ALL STUDENTS ACCEPTED TO THE RRIS MUST READ THIS BOOKLET AND SHARE THE INFORMATION WITH THEIR PARENTS.

After you confirm your studies at IDC you will receive an online Absorption Form, which must be filled out and submitted to us online.
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACCEPTANCE TO THE RAPHAEL RECANATI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL IN IDC HERZLIYA!

You are about to embark on one of the most significant experiences of your life. IDC is a dynamic learning community that fosters creativity and innovation and promotes the development of new opportunities inside and outside the classroom.

This booklet contains essential information regarding your studies at the RRIS and will assist you in making decisions prior to your arrival.

We are here to help make your student experience the best that it can be.
WHAT’S NEXT?

1
Read the information in this booklet carefully as it provides answers to your questions.

2
Confirm your acceptance by paying the $1,500 US enrollment deposit (which will be credited towards your annual tuition payment).

3
Complete and submit the absorption form sent to you via email.

4
Share the important information in this booklet with your parents.
Please allow me to welcome you to our lovely campus. It is my hope that each of you excel in your academic studies.

One of our most important aims, in addition to providing you with a stimulating academic environment, is to offer you an opportunity for acculturation and integration at IDC Herzliya and in the State of Israel. Please indulge in as many extra-curricular activities as possible during your time here at IDC. Among these are: debate club; Model UN; Hillel; JLIC; RRIS hiking, biking and overnight field trips; AEP; IDC Radio; Ambassadors’ Club; dance troupe, band or choir; festival celebrations; IDC Idol; and so much more. Hopefully, the careful balance between your academic and extra-curricular activities will provide you with an enriching and well-rounded education, as well as dozens of friends for life and networks that will serve you even decades from now, when you have become veterans of your places of work and raised families.

The dedicated staff of the Raphael Recanati International School is here to help solve any problems you may encounter, both on and off campus, to the best of our ability. Please do not hesitate to call us and let us know what’s on your mind. Consider us your family here in Israel. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you - please do not hesitate to approach me and establish a dialogue.

Wishing all of you the best possible time at IDC Herzliya.

Jonathan Davis
Vice President for External Relations
Head, Raphael Recanati International School
Shalom and welcome to the RRIS!

On behalf of IDC Herzliya’s Raphael Recanati International School, it is my privilege to welcome you among our ranks. With international students hailing from over 90 countries around the world, the RRIS prides itself on embracing the various cultures that have come together in IDC’s “melting pot” spirit.

IDC Herzliya is a leading academic institution that aims to be a center of global excellence. We are unique in our educational methods, which are based on an interdisciplinary approach. We combine theory with real world experience and provide our students with cultural and professional proficiencies.

At the RRIS we educate talented young people to influence and contribute in every arena in which they choose to integrate, in Israel and worldwide. Our basic outlook, which is rooted in the twin concepts of individual freedom and responsibility, emphasizes student entrepreneurship and leadership alongside commitment to community service.

Our staff is devoted to making you feel at home, be attentive and respond to your every need. We wish you abundant success on your way to fulfill your academic goals.

All the best,

Carine Katz
Director
Raphael Recanati International School
IDC Herzliya
ORIENTATION WEEK

One of the innovative and important services that IDC Herzliya provides to its students is an orientation for new students. Orientation is designed to make incoming students' entry into IDC's academic environment as smooth as possible. Orientation is vital preparation for succeeding at IDC Herzliya. Participation is mandatory.

Each incoming student is assigned a peer counselor (2nd or 3rd year Israeli student) who is tasked with helping new students acculturate to IDC and to Herzliya. Your peer counselor will accompany you from your arrival to campus throughout your year/semester at IDC. Your counselor will contact you shortly before your arrival to campus.

FALL SEMESTER

The academic year will begin with Orientation Week on Sunday, October 27, 2019.

Orientation Week includes five full days of orientation to IDC, your peers and your new home in Herzliya. In order to be prepared to begin studies and have the tools to access our online and social communities, your presence is mandatory.

