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A unique LL.M. degree for
lawyers, regulators, government officials
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Dean of the Faculty

For over a decade, the Buchmann Faculty of Law at Tel Aviv University is proud of its Executive LL.M. Program in Commercial Law, in collaboration with UC Berkeley Law School. The program offers an unparalleled legal education for attorneys, regulators and judges who wish to gain a broader understanding and deepen their theoretical knowledge in issues regarding commercial law. We realize that eligible candidates are at a stage in their professional careers that does not allow them to leave their workplace for the extended period of time required for studying abroad.

The TAU-Berkeley Executive LL.M. offers candidates a unique opportunity to pursue an accelerated, fast-paced LL.M. degree by distinguished international business law faculty, while continuing their careers.

The structure of the program affords several unique advantages:

- ◆ The courses are taught by world-renowned Israeli and international professors who are leading researchers and lecturers in their fields.
- ◆ Enrollment is limited to 36 students each year in order to ensure academic education at the highest level and to guarantee each student receives personalized attention.
- ◆ The program encompasses an intensive and comprehensive curriculum designed to meet the theoretical and practical experience of its student body.



Tailored to meet the needs of working practitioners, classes during two semesters in Israel are held on Fridays and one weekday evening. During the Israeli courts' summer recess, students travel to California attend a wide range of courses in English at UC Berkeley in California. The joint executive LL.M. program is a pioneer in advanced legal studies for working practitioners and business professionals. We are proud to join forces with UC Berkeley, one of the top-ranking U.S. law schools. I invite you to join our high-quality and renowned program.

Professor Ron Harris

Dean of the Buchmann Faculty of Law

* Graduate diplomas are issued by Tel Aviv University and are accredited by UC Berkeley for its Ph.D. (JSP) Program.

Message from the Academic Director of the Program

T AU Berkeley Executive LL.M. program offers its students a unique opportunity to develop expertise in a wide range of commercial law subjects, through a highly specialized LL.M. degree. The program strives to create an intimate and personal learning environment that is customized for students with similar professional legal background, so we have limited the number of students to 36. Likewise, in order to ensure that students have a high level of performance and legal proficiency, the faculty screens and ranks eligible candidates on the following criteria: academic achievements, recommendations and personal interviews which help assess candidates' suitability.

Not surprisingly, since its beginning in 2004, the program has been a resounding success and has attracted many of Israel's top legal professionals. The intellectual curiosity and comprehensive understanding of our select group of students enable professors to teach highly-specialized and challenging courses. Our students' similar legal backgrounds and the program's intensive, intimate studying framework contribute to the development of many business collaborations and lifelong friendships. The high-quality of our LL.M. expresses the underlying philosophy shared by our faculty members and colleagues at UC Berkeley: we believe there is no barrier between theory and practice; the theories we create are useful tools that help us better understand the world we live in. Therefore, the curriculum focuses on providing students with a deeper expertise of prevailing legal and economic theories as well as practical tools to be an exceptional legal practitioner. One of the program's major advantages is its joint-cooperation with UC Berkeley Law School. The one-year program's third and final semester is held in Berkeley, California, during the summer. The courses at



Berkeley are taught in English by UC Berkeley's well-established and internationally-renowned professors. Taking advantage of the law school's proximity to Silicon Valley, we also strive to succeed in connecting our students with the legal community and entrepreneurs working in the unique area.

Thank you for your interest in our highly-regarded program. I invite you to read the testimonials of our alumni. Our students and alumni are ready to answer any question you might have about the program. You are encouraged to consult with them.

Sincerely,

Professor Sharon Hannes

Academic Director, Tel Aviv Berkeley Executive LL.M.
Program

UC Berkeley Academic Director

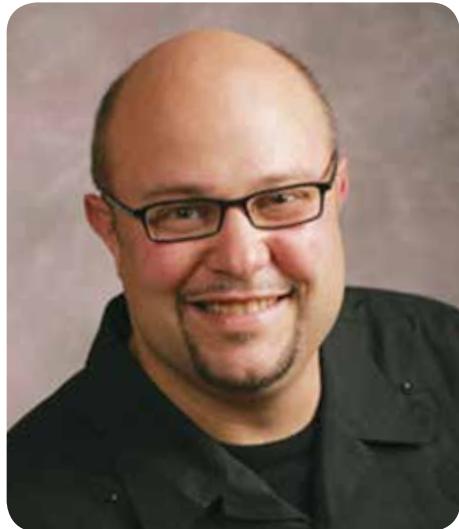
The U.C. Berkeley law faculty is proud to be a partner in Tel Aviv University Law School's International Executive LL.M. program. We look forward to welcoming the eleventh class of the program in the summer.

