

HU and TAU law faculties ranked among world's top 100

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Rankings formulated by QS World University Rankings according to set criteria; Hebrew University's Law Faculty rates as best in Israel.

The Faculties of Law at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and at Tel Aviv University **have been ranked in the top 100 law faculties in the world.** The rankings were formulated by QS World University Rankings, an annual league table of the top 600 universities in the world.

QS World University Rankings rates faculties according to set criteria, including the number of citations in peer-reviewed journals of articles written by faculty researchers, academic peer reviews, and evaluations by recruitment companies.

Harvard University in the US was ranked as the world's best for law, with the UK's Oxford and Cambridge universities in second and third place, respectively.

The ratings are divided into two groups of 50, and the Hebrew University and Tel Aviv University both placed in the second 50 universities.

The Hebrew University's Law Faculty also rated as the best in Israel, according to the same ranking system.

Prof. Barak Medina, Dean of the Hebrew University's Law Faculty, said the ranking reflected the quality of research carried out by faculty academics.

"It's also reflected in the excellent achievements of our graduates in the public, private and academic sectors," added Medina. **"The Hebrew University is an international institution, and in addition to our academic program in Hebrew, we**

also run graduate and Ph.D. programs in English, which attract outstanding students from around the world.”

Hebrew University President Prof. Menachem Ben-Sasson, a former chairman of the Knesset Constitution, Law and Justice Committee, said the faculty was a “workshop for lawyers, lawmakers, researchers and leaders from education and research institutions in social, economic and theoretical fields.”

That two law faculties from Israel are ranked among the world’s top 100 may also be a reflection on the popularity of the legal profession in Israel.

According to the Israel Bar Association, the ratio of lawyers to the general population in Israel is one of the highest in the world – and that number is growing.

The country currently has more than 46,000 lawyers. In other words: One in every 165 Israelis is a lawyer.