The week will include

**Academic orientation** meet the dean of your school, consult with your academic advisor regarding class assignment and selection, and participate in introductory lectures and conversations.

**Technical Orientation** receive your student ID card, learn how to access your IDC email and use the MyIDC online student portal (essential for class registration, email, grade access, and other key functions).

**Social Orientation** sign up for IDC extracurricular activities (clubs, sports, societies, etc.), engage with the local community via volunteering opportunities, meet and bond with your peers as we engage in structured discussions and travel to the desert for an excursion including hikes, team building, and lots of fun.
ORIENTATION WEEK

SPRING SEMESTER

The Spring Semester will begin with a mandatory Orientation Day on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

The day will include

**Academic orientation** meet the staff, consult with your academic advisor regarding class assignment and selection, and campus and library tour.

**Technical Orientation** receive your student ID card, learn how to access your IDC email and use the MyIDC online student portal (essential for class registration, email, grade access, and other key functions).

**Social Orientation** sign up for IDC extracurricular activities (clubs, sports, societies, etc.) and meet and bond with your peers.

See our [Orientation Trip movie](#)
**ORIENTATION WEEK**

*Sample Orientation Week schedule for your reference, subject to changes*

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ELECTIVE HEBREW COURSE *ULPAN*

Learning Hebrew is essential to your acculturation in Israel. IDC offers ulpan (Hebrew language studies during the academic year) at four different levels so you may improve your Hebrew AND get credit for it! Ulpan is a general elective course worth two credits.

To join the ulpan you will need to take a Hebrew placement test after which you will be divided into classes based on your test results. Classes are designed to help students feel comfortable using Hebrew.

**The placement test for the ulpan will be held during Orientation Week for all interested students.**

After taking the test, the results will be sent to you by email and will determine your level of Hebrew (levels A-D). Registration for the course will take place online during the first two weeks of the academic year.

INTENSIVE ACADEMIC SUMMER HEBREW *ULPAN*

IDC is home to an annual six week intensive summer ulpan in July and August. This is an academic ulpan and participants who attend the entire six weeks of classes will be awarded a certificate of completion from the Ministry of Education. There is an additional fee for participating in the summer ulpan. Please note that there are no IDC dormitory arrangements during the ulpan.

* Students at summer ulpan do not earn academic credits from IDC.

For more details regarding the summer ulpan please contact ulpanris@idc.ac.il.
IDC DORMITORIES

To experience university life fully, nothing equals living on campus where students can enjoy convenience and a sense of community. In the 2019-2020 academic year IDC Herzliya students will have the option of enjoying the high standard of living offered in the 500 fully equipped residential units located in two 13-story towers on IDC Herzliya’s campus.

The dormitory towers were planned and designed to meet green building standards where students have many opportunities for interaction that contribute to their academic success and personal growth. The facilities include fully equipped study halls to enable students to focus on their studies and to maintain a diverse social life. Each building also has laundry rooms with washing machines and dryers at the residents’ disposal, in addition to a Shabbat elevator, and a prayer room.

The apartments are available to International and Israeli students pursuing undergraduate and master’s degrees at IDC Herzliya. The dorms include apartments for single students, married couples (both IDC students), and accessible units for students with disabilities.

In addition, there is 24/7 security on the premises. The housing fee includes: Wi-Fi, building fees, maintenance, gardening, cleaning of stairwells and common areas and security. It does not include electricity, water, and TV services.
IDC DORMITORIES

Single Units

The single units are approximately 20 square meters.

All apartments, except for the units for married couples, are designated for one student per unit. The apartments are furnished to accommodate all residents’ needs. Every apartment has an air conditioning unit, a private bathroom with shower, a bed (120cm\190cm for which linens are not included), and a kitchen area. The kitchen is fully equipped with a refrigerator, electrical cook top, microwave, and an electric kettle. In addition, the apartment includes a desk, closet, TV, a dining table and chairs.