The summer session in Berkeley is designed to complement the Tel Aviv portion of the program by providing advanced courses in American and International Commercial Law.

My colleagues and I are always extremely eager to meet the Israeli lawyers participating in the program.

I look forward to seeing you in Berkeley.

Prof. Kenneth A. Bamberger
Academic Director



Program Highlights

- The Executive LL.M. degree is a one-year program which comprises an intensive, full-time week at the beginning of the first semester, two regular semesters and a month-long semester at the University of California at Berkeley during the summer.
- The program is tailored to the needs of attorneys working full-time in addition to their studies. During the year, the courses are held after 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings and on Friday mornings.
- Participants undergo an extensive screening process that includes individual interviews, as well as an examination of the candidates' academic merit, professional experience and suitability to participate in the program. In addition, several firm-sponsored participants from Israel's leading law firms are accepted each year.

- Participants enjoy an independent study group that is separated from other LL.M. programs at TAU Law.
- All of the courses at Tel Aviv University are held in an advanced media-equipped classroom, designed specifically for our program.
- The program's renowned faculty members are experts in their fields. Most of them have taught at leading law schools in the U.S. and Europe.
- Our administrative staff consists of highly qualified and dedicated individuals. Their contribution to the program's success is often praised by our students and graduates.



Applications & Admission

To be admitted to the LL.M. program, a candidate must meet the following requirements:

- ◆ A first degree in law (LL.B);
- ◆ Work experience in commercial law or similar field;

Application for Admission:

- ◆ Candidates may apply for admission between April 15 and August 15 each year. They are required to submit a written application form, together with the following documents:
 - LL.B. degree diploma with official transcripts (candidates who have obtained additional degrees shall enclose their transcripts as well).

- Résumé or Curriculum Vitae.
- Professional and/or academic reference letters.
- ◆ Personal interviews are scheduled with each. Applications submitted after August 15, will be reviewed according to availability.
- ◆ For information on tuition fees and payment methods, please contact our Administrative Director at: (972)-3-6406829.

Program Structure

Orientation

◆ Introduction to Law and Economics (2 credits)

The program commences with introductory sessions scheduled to be held within a five day period during the afternoons of the first week of the fall semester. The intensive introductory phase covers basic theories, techniques and practices of Microeconomics, Game Theory and various aspects of the Economic Analysis of the Law. The sessions are organized by Professor Ariel Porat, a former dean of the faculty, together with guest lecturers that deliver lectures in their fields of expertise.

Fall Semester

Students begin their studies in the fall semester. The semester includes two 12-week sessions on Tuesdays from 17:15 to 20:30, and on Fridays from 09:00 to 13:15. The sessions comprise the following courses:

- ◆ **Workshop on Mergers and Acquisitions and Advanced Issues in Corporate Law.** Taught by: Professor Sharon Hannes and Professor Ehud Kamar (2 credits).
- ◆ **Antitrust Law.** Taught by: Professor David Gilo (3 credits).
- ◆ **Commercial Aspects of Unjust Enrichment Law.** Taught by: Professor Ofer Grosskopf (2 credits).

- ◆ **Corporate Finance and Valuation.** Taught by: Professor Avi Tabbach (2 credits).



Spring Semester

The semester includes two 12-week sessions on Tuesdays from 17:15 to 20:30, and on Fridays from 09:00 to 13:15. These sessions comprise the following courses:

- ◆ **Advanced Issues in Property Law.** Taught by: Professor Hanoch Dagan (2 credits).
- ◆ **Workshop on Mergers and Acquisitions and Advanced Issues in Corporate Law (part 2).** Taught by: Professor Sharon Hannes and Professor Ehud Kamar (2 credits).
- ◆ **Regulation of the Securities Market - The US vs. Israel.** Taught by: Professor Omri Yadlin (2 credits).
- ◆ **Introduction to Intellectual Property.** Taught by: Professor Michael Birnbaum and Professor Amir H. Khouri (2 credits).

