

Joseph Bedyk

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I am a graduate of the University of Cambridge, Yeshivat Har Etzion, Bnei Akiva and the Federation of Zionist Youth. I enjoy all things associated with data analysis, foreign policy, security studies (Israeli, Middle Eastern and global), Jewish philosophy, and Everton Football Club. I have been playing the piano since the age of six, was a member of my college's rowing club in Cambridge, published my first book at the age of twenty during my two years in Yeshiva, and made Aliyah because I could not imagine living anywhere else.

Education

Tel Aviv University MA - Security Studies (2017-2019)

University of Cambridge BA - Politics and International Relations (2014-2017)

Yeshivat Har Etzion (Alon Shvut) (2012-2014)

Previous work experience

Foreign Policy Researcher - Foundation for Defence of Democracies (FDD) - Washington D.C. (2016)

- My research at the major Washington-based think-tank included analysing the security and military relationship between Iran and Syria, Palestinian terrorist activity in the West Bank, domestic Libyan politics, and the international BDS movement

Foreign Policy Researcher - The Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs (JCPA) - Jerusalem (2015)

- I was responsible for the research, information gathering and data analysis of comprehensive and detailed reports conducted by the JCPA, the subjects of which included the JCPOA Iran Nuclear Deal, Palestinian refugee camps and Vatican-Israel relations

Legal Barrister Chambers (Goldsmith Chambers) - United Kingdom (2016)

- I implemented projects for both the Head of Chambers and the chamber's Project Manager, which included the organisation of a seminar on International Law, Human Rights and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), research analysis which explored ways to improve the organisation's internal policies, and taking a leading role in creating, managing and updating the chamber's new website

Leadership Experience

Co-founder and Organiser of a University of Cambridge sell-out international conference (2017)

“Borderlines Conference: Religion, Nationalism and Identity in the Contemporary World”

- I founded and organised an interdisciplinary conference at which research was presented on the interactions and intersections between religion, nationalism and identity in the contemporary world. Speakers included academics, diplomats, politicians, religious scholars and political/social leaders
- I was responsible for securing sponsorship and managing costs, confirming our national and international speakers, organising the panel debates and the subject of the keynote address, and ensuring excellent publicity and attendance. All 180 tickets for the conference were sold, with 100 people on our waiting list

President, Cambridge University Jewish Society (2015)

- I was the representative of the Jewish community at the University of Cambridge, which included managing relations with the media, national and international Jewish organisations, student groups, and university institutions. I led the 30 members of the society's committee, organised almost daily events, was responsible for the security of the Jewish student population and the Jewish society building, ran publicity campaigns and gave weekly public speeches to update members on the state of the society

Deputy Head of Press - The Cambridge Union Society (2015)

Deputy Head of Events Management - The Cambridge Union Society (2015)

Youth Movements

Leader of month-long trip to Israel (‘Israel Machane’) - Bnei Akiva Movement (July-August 2015)

- I organised and managed a month-long summer trip to Israel with my youth movement, Bnei Akiva UK. I was responsible for the educational seminars, entertainment programmes and general welfare for forty 16-17 year olds

References available on request: