



# *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

## *Syllabus*

### *DISCRETE MATHEMATICS - 80181*

*Last update 08-05-2024*

*HU Credits: 5*

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

*Responsible Department: Mathematics*

*Academic year: 0*

*Semester: 1st and/or 2nd Semester*

*Teaching Languages: Hebrew*

*Campus: E. Safra*

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Course/Module description:

1. Logic - Boolean operations, truth tables, propositional calculus and semantic
  2. Set theory - operations on sets, Cartesian product, functions
  3. Relations - equivalence and order relations, partially ordered sets
  4. Counting problems - counting with and without order importance, set partitions
  5. Identities - the binomial and multinomial formulas, combinatorial and algebraic proofs
  6. Reflection method - Catalan numbers
  7. Inclusion-exclusion principal - enumeration surjective maps, enumeration permutations without fixed point, Euler's function
  8. Induction and recursion - proofs by complete induction, solving of combinatorial problems with the aid of recursion, Fibonacci numbers
  9. Pigeonhole principle - Erdos-Szekeres theorem
  10. Asymptotic analysis - asymptotic analysis of combinatorial problems
  11. Graphs - paths, connectivity, cycles, trees, bipartite graphs, Eulerian trails and cycles, Hamiltonian trails and cycles, matching, Hall's marriage theorem, colored graphs, Ramsey theory
- Additional topics may be studied.  
In the academic year 2023-2024, Reflection method, Catalan numbers, Asymptotic analysis, matching and the marriage theorem will not be studied.

Course/Module aims:

Providing basic notions of Discrete Math and developing the ability to solve problems.

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

Solve elementary problems in set theory, combinatorics, and graph theory.

Attendance requirements(%):

none

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Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lecture + exercise session

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Required Reading:

none

Additional Reading Material:

Nati Linial, Michal Parnas,  
Discrete Mathematics (Hebrew)

Grading Scheme:

Written / Oral / Practical Exam 90 %

Submission assignments during the semester: Exercises / Essays / Audits / Reports / Forum / Simulation / others 10 %

Additional information:

Grading schemes in semester A and semester B may be different. See the course

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