Summer Semester

The summer semester will take place at UC Berkeley during an intensive four-week period while the courts in Israel are in recess. The concentrated studies will be held five days a week, six hours a day. In addition to the busy academic schedule, several extracurricular events and tours are also scheduled to take place. A total of 117 academic hours will be delivered during

this month, constituting 9 credits.

The semester includes the following courses:

- ◆ **Introduction to the U.S. Legal System.** Taught by: Professor Ken Bamberger.
- ◆ **Intellectual Property in the Digital Age.** Taught by: Professor Peter Menell.
- ◆ **Entrepreneurship.** Taught by: Professor David Charron.
- ◆ **Venture Capital.** Taught by: Professor Robert Bartlett.
- ◆ **Business Associations.** Taught by: Professor Justin McCrary.
- ◆ **Digital Antitrust.** Taught by: Professor Steve Maurer.
- ◆ **Securities Fraud.** Taught by: Professor Reza Dibadj.
- ◆ **Topics in Business Torts.** Taught by: Professor Mark Gergen.
- ◆ **The Legal Profession and the Venture Capital Industry.** Selected lectures by professionals from Silicon Valley.



Writing Assignment

During the course of studies each student, in consultation and under the supervision of one of the program's faculty advisors, must submit a writing assignment equivalent to two writing credits on a topic of his/her choice.

Courses at TAU Law

(subject to change)

Introduction to Law and Economics

Professor Ariel Porat

The course introduces the basic concepts of law and economics and gives special emphasis to the study and analysis of game theory, microeconomics, and economic aspects of and public and private law. It provides a basic understanding of the ways in which economics can be used to understand the workings of legal systems.

Course requirements: a final take-home exam or seminar paper.



Advanced Issues in Property Law

Professor Hanoch Dagan

The enactment of paragraph 3 of The Basic Law: Human Dignity and Freedom, the move to create a new civil code, and several far-reaching developments in property law in Israel in recent years, have necessitated some rethinking of central legal contexts. The course provides a solid analysis of issues currently at the forefront of legal debate, including the constitutional protection of property, the law of planning expropriations and deteriorations (e.g. appreciation tax laws), competition laws, issues of public ownership of land in Israel, the

nature of spousal partnership, judicial creation of "quasi-intellectual property" law and more.

Course requirements: a final take-home exam or seminar paper.



Workshop: Corporate Mergers and Acquisitions & Advanced Issues in Corporate Law

Professor Sharon Hannes and Professor Ehud Kamar

The workshop introduces the Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A) process relevant to corporate and contract laws in Israel and the US. Throughout the workshop, students deal with a broad range of topics, including the structure of a corporation's ownership and capital, agency problems, managerial compensation, threshold guards, the separate legal entity, the theory of the corporation and more.

All discussions are based on reading assignments which expected to be done prior to class. Topics discussed include provocative and informative discussions, insight into major theoretical and ethical considerations, as well as various alternative approaches.

Workshop requirements: 3 memorandum submissions.

Antitrust Law

Professor David Gilo

The antitrust field is gathering momentum, as it is becoming a major field in the Israeli legal profession. Throughout the course, we will deal with the economic and theoretical regulatory framework of various antitrust laws, and their practical implementations. We will discuss restrictive arrangements, mergers, and the supervision of monopoly holders. Theories are translated into action as we analyze the effects of this new culture on recent cases, such as the paving-stone cartel, the refusal to approve the merger between Burger King and Burger Ranch, exclusivity arrangements regarding gas stations, Tnuva and its milk truck drivers, the Thetis Sea partnership, Yediot Aharonot local newspaper affair and more.

Course requirements: an in-class exam or seminar paper.



Securities & Financial Markets Regulations (US vs Israel)

Professor Omri Yadlin

The regulations of securities and financial markets have been undergoing rapid change in the past few years. The global transformation, which initiated with regulatory changes in the US has quickly spread to various markets worldwide, including Israel. Throughout the course we will analyze major contemporary issues in regard to securities laws: the IPO procedure, due disclosure obligations in the primary and secondary markets, civil and criminal liability for a misleading item in a prospectus, fraud and manipulation, use of insider information, and more. Each issue will include an examination of underlying theoretical controversies and a comparison of regulatory solutions in the US and in Israel. An understanding of the two countries' different approaches and procedures is interesting academically speaking and, more importantly, may provide valuable information for Israeli law firms seeking to vacillate between issuing their stock in Israel or overseas.

