



TIKVAH SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Tikvah Scholars Program (TSP) at Yale University is an 11-day residential summer institute for current 10th and 11th graders. We seek students who want to think deeply about serious questions, push their intellectual limits, and read the great works of the Jewish canon and of Western thought with world-class faculty in a vibrant and pluralistic community of students from around the world. The program seeks to advance Jewish excellence in the modern age by exposing some of the best Jewish students to the most important foundational questions in politics, economics, Zionist thought, and Judaism, guided by some of the top teachers, scholars, and policy makers.

Resident Advisors (RAs) play an important role in crafting a meaningful experience for Tikvah Scholars. RAs are, first and foremost, role models to the nearly 100 high school students who participate in each session of the Tikvah Scholars Program. RAs will foster our residential community of students and support the physical, emotional, spiritual, social, and intellectual welfare of our students.

RAs will work directly with TSP administrators, faculty, and students in all areas of the program.

An RA should be prepared to do the following:

- Serve as an exemplary role model for program participants and build relationships with students
- Attend seminars and serve as teaching assistants during the program
- Uphold and enforce all program expectations and regulations in the classroom and on campus
- Live in our residential community and act as a first responder in the dormitories
- Monitor student participation and provide support where necessary
- Collaborate with TSP staff in planning, managing, and executing extracurricular activities
- Lead advisory group meetings for students
- Communicate with TSP administration, provide feedback and evaluation, and participate in RA team meetings and trainings

Experience in the following is a plus:

- Tikvah programming, including Tikvah Online Academy, Tikvah/Maimonides Scholars Program, Tikvah Overseas Institute, and Tikvah collegiate seminars
- Staffing summer camps, retreats, and/or other residential programs
- Intense academic environments where a variety of political, religious, cultural, and philosophical perspectives are represented

The Tikvah Scholars Program has two summer 2022 sessions: Session I: June 27 - July 7, 2022, and Session II: July 25 - August 4, 2022. We seek candidates who are available for only one session and those who are available for both sessions. There will be a few hours of pre-program training on Zoom in preparation for the program in the spring, and advisors will be expected to arrive one day before TSP begins for a staff training day. All room, board, and transportation to and from the program (within the continental US) are provided for RAs by the program. This is a paid position.

*Candidates interested in applying to this position should send a resume and cover letter to Rachel Kaissar at rkaissar@tikvahfund.org by **February 15th** with the subject line "TSP Summer RA Application." Be sure to include why you think you would be a good fit for TSP and what you could add to the team. Any questions can be directed to Rachel prior to the application deadline.*