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100 Trees for 100 Years

A Centennial Initiative to Rejuvenate
and Enhance the Technion's Kislak Park



Situated in Haifa, the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, founded in 1912, stands as Israel's oldest university, offering a wide array of degrees in science, engineering, and interdisciplinary fields to its diverse student body of over 15,000. Known for its groundbreaking research in areas such as energy, nanotechnology, and life sciences, the Technion hosts 18 academic faculties and over 60 research centers, playing a pivotal role in shaping both academic discourse and the socio-economic landscape of Israel.

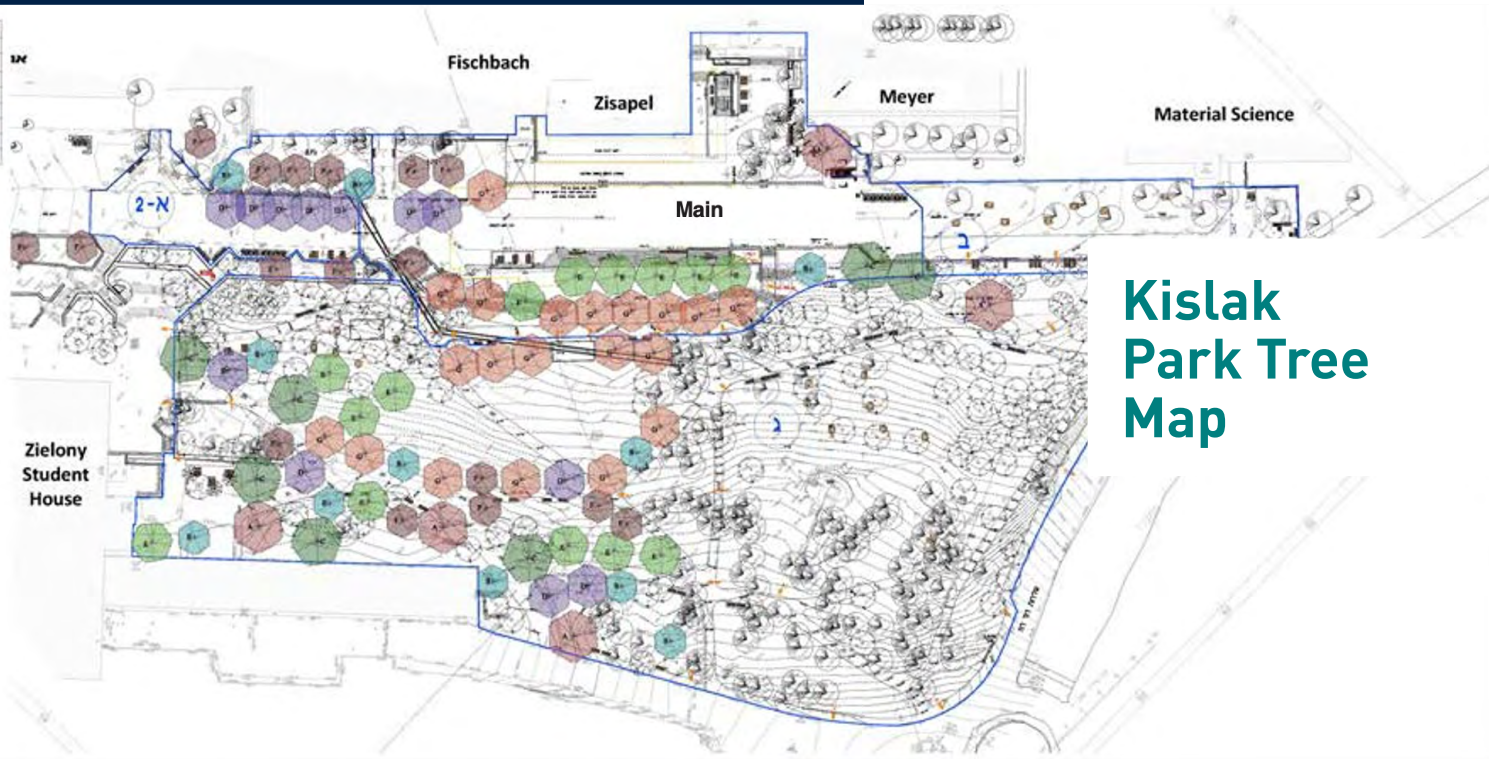
With a rich history spanning a century, the Technion maintains its position as a globally recognized institution, consistently ranking among the top academic establishments worldwide. Its sprawling campus overlooking the Mediterranean serves as a hub for applied research, attracting renowned faculty members and fostering a culture of innovation and collaboration. Among its 565 faculty members are leaders in their fields, boasting numerous international honors and prizes, including three Nobel Prizes, and contributing significantly to the advancement of knowledge through their research endeavors.

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About the “100 Trees for 100 Years” Initiative

Planting a tree is a powerful way to honor the Technion's rich history while contributing to its promising future. In the Jewish faith, planting a tree is a tradition that has many meanings, and is a way to honor loved ones, celebrate life, and teach about the circle of life.



Cherished for its interconnecting pathways jeweled with art installations, a walk through Kislak Park provides the opportunity to commune with nature as the entire campus community makes its way to adjoining areas of the University. An open performance area built into this natural setting is the backdrop for concerts, dances, Student Day festivities, and more. The aim of the “100 Trees for 100 Years” initiative is to further transform the park into a serene green haven that blends with the lush Carmel Forest enveloping the Technion. This hallmark campus beautification project encompasses not only the planting of diverse saplings but also the careful transplantation and preservation of mature carob and oak trees from other parts of campus, which will convey an enhanced sense of the Technion’s connection to the land of Israel. These new trees will be enjoyed by generations to come, and as they flourish, so too will the Technion’s researchers and students, whose discoveries continue to illuminate the world.

The trees that the Technion intends to plant include *Pistacia atlantica* (Pistachio tree), *Ceratonia siliqua* (Carob tree), *Quercus ithaburensis* (Mount Tabor oak), *Quercus coccifera* (Kermes oak), *Celtis australis* (European nettle tree), *Cercis siliquastrum* (Judas tree), and *Ulmus parvifolia* (Chinese elm). All these trees (except the last) are indigenous to Israel and the Middle East, representing a cross-section of local flora.

The “100 Trees for 100 Years” initiative will leave a lasting mark on the Technion campus, ensuring that the newly planted trees stand as a testament to their supporters’ commitment to the University and its bright future. ■





Funding Opportunity

\$18,000 CAD

A gift of **\$18,000 CAD** will sponsor the planting of one tree in or near Kislak Park in mid-February 2025. This invaluable support will enable the Technion to bring the vision of a rejuvenated park to life, offering lasting natural beauty and emotional experiences to students, faculty, staff, and the wider community as the University embarks on its journey into the next century.



Donor Recognition

Donors who contribute to the Technion's "100 Trees for 100 Years" campaign, in celebration of the Technion's centennial, will be honored with a commemorative plaque placed beside their sponsored tree. This meaningful gesture serves as a lasting tribute, growing alongside the Technion for the next hundred years. Each tree symbolizes not only the growth of the Technion but also the enduring connection between our supporters and our mission to advance science, technology, and global progress.





Thank You

The Technion would like to take this opportunity to thank its loyal friends and donors who support this vital initiative and help to maintain the University's position among the top in the world.



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