

Riverdale Jewish Center

5770 Rabbinic Interns



Josh Dredze, Senior Intern

Josh hails from Chicago where he attended the Ida Crown Jewish Academy for high school. Josh then studied in Israel at Yeshivat Shaalvim for a year and a half before enrolling at Yeshiva University. At YU, Josh completed a BA in psychology and then continued on at RIETS, including a year of study at the Gruss Kollel in Israel. Currently, Josh is finishing up a Master's in Social Work and studying in the YU Kollel.

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Michael Stein, Senior Intern

Michael Stein is a Teaneck native who is currently living in Washington Heights. His academic career includes two years of study in Yeshivat Har Etzion, and a bachelor's degree in Psychology from Yeshiva University. He is currently studying in Yeshiva University's Semicha program and earning his master's degree in Medieval Jewish History.



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Simmy Shabtai

Simmy is a Brooklyn native who attended Yeshivah of Flatbush. After a year of study in Yeshivat Reishit Yerushalayim, Simmy earned a B.A. in Judaic Studies from Yeshiva College, and is now completing his last year of semicha at YU. He is also pursuing a master's degree in Medieval Jewish History. Last year Simmy was a rabbinic intern at the Beth Din of America in downtown Manhattan.

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