Course requirements: a final take-home exam or seminar paper.

* All courses are mandatory. Students who wish to receive an exemption from a certain course, or to substitute a course given in the program with another course offered in the general LL.M. program, must receive special approval from the academic director. Holders of a previous master's degree are entitled to certain exemptions in accordance with the university bylaws.

Tax Policy & Public Financing

Professor Yoram Margalioth

The course focuses on the economic, financial and philosophical tools needed to efficiently conduct transfer payments or design tax systems for specific public policy purposes. It provides a deep understanding of the basic principles of distributive justice, the excess burden of taxation and optimal forms of taxation. We will apply these measures to a broad range of issues in the fields of capital gains and land market taxation, family/spouse taxation, corporate taxation, international taxation, green taxes ("environmental taxes"), water act planning and enforcement.

Course requirements: an in-class exam or seminar paper.

Commercial Aspects of Unjust Enrichment

Professor Ofer Grosskopf

The course deals with applicable aspects of obligatory restitution in the wake of unjust enrichment. The first part of the course addresses basic components of the general cause and the recognized general defenses against unjust enrichment. It includes an analysis and clarification of specific arrangements and their relation to the general principle, as well as an examination of the relation between enrichment laws and other branches of civil law, such as contracts, torts and property. In the second part of the course, we will discuss the major causes of lawsuits by corporations and business owners. The third and final part of the course will be dedicated to the various forms of relief, including property relief (tracking, honest trusteeship, and subrogation).

Course requirements: an in-class exam or seminar paper.





Basic Concepts of Intellectual Property Rights

Professor Michael Birnhack and Dr. Amir Huri

The business world has come to understand that an organization's information assets can be as valuable as traditional resources (real-estate, financial capital, etc). Managing the intellectual property in a business requires a thorough legal understanding and deep familiarization of this unique field. The course will present the basics of intellectual property. In it, we will examine the theoretical basis for intellectual property; the international legal framework of the various branches; the threshold conditions of each branch, as well as the scope of protection measures and exceptions. We will also discuss the challenges posed as result of the digital era, innovative alternatives to intellectual property, the relation between intellectual property laws and unjust enrichment laws, patent protection

for business methods and genetic information and trademarks.

Course requirements: there will be no exam. The course is a prerequisite to Intellectual Property in the Digital Age, taught at UC Berkeley.



Corporate Finance

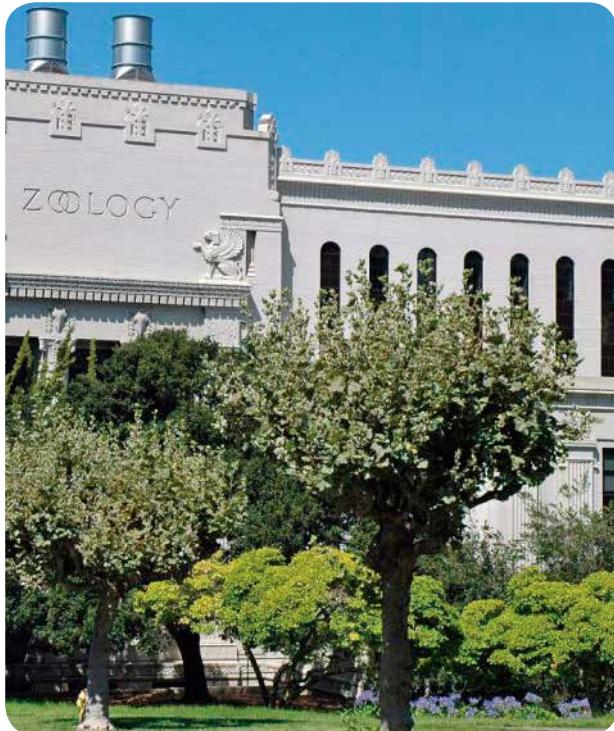
Professor Avi Tabach

The course introduces students to the issues involved in corporations' investment and financing decisions, with special focus on the methods and techniques most typically used in appraisals and annual report evaluations. Subjects covered will include: market capitalization, economic appraisal, financial evaluation, Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM), Efficient Market Theory (EMH), dividend decisions, arbitrage options pricing and more.

Course requirements: a final exam, class discussion and hand-in exercises.

Courses at Berkeley

(selected courses)



Introduction to the U.S. Legal System

Prof. Kenneth A. Bamberger

This course will provide a brief overview of the U.S. legal and regulatory system, with an emphasis on issues of interest to the business lawyer. The course will offer an introduction to fundamental structural issues like separation-of-powers and federalism (the relation between federal and state law), and their implications for substantive areas of U.S. law like corporate and securities law, torts, and intellectual property. It will also explore the structure and politics of the process that produces business regulation.

Intellectual Property in the Digital Age

Prof. Peter Menell

Advances in information technology over the past several decades have transformed the major economies in the world. This course addresses the role that intellectual property plays in the information economy. It will provide a general overview of the principal modes of intellectual property protection (patent, copyright, trademark) and explore particular challenges posed by the digital age: patent law (protection for software and business methods), copyright law (protection for computer software, file sharing technology and the implications for content industries, laws prohibiting the circumvention of copy protection technology, the role of contract law), trademark law (domain names); and the intersection of IP with competition policy. The course will focus primarily on U.S. intellectual property law

Topics in Business Torts

Prof. Mark Gergen

This course offers an introduction to business torts in the United States. The course is intended to introduce students to a few timely and controversial topics in the field and not to be an overview. The topics will include when an information supplier, such as an auditor who certifies financial statements, is subject to liability for negligently misleading recipients of the information; the scope of liability for securities fraud; and tortiously interfering with a computer operating system. No background in United States law is needed.

Digital Antitrust

Prof. Steve Maurer

This course will focus on some of the most exciting and noteworthy issues currently arising in business law: the regulation of competition in the digital age. The course will begin with an overview of U.S. antitrust, and will then focus on prominent recent cases, for example the emerging case of B2B search engines against Google.

Business Associations

Prof. Justin McCrary

The course provides much of the foundation, examining the laws governing the modern business association. We will cover a number of topics, including rules of agency law, corporate formation, corporate identity, rights of creditors, fiduciary duties, corporate governance, executive compensation, mergers and acquisitions and securities fraud. At its core, this is a survey course, so many of the topics we will discuss also have advanced courses in the business law curriculum offering a more detailed treatment.



The Program Law Professors from Tel Aviv University



Professor Hanoch Dagan is a former Dean of Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law and the founding director of the Zvi Meitar Center for Advanced Legal Studies. Professor Dagan is an internationally-renowned expert on Property Law, Unjust Enrichment Law and Jurisprudence. He has published many books and articles in both English and Hebrew and is frequently invited to deliver keynote lectures at leading conferences around the world. He is a visiting professor at leading law schools in the US, including the University of Michigan and Yale.



Professor Sharon Hannes is the former Vice Dean of the Faculty, and current academic director of the Tel Aviv-Berkeley Executive LL.M. Program. Professor Hannes completed his doctoral degree in Law and Finance at Harvard University under the supervision of Professor Aryeh Babchuk. His major fields of research and teaching include Corporate and Securities Law, Mergers and Acquisitions, Performance-based Compensation and the Economic Analysis of Law. He has been a visiting professor at Northwestern University School of Law, Columbia Law School, Bologna University Department of Economics and Georgetown University.



Professor Ariel Porat, former Dean of the Faculty, is a world-renowned expert in the fields of Contract and Torts Law, as well as the Economic Analysis of Private Law. Professor Porat has published numerous articles in leading law reviews in the US and Europe. Proposals from his books and articles have been embraced by the Supreme Court of Israel and by the Restatement on Torts in the US. He currently teaches as a full-time faculty member at TAU Law and has been a visiting professor at UC Berkeley, Columbia, University of Chicago and University of Virginia.



Professor Omri Yadlin is the President of Sapir College and formerly a full-time law professor at TAU Law. He has previously served, among other roles, as Vice-Dean of the Faculty. His field of expertise includes Corporate and Securities Law and the Economic Analysis of Private and Public Law. Professor Yadlin's work has appeared in leading law journals and reviews, both in Israel and abroad. He also teaches at the law schools of UC Berkeley and the University of Michigan.



