

Tulane hosts first 'Globalization and Culture in Israel' conference

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Sizeler Family Professor Brian Horowitz and Professor of Practice Ari Ofengenden of Tulane University's Department of Jewish Studies are among a roster of international speakers at the first "Globalization and Culture in Israel" conference, taking place April 4-5 on the Tulane campus.

The first ["Globalization and Culture in Israel" conference](#) takes place April 4-5 on Tulane University's uptown campus. The conference will be held in Tulane's Jewish Studies Building Conference Room 103 at 7031 Freret Street in New Orleans.

"The conference is about what happens to culture under globalization — how culture changes. Israel's culture is dramatically changing because of its integration into the

world economy ... and we'd like to see what that means for different kinds of cultural expression in Israel," said Tulane Professor of Practice Ari Ofengenden, who, along with Sizeler Family Professor Brian Horowitz, is one of the featured speakers.

"[The conference is] a chance for students to come and gain some exposure to [the effects of globalization in Israel] and a chance for scholars to create an atmosphere of sharing knowledge and science," added Horowitz.

The event kicks off Thursday, April 4, with a screening of "[Land Without Borders](#)," a documentary directed by award-winning author and filmmaker Nir Baram, based on his travels between Israel and Palestine. It will be shown in Freeman Auditorium at 7 p.m. and followed by a discussion and question-and-answer session. The conference continues at 9:30 a.m. on Friday with a roster of international speakers. The events are free and open to the public.

"Globalization and Culture in Israel" is sponsored by the Tulane [Department of Jewish Studies](#), Tulane Jewish Studies' Israel 360 Hub and Tulane's [School of Liberal Arts](#) in conjunction with [the Stacy Mandel Palagye and Keith Palagye Program for Middle East Peace](#).

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