The rental fee for the single unit is $725 USD per month.

The rental fee for the married couple’s unit is $1100 USD per month.

Double Units

The double units are approximately 40 square meters.

The contract period for students who wish to reside in an IDC dormitory suite shall begin the day you move into an IDC dormitory suite and end September 30, 2020.

For information please contact Ms. Sivan Tamir, Student Coordinator for the International School at sivan.tamir@idc.ac.il

IDC Dormitories clip >>
HEALTH INSURANCE

All IDC Herzliya students are required to have comprehensive health insurance coverage throughout the duration of their studies. IDC cannot cover medical costs or take responsibility for students who do not have insurance.

You may purchase your own health insurance policy to cover your medical needs while in Israel, or purchase the UMS HAREL YEDIDIM insurance policy for international students offered by IDC. If you are an Israeli resident covered by Israel’s National Health Insurance (bituach leumi), you do not need any additional health insurance. The insurance plan with HAREL YEDIDIM provides comprehensive health coverage for *$930 USD per academic year/$465 USD per semester, which will be charged at the beginning of the year. Please see the next page for policy details.

• for students starting in the fall semester, the insurance policy will start on October 23, 2019.
• for students starting in the spring semester, the insurance will start on March 18, 2020.

The end date of the insurance policy will be March 21, 2020 for fall semester students, and August 31, 2020, for spring semester and one-year study abroad students.

Please note that the HAREL YEDIDIM health insurance plan does not cover pre-existing conditions.

IN ORDER TO REGISTER FOR HEALTH INSURANCE THROUGH IDC YOU MUST CHECK THE RELEVANT BOX ON YOUR ABSORPTION FORM.

YOU WILL ALSO NEED TO FILL OUT A HEALTH DECLARATION REQUIRED BY "HAREL YEDIDIM". THE HEALTH DECLARATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU SIX WEEKS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE INSURANCE. WITHOUT THIS DECLARATION THE POLICY CANNOT BE ISSUED.

Medication:
If you are taking prescribed medication it is advised to bring an adequate supply for the duration of your stay in Israel. If that is not possible, you should bring a doctor’s prescription (clearly typed in English) for the medicine that you are using, or a prescription of a generic medication that is suitable for your condition. If your medication is sent to you through the mail you will be required to present a copy of the prescription to the Israel Customs Office before it can be released.

*The HAREL YEDIDIM yearly rate of $930 US is subject to change from year to year according to insurance company rate fluctuations. A notice about any rate change will be sent to students in advance.
HEALTH INSURANCE FOR IDC STUDENTS

HAREL Insurance & Finance Ltd., Israel’s leading firm in health insurance, and “YEDIDIM”, which serve thousands of students in Israel, have joined together to create an overall insurance protection program, providing for your health care needs. The medical services are provided by the Clalit Healthcare providers throughout Israel. Clalit and Harel operate a Call Center in English and in Hebrew 24/7. The medical coverage is based on the UMS - University Medical Services Policy. All costs are quoted in US dollars.

OUTLINE OF THE UMS POLICY

**Coverage Item**

- Overall coverage for insurance period
- Maximum period of hospitalization
- Visit to doctor & specialist
- Visit to doctor who does not have an arrangement with the Clalit
- Laboratory tests, x-rays, etc. with no ceiling
- Medicine in the health service basket at the Clalit pharmacies, according to doctor’s prescription
- Emergency dental treatment
- Assistance for flight to country of origin due to medical problem, subject to approval of Harel’s medical board
- Transport of mortal remains to home country
- House calls by a physician 24/7

**UMS**

- Up to 90 days
- No deductible
- Only at Clalit Laboratories
- No deductible
- At Clalit Smile Clinics
- Up to $5,000.-
- Up to $5,000.-
- No deductible
HEALTH INSURANCE FOR IDC STUDENTS

Exclusions

• Incidents related to alcohol ingestion and/or illegal drug use.
• Pre-existing medical conditions
• Dental treatment
• Pregnancy
• Psychiatric and psychological care, including ADHD etc.
• The insurance is valid only in the State of Israel*

Note: Infectious diseases, AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases, system-wide problems and cancer in the treatment stage require a separate, private insurance policy.