Professor David Gilo serves as Israel's Antitrust Commissioner and is prominently involved in many of the most significant issues regarding antitrust laws. Professor Gilo earned his Ph.D. from Harvard University, under the supervision of

Professor Louis Kaplow. His series of articles on the effect of passive investments on competitiveness in the market has appeared in many world-leading law journals. His work on regulation and market structure in telecommunications has won international acclaim of academics and regulators.



Professor Ofer Grosskopf, former Vice Dean of the Faculty, serves as an Israeli Central District Court judge. His areas of expertise include Contract Law, Property Law and Unjust Enrichment. Among his many publications are two books

and dozens of articles in major international law reviews in the US, UK, Germany and Israel. Professor Grosskopf is also a member of the Stanford Standard Contracts Tribunal.



Dr. Amir Huri is a senior scholar and lecturer at the Faculty. He specializes in Intellectual Property Rights in Israel, various Arab countries, and the US. Dr. Huri has written extensively and lectures regularly at international conferences, including those held in Israel, Jordan, Oman, UAE and the US.



Professor Yoram Margalioth is a tenured faculty member at TAU Law. His main research field is Tax Law and Policy. His publications include more than 50 articles in leading law journals and reviews.

Professor Margalioth teaches Tax Law, Value-Added Tax (VAT), International Taxation, Taxation Policy and a seminar on Taxation, Welfare and Economic Growth. He previously served as a director of TAU Law's Entrepreneurship and Economic Justice Clinics. He has taught American Tax Law and Taxation Policy at Harvard, the University of Toronto, NYU and Northwestern.



Professor Michael Birnhack is an expert on Intellectual Property (i.e. Copyright Laws and Digital Content). His work has helped establish the Israeli Creative Commons Center. Professor Birnhack regularly advises the Patent Law Revision Committee and has represented the Committee of University Heads of Israel. He has also taught as a visiting faculty member at the George Washington University and Melbourne University.



Professor Ehud Kamar is a Professor of Law and Director of the Tel Aviv University Batya and Isachar Fischer Center for Corporate Governance and Capital Markets Regulation. Professor Kamar is also a Research Associate at the European Corporate Governance Institute. He teaches courses in corporations, securities regulation, mergers and acquisitions, quantitative empirical methods, and deal planning. He has previously practiced law both in Israel and the US, and has been a Visiting Professor at Harvard University, New York University, and the Hebrew University.



Professor Avi Tabbach is a prominent lecturer at Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law and an associate editor of the International Review of Law and Economics. He teaches Taxation, Taxation of Derivatives, Corporate Finance and various other courses in Law and Economics. His research focuses on economic and game theoretical models of law enforcement, tort, taxation and corporate finance. Professor Tabbach has won the Zeltner Prize for exceptional Young Scholars, and has been a Visiting Professor at the Amsterdam Center of Law and Economics at the University of Amsterdam.



The Program Law Professors from US Berkeley



Prof. Kenneth A. Bamberger, A.B.
(Harvard University), J.D. (Harvard Law School)

Professor of Law at the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, and an affiliated faculty of the Berkeley Center on Law, Business and the Economy (BCLBE), and the head of the Tel Aviv-Berkley program, in collaboration with Prof. Hannes. Prof. Bamberger publishes regularly in the major American law journals.



Prof. Peter S. Menell, S.B. (MIT);
M.A., Ph.D. (economics) (Stanford),
J.D. (Harvard)

Professor of Law at the University of California at Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall) and co-founder and Director of the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology. In addition to teaching at Boalt, Professor Menell teaches an annual intensive course on U.S. patent law at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich and has organized more than two dozen intellectual property education programs for the federal judiciary. Professor Menell has published regularly in the major American law journals and wrote many influences books.



Prof. David E. Charron, MBA, Haas School of Business (UC Berkeley)

Has been Working in the field of entrepreneurship and innovation for over 20 years, working with Xerox PARC, Stanford and MIT and various national laboratories. He has been a founder of three companies, most notably Scientific Learning Corporation, a publicly traded neuroscience company founded on technology from UCSF. He is the Executive Director of the Berkeley Innovative Leader Development Initiative at the Haas School of Business. At the Lester Center he runs the incubation program, and has crafted several new initiatives to improve the chances for Berkeley students and their ventures. He holds an engineering degree from Stanford and an MBA from Berkeley.

