
RABBI DANIEL REICHENBACH

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Rabbi Reichenbach is a dynamic, musical, and artistic rabbi and Jewish educator. Specializing in experiential education, Israel education, song leading, pastoral care, and youth engagement, Rabbi Dan has dedicated his life to assisting Jews in discovering their distinctive Jewish identity. Rabbi Reichenbach is a product of NFTY, and the URJ camping system, and he proudly served in the IDF as an infantryman '12-'14 in the Nachal Brigade. Fluent in Hebrew, I excel in creating meaningful connections through songleading, art, and prayer.

SKILLS

- Songleading
- Experiential Education
- Youth Engagement
- Interfaith Dialogue
- Prayer Leading
- Pastoral Counseling
- Israel Education and Advocacy
- Spiritual Guidance
- Sermon Delivery
- Fluent in Hebrew

WORK HISTORY

Chaplain Intern, 06/2023 - 05/2024

NYU Langone Health – New York, NY

3 Units: 1200 hours

- Provided spiritual care and counseling to patients and their family members during their hospital stay, with a particular focus on those who had undergone major, life-altering operations and had recently received a terminal diagnosis.
- Organized educational workshops on Judaism and spiritual care to foster an understanding among the chaplain internship class.
Collaborated closely with medical professionals, including doctors, nurses, and other medical staff, to effectively bridge the gap between the religious and technical requirements of a patient's care.
- Monitored patients' emotional trajectories through meticulously crafted spreadsheets, counseling and supporting over 20 patients daily (approximately 1500 patients throughout the program).

Rabbinic Intern, 08/2021 - 05/2023

Hevreh of Southern Berkshires – Great Barrington, MA

- Under the supervision of two rabbis, lead the congregation (~300 families) in prayer and music on Sundays (between 2 - 3 times a month); emphasis on engaging youth congregates via song with the intention of educating on key Jewish lessons and stories.
- Organized and planned community-wide events surrounding all major holidays (attendees usually totaling ~100)
- Taught Sunday school classes (ranging from K-12), with an emphasis on preparing each age group to lead their designated Shabbat.
- Shaped curriculum and facilitated adult Torah classes.

Judaic Studies Teacher, Chug/Teen Program Coord., 09/2019 - 05/2021

Stephen Wise Free Synagogue – New York, NY

- Taught classes on Sundays and Wednesdays for Grades 5-7; developed strong relationships with students, parents, and colleagues by maintaining open lines of communication and fostering a supportive learning environment
- Created curricula outlines on peoplehood, middot, and social justice
- Supervised and assisted other teachers in creating their curricula and implementation logistics work (interdepartmental planning, lesson planning, teaching skills)
- Maintained accurate records of student progress, attendance, and behavior to facilitate ongoing communication with parents about their child's educational journey

Unit Supervisor/Rosh Tefillah, 06/2018 - 08/2018

NFTY (Israel Adventure) – Jerusalem, Israel

- Facilitated and supervised the daily activities of 100 teen participants traveling throughout Israel (visited archeological and historical sites, lead hikes, promoted interactions with other religious group)
- Directed staff of ten, including *madrichim*, security guards, nurse, and bus drivers
- Led weekly Shabbat *T'fillot* and *Havdallah* for all participants in the unit and their staff

—— **COMBAT SOLIDER, INFANTRY UNIT (FIRST SERGEANT) - ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCE, 2012-14** ——

- Served as a (heavy machine gunner) in the Nachal Brigade. stationed throughout the West Bank and Golan Heights; saw active combat in Gaza during operation Protective Edge.

EDUCATION

Rabbinical Program: 05/2024

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion - New York, NY

- Ordained May 2024
- JDC Weitzman Entwine Fellowship Recipient

Masters in Religious Education: 05/2020

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion - New York, NY

Jewish Studies/Experiential Education Certificate: 2017

Pardes Institute (Experiential Educators Program) - Jerusalem, Israel

Bachelor of Arts: Jewish Antiquity, 05/2012

Clark University - Worcester, MA

- Dean's List, Graduated Cum Laude
- 3.80 GPA