

Columbia / Barnard Hillel The Kraft Center For Jewish Student Life

The Norman E Alexander Jewish Leadership Institute

The Kraft Center and Columbia/Barnard Hillel are proud to announce the launch of the Alexander Jewish Leadership Institute with the investment of a \$3 million endowment gift.

The inaugural 2021-22 cohort will consist of 20 rising juniors and seniors, who will spend the academic year as both a think tank and a do tank, exploring key issues facing the Jewish world. The Alexander Jewish Leadership Institute (AJLI) curriculum will address the challenges and opportunities facing the global Jewish community today, and give participants the means to enact change on campus and beyond.

The AJLI is a first of its kind initiative to expand upon the leadership development model proven successful for professionals and lay leadership in the Jewish world and constructed specifically to champion Columbia and Barnard student leaders.

Application Process:

- Interest Form launches Thursday, March 25.
 Filling out the interest form guarantees you will be given first access to the application.
- Application launches on Monday, April 26 and will close on Friday, May 14. Interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis.
- The 2021-2022 cohort will be announced over the summer.

Institute Highlights Include:

- Opening Fall Retreat to connect with your fellow cohort members
- Ongoing Cohort Gatherings, where AJLI fellows will both participate in and facilitate sessions
- Individual Learning Plans, including a \$1,000 stipend for professional development
- International Winter Break Travel
- Creation of a capstone Spring Project, and the opportunity to implement change on campus
- Access to a network of top Jewish professional and lay leaders, University colleagues, and leadership experts