

**The Brandeis Core is the engaging, shared academic experience for all students entering Brandeis in fall 2019.** The Core is designed holistically to guide your intellectual growth and understanding while helping you develop practical skills that you will use throughout your lifetime. The Brandeis Core also embodies the university's founding principles of academic rigor, robust debate and justice.

# THE BRANDEIS CORE

## SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT

Beyond the specialized skills and knowledge gained through your major, we believe that liberal arts graduates should become broadly acquainted with the approaches, perspectives, insights and methodologies from a variety of disciplines. You will complete courses in each of Brandeis' four divisions in the School of Arts and Sciences.

CREATIVE ARTS

HUMANITIES

SCIENCE

SOCIAL SCIENCE

## GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

You will explore social, political, cultural and linguistic diversity in the United States and the world by focusing on three thematic areas.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION STUDIES IN THE U.S.

DIFFERENCE AND JUSTICE IN THE WORLD

COMPLETION OF A LANGUAGE SEQUENCE

## BRANDEIS FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE

Upon entering Brandeis, you will immediately participate in the rich intellectual life of the university. Through practice in both writing and argumentation, you will be introduced to different disciplinary perspectives and see how professors offer contrasting approaches to a specific topic.

UNIVERSITY WRITING SEMINAR

CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS

## FOUNDATIONAL LITERACIES

No matter your academic areas of interest, you will focus on learning goals that will be central to your classes and your career: becoming an effective communicator, researcher and critical thinker. You will fulfill these foundational literacies, with the exception of quantitative reasoning, through your major.

WRITING INTENSIVE

ORAL COMMUNICATION

DIGITAL LITERACY

QUANTITATIVE REASONING

## HEALTH, WELLNESS AND LIFE SKILLS

You will gain confidence and resiliency by learning how to deal with difficult situations, establish productive mind and body habits and develop a solid foundation of general life skills.

NAVIGATING HEALTH AND SAFETY

MIND AND BODY BALANCE

LIFE SKILLS