Leadership Certificate in Combating Antisemitism for Lay Leaders

Now for Trustees and Board Members of Jewish Organizations. You need this training now, more than ever before.
Why do you need this program?

Antisemitism has reached historic levels in the United States and Canada.

There is a critical need for Jewish communal leaders to respond with knowledge, strength, and skill. To be ready, you need training.

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Program Elements

Learn with Other Organizational Leaders in Real-Time
Four weekly two-hour online sessions

Delve into Issues and Strategies
One three-day seminar at Spertus Institute’s Chicago campus

Develop a Strong Network
Build bonds and share resources with other lay leaders

Gain a Tool Kit of Practical Skills
Content combines theory and practice, case studies and experiential learning

As a participant, you will gain:

- Broad knowledge of historical and current manifestations of antisemitism
- A network of institutional leaders with whom you can share talents, resources, relationships, and support
- Skills in community engagement, risk assessment, and strategic philanthropy
- Confidence in crisis communications and critical conversations
- Skills to build interreligious bonds and cross-community alliances
- Knowledge of how antisemitism manifests in social media
Spertus specializes in combining a theoretical and historical perspective along with action. We dove into deep discussions of old solutions as well as new strategies that our community needs.

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Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation of Chicago  
Graduate of Leadership Certificate in Combating Antisemitism

For Board Members and Trustees of Jewish Organizations

For the upcoming cohort, we are accepting applications from those in lay leadership positions in North American Jewish organizations of all types, including social justice, social services, synagogues, advocacy, education, community relations, philanthropy, campus engagement, and interreligious partnerships.

Admission Deadlines

October 15, 2024—Preferred Admission Deadline  
($50 application fee waived)  
December 2, 2024—Final Application Deadline

Program Dates

Online sessions | 6 pm–8 pm CT  
Tuesday, February 11, 2025  
Tuesday, February 18, 2025  
Tuesday, February 25, 2025  
Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Onsite Seminar at Spertus Institute’s Award-Winning Downtown Chicago Campus

Sunday-Tuesday, March 9-11, 2025

Cost

The cost to participate is $3,000  
This amount is significantly reduced from the full cost of the program due to the generosity of local and national donors.

Travel and accommodations, as applicable, for the March 9-11, 2025, seminar in Chicago are not included.

Learn More

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Jewish Learning for a Better World

The Leadership Certificate in Combating Antisemitism for Lay Leaders program is designed to enable individuals and their organizations to combat antisemitism as it relates to their mission and communal role.

As a signature Spertus Institute educational initiative, this program engages critical contemporary and emerging issues through Jewish lenses, utilizing scholarship to build adaptive capacity for a rapidly changing world. Ultimately, it empowers participants to make substantial, significant impact in their communities.

The Leadership Certificate in Combating Antisemitism for Lay Leaders is presented in conjunction with Spertus Institute’s Center for Jewish Leadership, supported in part by a generous grant from the Crown Family.

Spertus Institute is a partner with the Jewish United Fund in serving our community.

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