excitedly announce our second annual intensive training program this summer for English language educators in Israel.



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Program Overview

The EXCEL program is a teacher-training program that has two components: peacebuilding and English language pedagogy. The program combines peacebuilding, critical reflection, networking, curriculum design, and language studies to empower participants with an array of professional skills, relationships and recognition.

EXCEL's peacebuilding component aims to increase educators' capacities to integrate the practices of peacebuilding and youth leadership in their classrooms and curricula. Specific topics covered by the program can include:

- Intergroup dialogue and communication skills
- Self-reflection and/or experiential education
- Advancing diversity and intergroup relations
- Conflict analysis
- Conflict resolution for schools and community



Our Program Educators

EXCEL's peacebuilding component aims to increase educators' capacities to integrate the practices of peacebuilding, youth leadership, and English language pedagogy in their classrooms and curricula. Our lead educators play a pivotal role in the development of these skills.



Dr. Paula Green

Dr. Green is the founder of the Karuna Center for Peacebuilding, serving in the peacebuilding field for over three decades. Through Karuna's global network of skilled peacebuilding associates and partners, Dr. Green and the center's professionals have continued to draw upon a wider field of expertise and intercultural exposures. Across her many career experiences, Dr. Green has engaged and interacted with a variety of different people groups, cultures and communities that have experienced conflict - including groups directly and indirectly impacted by the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. This summer, Dr. Green will be joining EXCEL for a second time as one of our Lead Educators.



Dr. Elias Farah

VCEO and Director of Retorika for Multiculturalism, Dr. Farah is the co-founder of the EXCEL teacher training program. He has extensive experience in teaching English in schools and is currently a lecturer of English in schools and is currently a lecturer of English at Oranim Academic College of Education. His specific area of research is in ethnic-American literature with a focus on the Palestinian American experience. Dr. Farah maintains his status as a member of the Advisory Committee for English Language Education, and in 2017, received the Rothschild Prize for Education in the Israeli Knesset. This summer, Dr. Farah has designed and will lead the English language pedagogy components.

Our Program Educators (cont.)



The Rev. Canon Nicholas Porter

Founder and Executive Director of JPB Leadership Development, Fr. Nicholas is both an experienced conflict transformation and peacebuilding educator, as well as an Episcopal priest. For many years, he has lived, served and worked in London, Paris, Geneva, Cairo and Jerusalem, building strategic partnerships and connections through the peacebuilding field. His academic credentials include: BA in Soviet and Middle Eastern Studies from Yale University, MA in Middle Eastern Studies from the American University in Cairo, MA in War Studies from the University of London, MDiv (Theology) from Yale University.



Noelle Boyd

Communications Coordinator for Jerusalem Peacebuilders and a recent alumna of New York University, Noelle will be joining EXCEL this summer as a Teaching Assistant. With a B.A. in Anthropology from the College of Arts and Science, Noelle has an expressed interest and dedicated passion to human rights, conflict resolution, storytelling and social justice work. She has held a variety of ministry and leadership positions, including the title of Student Ambassador for the 2019 NYU Israel Insights program. Noelle is currently pursuing work with JPB during her gap year, before pursuing a JD/MA in D.C., specifically focusing on conflict resolution, international law and international affairs.

Program Details



Dates and Location:

Sunday, August 1 - Friday, August 6
at St. George's College, Jerusalem

Cost:

750 NIS per person

The cost of the program includes:

- Double Room
- Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner daily
- 60 Professional Development hours

The cost of the program does not include:

- Transportation to and from the program
- Any additional cultural events or activities outside of the program

Thanks to accreditation by the Israeli Ministry of Education, EXCEL participants qualify for 60-90 continuing education credits through Oranim Academic College for Education.

The entire program will be conducted in English.

COVID-19 Disclaimer

Now more than ever, peacebuilding and leadership skills are needed to navigate some of the world's most pressing issues. However, please know that we understand and share your concerns around COVID-19, and that we are committed to offering a safe and impactful program this summer.

All EXCEL participants are required to show proof of full vaccination.

The EXCEL Institute will adhere to all required and recommended health and safety guidelines from the Israeli Ministry of Health, including: mandatory mask wearing, social distancing, hand-washing, sanitizing surfaces, daily temperature checks, and proper ventilation of indoor program spaces.

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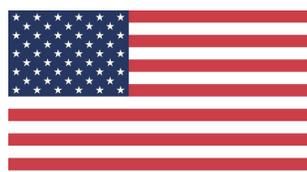
For all programming and general questions,
please contact EXCEL Co-Director,

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APPLICATION DEADLINE:
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