* If you are traveling outside of Israel, it is recommended to purchase an additional travel insurance for the period of time abroad.

You are also invited to contact HAREL YEDIDIM representatives

Tel +972-3-6386216
y_health@yedidim.co.il

DISCLAIMER

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VISA & STATUS INFORMATION

Students are responsible for clarifying and establishing their status in Israel and can turn to the Raphael Recanati International School staff for advice and assistance. Israeli visa requirements vary based on your country of citizenship. A student visa must be issued in advance before your arrival to Israel. Please contact the nearest Israeli embassy / consulate for information. Information for Israeli embassies and consulates around the world can be found here.

The RRIS staff is here to help with the procedure and can provide students with certification of your status as a student.

Student Visa (A2)
A student visa is a multiple entry visa valid for one year after which it can be renewed. To apply for a student visa you will likely be asked to provide:

- Passport valid for at least one year
- Letter of acceptance to IDC
- Visa application form (2 copies)
- Photographs (2)
- Visa fee
- Birth Certificate
- Proof of financial means to pay for studies and sustenance throughout stay in Israel

Note: The Consul may request additional documents.

RETURNING ISRAELI
Students who were born in Israel must contact the nearest Israeli Consulate for updated information. Regulations regarding this population change frequently.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE AT LEAST ONE ISRAELI PARENT
Contact the nearest Israeli Consulate to check your Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) status, and to obtain an Israeli passport. Request a status of “child of emigrants” (b’nei mehagrim) from your local Israel Consulate. You may be eligible for a deferment from the IDF as long as you are a student. For more details contact Shelly Levy at levys@idc.ac.il. Information for Israeli embassies and consulates around the world can be found here.
LIVING IN ISRAEL

Moving to Israel can be exciting and challenging. A guide with basic information about banking, internet set up, transportation, mobile phones, etc., can be found in the Counselor’s Tip-Book.

SOCIAL & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AT RRIS

The RRIS organizes a wide variety of social and cultural activities for all the students on campus in English! Throughout the academic year the school hosts cultural events, performances, educational tours, social gatherings and more. For information about our extracurricular activities at the RRIS please visit our website page or Facebook page.

E-MAIL

IDC E-mail Account

During Orientation Week you will receive an IDC e-mail account. IDC e-mail addresses are usually in the following format lastname.firstname@post.idc.ac.il

Please note that this e-mail account is our primary form of contact with you and you are expected to check it on a regular basis. There are many computers available on campus and there are wireless hot spots in every building on campus.
TERMS AND PAYMENTS
TUITION, FEES AND TERMS OF PAYMENT 2019-2020 STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Please review the following schedule in order to prepare in advance.

Please note that the first chart below refers to students who will study at the IDC for one semester, and the second chart below refers to those studying for a full academic year.

STUDY ABROAD TUITION FOR ONE SEMESTER

| Tuition fee | $12,000 |
| Health Insurance | Optional $465 |
| Student Union Fee (for Student Union benefits) | 25 |
| **Total** | **$12,490** |

For information and registration contact Shelly Levy, RRIS Absorption Coordinator at levys@idc.ac.il
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TERMS AND PAYMENTS
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Cancellation of Studies - students studying for one semester

A student who has registered at the IDC, has paid the down payment, and subsequently decides not to study must submit an official statement in writing (via letter, e-mail or fax) to the RRIS Admissions Office.

Please note that the down payment will be fully refunded to those who inform IDC of their cancellation according to the dates described in the chart below:

TUITION REGULATIONS FOR STUDENTS WHO TERMINATE THEIR STUDIES

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PAYMENTS OPTIONS

Tuition and fees can be paid either by credit card, or wire transfer to IDC’s bank account. Should a payment be made in NIS, the value in USD will be determined according to the exchange rate on the day that the payment is received.

**Paying by Credit Card:** you may use the Online Payment Center with credit card for payments in USD or in NIS (according to the daily $ exchange rate on the date of payment).

A Payment in USD can be done in one installment only, for each payment.

A payment in NIS can be done either in one installment or in 3-18 credit payments. Interest rates are determined by the credit card company when paying in multiple installments.

Please enter: MyIDC account → Student Info Station → Finance → payments → make payment here

**Paying via wire transfer (bank details)**

Beneficiary: The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Bank: 12-Hapoalim Bank

Branch: 628-Herzliya Branch

Account No.: 244144

Swift Code: Poalilit

IBAN: IL90-0126-2800-0000-0244-144

After each transaction, please send us the transaction document either by fax to 972-9-9527640, or by e-mail izakr@idc.ac.il indicating the student’s name and ID no.

**There may be an extra charge by the bank when wiring a payment; students are responsible for paying any extra fees that may be deducted by the bank.**

Please note that a period of one week is necessary in order to receive confirmation of wire transfers.
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Tuition Department Reception Hours and contact details

**Sun. & Thurs.**
10 AM - 1 PM
3 AM - 5 PM

**Mon., Tues., Wed.**
10 AM - 1 PM
3 AM - 4 PM

Ms. Simona Hadad
shadad2@idc.ac.il
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Fax: 972-9-9527-640

Ms. Ronit Izak
izakr@idc.ac.il
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Ms. Hadas Oren
Hadas.Oren@idc.ac.il
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Fax: 972-9-9527-640

Ms. Nathalie Burstein
Nathalie.Burstein@idc.ac.il
Tel: 972-99527916
Fax: 972-9-9527-640
SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

We recommend that you check for any scholarship, grants and loans opportunities in your home country and university. Please contact our financial aid coordinators Annette Behrendt Von Zeeland and Joanna Simon Bigart at rris.financialaid@idc.ac.il for any further information.

RRIS SCHOLARSHIP
Study abroad students who will study during the full academic year at the Raphael Recanati International School can apply to the RRIS needs-based scholarship. The application will be available online via online application form until November 1, 2019. Students will be asked to provide financial information and attach relevant required documentation.

JEISH TOURIST
Jewish tourists between the ages of 18-30 who have not been in Israel for four consecutive months or more in the last ten years are eligible for MASA grants and scholarships. Please note that once you make Aliya or only take out an Israeli teoudat Zeout, you are no longer eligible for MASA. More information and application forms at www.masaisrael.org

FAFSA
Please note, Study abroad students are not eligible for FAFSA at IDC since they are non-degree students.
The Study Skills Center is designed to assist students who are recognized by the Dean of Students Affairs as students with learning disabilities and/or attention deficit disorders, students with physical, sensory or cognitive disabilities, as well as students with a temporary/permanent medical condition which has implications on the student’s learning abilities.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS DURING EXAMS

Reasonable accommodations are provided by IDC Herzliya for students who have been diagnosed with learning disabilities or attention deficit disorder. The accommodations are designed to minimize as much as possible the negative effects that these difficulties can have on students’ performance, while simultaneously maintaining the exam’s reliability and validity. Therefore, the exam accommodations that IDC Herzliya provides for students with learning disabilities are adjusted in a way that does not alter the essential character of the exams, i.e., the scope of the material tested, or the essence of the exams’ demands upon students (for example, comprehension, applying knowledge, etc.).

To obtain exam accommodations students must submit acceptable documentation of learning disabilities or attention deficit disorder to Ms. Shirli Moldovan, Administrative Assistant of the Psychological Counseling Services, tel +972-9-9602872 or smoldovan@idc.ac.il

After the documentation is submitted a meeting with a psychologist from the Counseling Center will be scheduled where the eligibility for specific accommodations will be discussed.

