



ENSURE SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION PATTERNS

**RESEARCH**

**Sustainable management of waste in Israel: From research to policy design**

Dr. Yaniv Reingewertz, from the School of Political Science, won a grant for creating a behavioral-economic model for source separation of waste – Field Experiment in the City of Tamra. The winning groups represent the forefront of advancing the university's vision for social and environmental sustainability: conducting research or teaching on social and environmental issues, aiming to 'step out of the ivory tower' of academia, foster multi-sector collaborations, and contribute directly to society and the environment.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**The Law, Technology, and Cyber Clinic**

The 'Digital Accessibility for Seniors' project of the [Law, Technology and Cyber Clinic](#), focuses on making online services, including government services and online shopping, accessible to the elderly.



BLUE SEA, by Maya Kassif, Department of Fashion Design, 2022.

**LEARNING AND STUDENTS**

**Call for Sustainability: 'White Repair' Studio**

Dr. Rachel Getz-Salomon and Mr. David Veksler won a grant to teach a course on fashion production and creation with an environmental and social perspective. They will guide students in conducting in-depth research into historical methods of preservation and sustainability within human culture, focusing on various traditions of repair and patching. These traditions seem absent from the Western consumer landscape, where a culture of excess has reached a particularly dangerous point. Within the context of the fashion industry, such sustainable practices highlight ways to rethink production and creation through an environmental and social lens.

**From Waste to Worth**

Prof. Ofira Ayalon from the School of Environmental Studies hosted [a conference](#) titled 'From Waste to Worth: European Solutions for Israel's Waste Crisis'. Scholars examined various aspects of the issue and explored the applicability of European solutions to the Israeli context. The conference was free and open to all.

**Sustainability and Environmentalism – Community Issues**

[This course](#) provides an overview of theories and empirical data from current research on environmental and sustainability

issues, with an emphasis on global trends. It will highlight how consumer society and consumer culture shape individuals and communities, influencing their built, natural, and social environments, as well as various scenarios for what to expect in the future.

**OPERATIONS**

**New Service: Lockers**

[Smart lockers](#) have been installed on campus for the University community to receive, send, and store deliveries conveniently near their offices or classrooms. These lockers can also be rented by the hour for personal storage. Located at the end of Shopping Avenue next to the Main Building, the lockers will be accessible 24/7 for collecting deliveries.

**Thrifting for Free**

As part of the University's commitment to sustainable

consumption, a second-hand clothing stall continues to operate on campus this year. Employees are invited to 'sort out closets' and bring clothes in good condition to the dedicated corner on the 600th floor, and of course find 'new' garments for themselves and their family members. The stall is staffed, at times, with employees who assist in arranging and sorting the clothes. Clothing can be given and taken at any convenient time.

**Rebooks on Campus**

Hebrew Book Week is an annual celebration of Hebrew literature held every June in Israel. This year, the Division of Innovation & Sustainability partnered with [Rebooks, a social bookstore chain](#), to host a discounted book fair at the University of Haifa on. Rebooks serves as a rehabilitation and training center for individuals facing occupational barriers, providing vocational training and opportunities for integration into the labor market.



Rebooks book fair (Credit: University of Haifa).