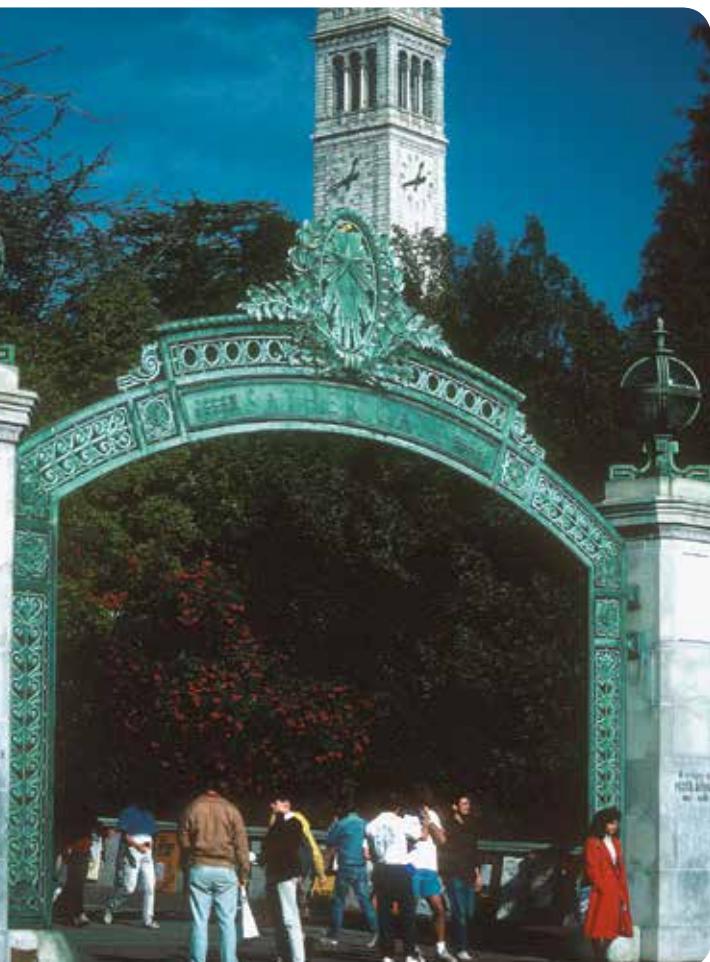


Prof. Reza Dibadj

Visits Hastings from the University of San Francisco, where he is Professor of Law. His recent research has been primarily in the corporate and securities area, though he also writes about antitrust, regulation and administrative law, and social welfare theory.

Learning at UC Berkeley

The University of California, Berkeley (UC Berkeley) houses one of the world's premier law schools. Established in 1868, the Law School is a frontier outpost of learning with proven expertise in various emerging fields of law. Located near California's Silicon Valley, UC Berkley specializes in Commercial Law, Capital Markets Regulation, Antitrust Laws and Intellectual Property. Its faculty includes professors in interdisciplinary fields, such as economics, financing, philosophy and more.



The Law School's internationally renowned faculty members are excellent teachers and prolific scholars. Many have written books and articles that have been published in leading law journals and legal publications. In addition to teaching, most of the professors are active legal practitioners as well. Some of them have served as expert witnesses and legal advisors for important trials regarding antitrust and intellectual property issues.

UC Berkeley enjoys outstanding academic achievements and maintains an amazing campus. Since the famous anti-conformist student protests held in the 1960s, the university is considered one of the most lively and vivid in the world. It is located in a beautiful, resource-rich area, boasting amazing scenery, many fine restaurants, cafes, and great nightlife.

A combination of academic excellence, ideal location, high quality faculty and student body, make UC Berkeley the right choice for hosting our program.

For more information, please visit the faculty's website: <http://www.law.berkeley.edu>.

