JEWISH COMMUNAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

» The Jewish Communal Leadership Program offers a distinctive educational opportunity for emerging leaders committed to helping Jewish communities meet 21st-century challenges while also addressing broader social concerns.

» Students combine study of community systems, theories of social change and Jewish history and community, with training and experience in community organizing, nonprofit management, dialogue facilitation and coalition building within and across groups.

PROGRAM FUNDING

» Nonresident Student: $7,000–10,000/semester ($47,000 total)

» Resident Student: $3,500–5,000/semester ($23,500 total)

APPLICATION DEADLINES

» December 1 [early]

» February 1 [priority]

» March 1

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“I want to explore the intersection of Jewish life and aging and have a better understanding about how the Jewish community can better care for an aging population,” Mariel Schwartz said.

Mariel’s field placement as a geriatric care manager is with Jewish Family Service of Metro Detroit, where she works with older adults, including many Holocaust survivors, who are often homebound and need assistance with the services available to them.

“It’s such an honor to work with the Holocaust survivors,” Mariel said. “Often survivors need help with their life certificate to obtain restitution funds, but others are so happy to have someone listen to their stories and make a personal connection. The next generation won’t have the privilege to work with Holocaust survivors.”

“The Jewish Communal Leadership Program has helped me blend my personal and professional goals into an attainable reality.”