



Kol Ami – Jewish Peoplehood Leadership Academy

Our Mission

Develop a united Jewish leadership among Israeli youth and their Diaspora contemporaries. With the understanding that Israel is an integral part of the world Jewish tapestry, Kol Ami will create a leadership network which takes responsibility for impacting the future of the Jewish people.

Kol Ami is a 6 month post-high school program for Jewish peers from around the world. The program is designed to give participants the opportunity to live in a Jewish pluralistic environment together with their Israeli counterparts. This program is aimed at young people who want to learn more about themselves and how they can influence Jewish communities around the world.

Program Goals

- **Develop Jewish Peoplehood** - Formalize the link between Israel's Jews and Diaspora Jews through their common historical and cultural heritage, while inspiring desire for mutual action and commitment to the future.
- **Leadership Development** - Grow leadership abilities through practice and the desire to lead and serve as a personal example. The students will manage themselves and the program by running committees, working on individual and group projects with help and guidance from our staff.
- **Improve Public Diplomacy** - Train advocates to speak out for Israel. Public diplomacy will stem from a deep knowledge and faith in the importance of the Zionist vision.
- **Love of the Land** - Exploring Israel, geographically and socially, by becoming familiar with all sectors of the population and terrain.
- **Enhancing Jewish & Zionist identity** - With a broad education and focused study, the students will become leaders with vision and purpose, possessing the resolve and ability to effect real change within themselves and society at large.
- **Preparation for the Next Step** - Identifying and training for the unique challenges of each Jewish community towards meaningful involvement, for those returning home and those who are joining the IDF.

The weekly schedule is primarily filled with learning about Zionism, Jewish history, philosophy, Hebrew, politics, and Israel advocacy. Participants also participate in many outdoor activities such as hiking, acquiring navigation skills, physical fitness community service, getting to know communities around Israel and more.

Locations:

Kol Ami has four branches around the country: Kiriath Yearim youth village near Jerusalem, Kibbutz Kiriath Anavim near Jerusalem, Ramat Hadassah youth village near Haifa and Tiberias.

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