

<b>Name of Course:</b>	Issues in Modern Technology in the Language Class (M.Ed.) סוגיות בתקשוב בהוראת אנגלית (תואר שני)
<b>Name of Teacher:</b>	Dr. Elaine Hoter
<b>Number of Hours:</b>	Two hours weekly for one semester
<b>Type of Course:</b>	Lecture (first year, compulsory)
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Basic computer skills

**Course Description:** This blended learning course focuses on current issues related to the research and practice of educational technology in language classes. We will examine recent trends including: ethics, research, equity, access, literacy, and school reform.

- Course Objectives:**
1. Students will gain an overall view of the changes the Internet is having on our society and in the language classroom.
  2. Students will become critically aware of the issues and challenges of the digital age.

- Course Outline:**
1. Theoretical perspectives on educational technology (historical overview)
  2. Social, human & ethical issues in educational technology
    - 2.1 Privacy
    - 2.2 Technology & cultural diversity
    - 2.3 Copyright & fair use
    - 2.4 Equitable access
    - 2.5 Cyber-bullying

2.6 Addiction

2.7 Accessibility

3. Information & media literacy
4. Educational technology policy
5. Planning & evaluating technology adoption
6. A critical look at online writing tools
7. Integration of social media in the language classroom, issues with facebook.
8. Emerging technologies (global and local implications)
9. Digital natives vs. digital immigrants
10. Millennials as learners and instructional strategies for 21<sup>st</sup> Century learners
11. Traditional and emerging literacies (hyper texting in the literature class)
12. Legal issues in media and technology
13. Creative integration of media and technology in the classroom
14. Critical perspective of various institutional contexts of technology in language classes

**Methods of Teaching:** Face-to-face and online discussions, lectures, group work, reading traditional and current online articles

**Course Requirements:**

1. Group wiki discussions on the texts and topics
2. On site interviews with teachers and pupils
3. Technologies used: annotate, prezzi, minddomo, glogster
4. Interactive poster presentations on the topics

**Assessment:**

70% Ongoing assessment

30% Project

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