



# *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

## *Syllabus*

### *Visualization and Sonification - 67737*

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*HU Credits:* 3

*Degree/Cycle:* 1st degree (Bachelor)

*Responsible Department:* Computer Sciences

*Academic year:* 0

*Semester:* 2nd Semester

*Teaching Languages:* Hebrew

*Campus:* E. Safra

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*Coordinator Office Hours:*

*Teaching Staff:*

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Course/Module description:

The course attempts to characterize the optimal way to present multi-dimensional information in two modalities: Data Visualization and Data Sonification (i.e. using auditory representations)

The course focuses on tools for converting rich and dynamic information such as activity in social networks, multi-channel information, etc.

In the first part of the course we will discuss the characteristics of successful visualizations and sonifications and how they relate to the constraints of the human perceptual and cognitive systems.

In the second part of the course we will adopt a computational approach to examine how to simplify large amounts of data by using dimensional reduction techniques.

The course is open to students of the combined program of Bezalel and computer science.

Other students who wish to participate in the course will seek approval from  
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Course/Module aims:

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

During the course, the students will submit two projects that present multidimensional information through an innovative combination of visualization and sonification.

Attendance requirements(%):

100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction:

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Course/Module Content:

Week 1: introduction  
Week 2: Learning the constraints of the visual system  
Week 3: Learning the constraints of the auditory system  
Week 4: Learning the constraints on attention, memory & cognitive processing  
Week 5: Midterm projects  
Week 6: Introduction to modeling: graphs and metric spaces  
Week 7: Introduction to optimization  
Week 8: Introduction to clustering techniques  
Week 9: Introduction to dimensionality reduction & embeddings  
Week 10-15: Final projects

Required Reading:

Presentation will be delivered throughout the course

Additional Reading Material:

Grading Scheme:

Additional information: