

EmoryHillel

Emory Hillel was founded in the early 40's and has been the face of Emory's Judaism ever since. While we are building Jewish community every day on campus, we are also connecting our student body to its culture, values and past. Emory Hillel offers a wide array of weekly programming as well as specialty programming throughout the semester. Whether you're interested in public health, Shabbat or even Krav Mega, Emory Hillel provides the infrastructure for Jewish life to thrive at Emory University. We would love to you to join us for Shabbat or even just a tour of the Marcus Hillel Center. Please call at **(404) 895-1541** or visit our website at **EmoryHillel.org**. I welcome your support in ensuring Jewish life continues to thrive at Emory for decades to come. **Rabbi Russ Shulkes Director, Emory Hillel**



Israel

Emory enjoys one of the most Zionistic and thriving Hillels in the country. We regularly partner with the local Israel Consulate and dozens of other Israel advocacy groups to ensure that our students are prepared to intelligently support Israel throughout their lives. Additionally, our annual Birthright trips allow us to expose as many Emory students as possible to the Jewish people's connection to that amazing land.

Atlanta Programming

Emory Hillel is proud to do many joint projects with several of the other universities throughout Georgia. Emory Hillel partners with the other Atlanta Hillels – Georgia Tech Hillel and Georgia State Hillel – allowing our student base to meet and befriend many groups of Jews that they would not otherwise be exposed to. Also, we regularly partner with local synagogues, non-profits and the local Jewish Federation to ensure the highest level of programming for our students.



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Director: Rabbi Russ Shulkes
Program Director: Lauren Blazofsky
Jewish Life Coordinator: Michael Fingerman
Israel Fellow: Moran Shabo



Get Involved

Student Leadership

Emory Hillel enjoys a ten person student Board, as well as 42 other committee positions. These leadership opportunities provide our students first-hand experiences of the ups and downs of leadership roles including delegation, planning, marketing, budgeting, recruitment and community building.

The Freshman Experience

Each year, Emory Hillel improves upon its annual traditions like the Hillel Orientation Bagel Brunch and the Hillel BBQ to give students a taste of Jewish life at Emory. We also attend a Braves game, a Hawks game and we go white water rafting. There is also the 'First Year Students of Hillel', or FYSH program, a mentor program that matches Jewish freshman with upperclassmen based on common interests.

Shabbat & Holidays

Emory Hillel provides a robust Holiday calendar including High Holiday prayers and meals, Passover Seders, Chanukah and Purim parties, as well Sukkah building and Simchat Torah festivities. Additionally, Emory Hillel enjoys a weekly Shabbat meal, preceded by prayers, that is cooked and prepared for students, by students. Regularly, we partner with other organizations and entertainment to ensure that each Shabbat experience is unique and memorable.



Hillel Facts

Student Testimonials

"Growing up in an area with very few Jews, I had to strive to find a strong Jewish community where I could interact with other Jewish kids my age. At Emory, I only have to walk 5 minutes to Hillel in order to be around some of the most amazing and inspiring Jewish students on campus. My favorite parts of Hillel are the friends I've made and always having something Jewish to look forward to whether it is a Matisyahu concert or wild animals coming to Shabbat dinner."
Naomi Zipursky, class of 2017

"As an individual who appreciates being heard, Emory Hillel has become a place that allows me to achieve this desire. The involvement of students in every facet of the organization makes the atmosphere very welcoming, and enables us to feel empowered and frankly – special. The availability of the Hillel staff is refreshing, I know that whatever I hope to achieve at Emory Hillel will be supported and assisted by Hillel staff. There is definitely a reason I return to Hillel every Friday night, and it is for much more than the free dinner."
Samuel Balogh, class of 2018

By The Numbers

933 individual students have joined Emory Hillel for a program this year

7,345 attendees at events this year

145 events this year

31 Israel events

15 Jewish organizations exist on campus

16 Hillel organized Seders throughout Campus

24% of Emory's undergrad population is Jewish

2,734 free meals served