For more information on the kind of documentation needed, please see the section on Submitting Diagnoses of Learning Disabilities on our website.
The Center for Psychological Counseling Services provides interested students with the opportunity to receive help and support dealing with various problems and challenges that students may encounter during the period of their studies.

Students who apply to the center may receive short-term counseling or up to two semesters of ongoing therapy through personal meetings with psychologists who have extensive experience treating students from a wide variety of cultures and backgrounds.

What are the most common problems for which students apply for counseling?

Students apply for personal counseling for a wide variety of reasons, which may include the following: culture shock or experiencing difficulty coping with the many challenges inherent in being in a new and unfamiliar environment; difficulties with school or job; struggling with personal or professional identity; social, interpersonal, or romantic difficulties; dealing with grief or loss; problems occurring in the family which have a stressful impact, such as illness, divorce, or financial crisis; feeling overly anxious or depressed; coping with attention deficit disorder and/or learning disabilities. These problems may be new to the student or may be issues from the past that are resurfacing or intensifying when students are far from home and/or feeling alone and isolated.

Sometimes due to a student’s particular circumstances, he or she might be better served by seeing a professional in the community. In these cases, the student will receive help with an appropriate referral.

Students interested in meeting with a psychologist are kindly requested to make an appointment through the administrative coordinator, Ms. Shirley Moldovan, who can be reached Sunday to Thursday from 9:00-15:00 at: tel.: +972-9-960-2872 email: smoldovan@idc.ac.il.

Please note that the Psychological Counseling Services are not equipped to provide long-term care for students who need continuous psychological or psychiatric support. Therefore, students dealing with ongoing mental health issues are strongly advised to set up a professional support system before coming to Israel. We are happy to provide more information about the various options if needed.

For more information, please see our website.
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Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding the information in this booklet. Please note that our offices are closed on weekends which are Friday-Saturday in Israel.

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FALL SEMESTER CONCLUSION, EXAM SCHEDULE AND POTENTIAL FOR TIME OFF

Exams begin immediately following the conclusion of fall semester. In accordance with traditional Israeli higher education models, IDC offers students the opportunity to take a first sitting of exams (moed aleph) generally during the first four weeks between semesters. Students will receive their moed aleph exam schedule at the beginning of the semester. If a student fails the moed aleph exam, is not happy with the grade or had to miss the exam due to unforeseen circumstances, he/she is entitled to sit for a second exam (moed bet). These second exams are scheduled immediately following the moed aleph exams. Therefore, each student has a highly individual schedule, very often with no vacation whatsoever between fall and spring semester dependent on 1) moed aleph schedule, assigned during the first week of the semester and 2) the student’s desire to be present for moed bet/retakes.

If you are certain that you will not need a retake, you can book your return ticket date upon receipt of your moed aleph exam schedule (following your final exam time). If you are booking a ticket to Israel and are concerned about choosing a return ticket date, we strongly urge you to purchase a “flexible fare” ticket that allows you to change your return date with no penalty fee. This will allow you to alter your date according to our exam schedule and need (or lack thereof) to sit for moed bet exams. While this class ticket is more expensive than a ticket with inflexible dates, it is significantly less expensive than altering the return date on an inflexible fare ticket if the need arises.

SPRING SEMESTER CONCLUSION AND EXAM SCHEDULE

Exams begin immediately following the conclusion of spring semester. Students will receive their moed aleph exam schedule at the beginning of semester. As described above, following moed aleph exams students are entitled to sit for moed bet exams. Spring semester moed bet exams are generally scheduled through August.
A FINAL CHECKLIST

1. Accept your admissions offer within the date written on your acceptance email.

2. Confirm your acceptance by paying the $1,500 US tuition deposit.

3. Complete and submit the absorption form sent to you.

4. If you request IDC Dormitories then contact the student coordinator listed in the relevant section.

5. Share the important information in this booklet with your parents.

Welcome to IDC HERZLIYA - we’re looking forward to meeting you!