Jewish Life at Carleton

Rabbi Shosh Dworsky

- Rabbi Shosh Dworsky serves as Associate Chaplain for Jewish and Interfaith Life
- Rabbi Shosh provides support for our active Jewish student organization, Jewish Students of Carleton (JSC)

Page East House

- Carleton has a Jewish interest house for Jewish students
- Page East House serves as a center for Jewish activity, complete with a kosher kitchen

Weekly Shabbat

- Every Friday Night in Page House either Rabbi Shosh or students lead a well-attended Shabbat service followed with a student-cooked dinner for Jewish students and the broader Carleton community

Holiday Observances

- High Holidays: Carleton hosts High Holiday services on campus that draw 100+ students and community members to the services and catered meals
- Sukkot: Every year students build an Open Sukkah that welcomes students of all faiths and is accompanied by other festivities
- Tu B’Shevat: Carleton celebrates Tu B’Shevat with a “seder” honoring the trees and inviting campus environmentalists to join
- Purim: Jewish and Hindu students on campus partner each year to host a joint Purim/Holi celebration featuring a Purim spiel and Bollywood dancing that is known to be a highlight of the year by all students
- Passover: Carleton hosts two seders for passover - one a campus-wide seder led by Rabbi Shosh and the other led by students specifically for Jewish students.
- Yom HaShoah: Yom HaShoah is typically commemorated at Carleton with a vigil, service, and speaker
- Shavuot: Shavuot typically falls just as finals approach in the spring, and blintz-making has been a much welcomed form of celebration and de-stressing on Carleton’s campus

Torah Study

- Every week, Carleton has an informal Torah study usually led by the rabbi

Academics and Travel

- Chumie Juni, Assistant Professor of Religion, and Stacy Beckwith, Professor of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, together offer religion and Hebrew language and literature courses at Carleton
- The Jonathan Paradise Israel Experience Scholarship offers a summer study in Israel
- Carleton students often travel to Israel on Taglit-Birthright together
- Carleton encourages and supports students in many other internships, study, and work experiences during school breaks at U.S. and Israeli institutions

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