



### Secondary MAT/Tanakh (Bible)

The Brandeis secondary MAT program prepares Bible teachers for Jewish day schools, grades 7-12. In this program, students further their content knowledge by taking courses in Brandeis' Near Eastern and Judaic Studies Department. Students concurrently

learn about pedagogy and practice with Brandeis professors and master teachers at Gann Academy – New Jewish High School of Greater Boston and other local Jewish day middle and high schools.

MAT/Bible students who complete the program receive a Master of Arts in Teaching from Brandeis.

### Brandeis in Brief

Founded in 1948 by the American Jewish community, Brandeis brings to American higher education a unique cultural perspective reflecting Jewish traditions of scholarship and community service, and a commitment to social justice. Named for the late Justice Louis Dembitz Brandeis of the U.S. Supreme Court, Brandeis is the youngest private research university, as well as the only nonsectarian Jewish-sponsored college or university, in the

country, and features the faculty and resources of a world-class research institution.

Located in Waltham, Massachusetts, on 235 attractive suburban acres, Brandeis is in an ideal location just nine miles west of Boston. Boston has undergone a "Jewish renaissance" over the past several years, and boasts a wealth of cultural and Jewish resources, which complement the vibrant Jewish life on campus.



### Who Should Apply?

The program welcomes recent college graduates and mid-career changers with diverse backgrounds. Applicants must demonstrate a passion for Jewish education, a love of learning, and a desire to become teachers. They must also have a strong liberal arts background.

Students from outside the U.S. who are accepted must establish eligibility to work in the U.S. before they can start their internship.

### How to Apply?

For application instructions, please visit [brandeis.edu/mandel/DeLeT](http://brandeis.edu/mandel/DeLeT). Interviews for admission begin in January. Rolling admissions will apply until the cohort is complete.

Requirements include an official college transcript, GRE scores, two essays, and 3 letters of recommendation.

Early Admission to the MAT program is an option for qualified applicants. The early admissions deadline is December 1st. The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences also waives the application fee for early applicants.

### Impact

"We have had four DeLeT fellows in our children's classrooms over the past five years. It is amazing to witness the transformation of eager and enthusiastic student teachers into mature, highly-skilled, professional Jewish educators. The DeLeT program is a true gift to the fellows, the participating schools, the mentor teachers, the students, and the Jewish community!"



**Elisa Deener-Agus**

*parent of a Jewish day school student at a partner school*

### Program Sponsors

The DeLeT MAT is a partnership between the Brandeis Education Program and the Mandel Center for Studies in Jewish Education.

*DeLeT at Brandeis has a sister program at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles, CA. For more information, visit [www.huc.edu/DeLeT](http://www.huc.edu/DeLeT).*

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# Brandeis University

**Master of Arts in Teaching: Jewish Day Schools**

**Elementary MAT (DeLeT) Secondary MAT/Tanakh (Bible)**

*Inspire ~ Imagine ~ Create ~ TEACH  
Open doors with DeLeT*



## DeLeT MAT Program

The DeLeT MAT program combines academic and professional study with a year-long internship in a local day school. Small and personalized, the program prepares teachers of general and Jewish studies for grades 1-6. Students study with

members of their Jewish day school cohort as well as with members of the public elementary school MAT cohort.

Program faculty and instructors include distinguished teacher educators and Judaic scholars drawn from

the Brandeis Education Program, the Department of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, and the Mandel Center for Studies in Jewish Education.

The DeLeT MAT partners with Jewish day schools in the greater Boston area that span the denominational spectrum.

Trained mentor teachers welcome interns into their classrooms and guide them in learning to teach.

DeLeT graduates must commit to teaching in a Jewish day school for two years after completion of the program.

“DeLeT broke the mold when it launched a Jewish teacher education program that integrates first-class academic instruction with extensive student teaching experience in schools.”

### A Case Study of the DeLeT Program

*(Kopelowitz, Wolf and Markowitz 2008)*

*Program evaluation commissioned by the*

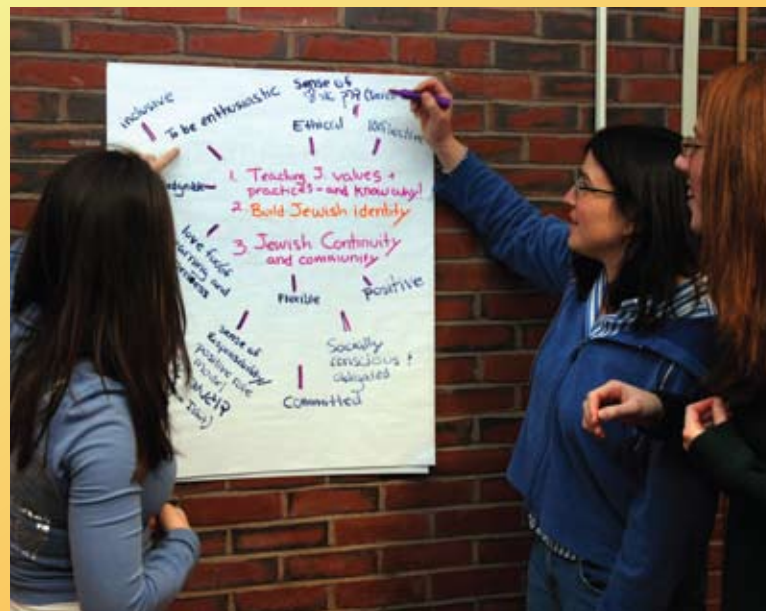
*Jim Joseph Foundation*



## Induction Support After Graduation

The DeLeT MAT program helps graduates find teaching positions and works with the day schools that hire them to insure a smooth transition into classroom teaching. During their first two years of teaching, DeLeT graduates get

support from faculty and peers through individual consultations and cohort meetings. An active alumni network offers professional development opportunities and social activities.



“There is no other teaching program that offers the intellectual support of a world-class university and its faculty, combined with the individual support of a family. I wouldn’t believe in myself as a teacher if it weren’t for DeLeT.”

**J. Libi Parpar-Ramirez**

*DeLeT alumna*



## Program Features

- Year-long mentored internship
- Small, personalized learning environment
- Close integration of courses and fieldwork
- Help with job placement as a teacher in a Jewish Day School
- Support during the first two years of teaching
- Membership in a growing alumni network

## Financial Support

Full tuition scholarships, \$10,000 stipend, and medical benefits are available.

## Degrees and Licensure

Students who complete the program receive a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree from Brandeis University and are eligible for an

initial teaching license (grades 1-6) from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which has reciprocity with many other states.



“Our graduates are poised, enthusiastic professionals with a deep understanding of teaching and learning. They quickly become teacher leaders in their schools.”

**Serene Victor**

*Faculty Leader of the DeLeT Program*