Student Impressions



"If you want to treat yourself to the perfect gift, hurry and sign up now to the TAU-Berkeley Executive LL.M. program. I gave myself that gift last year and enjoyed every minute of it. For a long time a constant little voice was nagging me to get a master's degree, but it was clear to me that I wanted 'to study' and not just 'be enrolled' for graduate studies. I waited patiently for the right opportunity to come along. Luckily, the waiting paid off. The short, yet intense program addresses current legal issues, features world-class lecturers, high-quality classmates, and to top it all off - a summer semester in California. I surprisingly found out that I can manage my time effectively – having time for family, work, friends and studying. The experiences gathered during my studies and the many new friendships, have left a profound impact on me. Also, the study materials are already influencing my decision making process".

Hanna Flinner, Magistrate Court Judge in Tel Aviv – class of 2012.



"If you're reading this, then you're probably asking yourself, why should I get a master's degree at Tel Aviv-Berkeley? My answer to you is that the program offers a unique opportunity to study at excellent universities, by a team of highly-professional lecturers in Commercial and Corporate Law. The program's staff works hard to address its students' specific needs, sparing a lot of bureaucratic hassle. The father like support of the program's professors, especially Professor Ariel Porat and Professor Omri Yadlin is a huge benefit. They are always willing to listen to students' suggestions and ideas. The program's administrative director, Mrs. Hadas Netta-Chaim will bend over backwards to make sure students receive the assistance they need. In addition, the month at Berkeley is an once-in-a-lifetime experience. I highly recommend the program".

Attorney Aner Berger, former legal advisor to Israel Chemicals Ltd. – class of 2005.



"Through the TAU-Berkeley Program I was able to achieve two goals, which for years I thought were too late for me: first, to pursue my academic goals, while continuing to work full-time as an attorney, and secondly, to enjoy the experience of studying abroad at a prestigious and world-leading academic institute. At the heart of this program is a group of wonderful individuals, which play a major role in my success. A combination of dedicated professors and academic staff, top notch law faculties and amazing classmates – make this program a one of a kind. I am certain it will continue to be the leading LL.M. program in Israel in the years to come, and I would recommend it to anyone without hesitation".

Attorney Avi Ordo, S. Horowitz & Partners – class of 2005.



"The TAU-Berkeley program is an extraordinary combination of all the best in the field of commercial law. The program's fascinating studying materials and eye-opening discussions and seminars, are a strong influence on its participants strengths and intellectual personalities. The program's academic and administrative staff does everything in their power to make the learning experience no less than amazing. I particularly remember how everything was done in such a way that enabled me to stay devoted to my studies without it interfering with my career. Bottom line: I highly recommend it!"

Attorney Uri Bergman, Wexler, Bergman and Partners – class of 2010.



"When I registered for the program, I had no idea how I would find the time to read all the materials, perform the academic tasks and attend lectures on a steady basis. I ended up finding out,

however, that the hours spent on Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings, was my favorite quality time. The program focused on relevant theoretical legal issues from a practical and creative point of view. The wide range of courses and seminars studied throughout the year included interesting topics such as Mergers and Acquisitions, Securities and Antitrust Law, and Introduction to Corporate Financing. Studying at UC Berkeley was also a wonderful experience. Moreover, the stimulating curriculum and outstanding staff, (in particular, Mrs. Hadas Netta-Chaim), make the participation in the program an unforgettable experience. Hadas is amazing, she's always willing to help, and she always wears a smile. I wish you much success, should you choose to join the program".

Attorney Oded Kadosh, Pearl, Cohen Tzedek, Lazer and Partners – class of 2008.



"It was not an easy task for me to go back to school, yet the hunger for meaningful knowledge got me going. I had an urge to broaden my academic horizons, both theoretically and practically, while continuing all my daily affairs (work, family, etc.), and study in a nurturing, accessible and supportive environment. Therefore, after hearing about the TAU-Berkeley LL.M. program, I knew it would be the right thing for me. The intellectually-stimulating program revived my knack for studying, was reasonably demanding and eminently doable. Everything ran like clockwork, the participants were really nice and the program's practical approach is a great advantage as well."

Attorney Ari (Yisrael) Wexler, Berkman, Wexler, Bloom and Partners – class of 2006.

Class of 2014



Class of 2013



Class of 2012



Class of 2011



Class of 2010



Class of 2009



Class of 2008



Class of 2007



Class of 2006



Class of 2005



