Cantorial Certification Program – Courses

(Last revised March, 2015 – selections may vary slightly from year to year)

Year One
- Liturgical Arts Core – Shabbat (Contemporary and Traditional Repertoire; Modes; Siddur structure, history, translation and interpretation) (Kallot and online) 4 credits
- Judaic Studies – Tanach (Kallot and online) 2 credits
- The Cantor and the Congregational Voice (Kallot plus reading and preparatory time in between) 1 credit
- Self and System: Reflective Practice (Kallot plus assigned reading and preparation in between) 1 credit
- Cantorial Coaching (weekly online or in person) 1 credit
- Congregational Practice (Fieldwork in one’s own congregation) 3 credits

Year Two
- Liturgical Arts Core – High Holy Days (Contemporary and Traditional Repertoire; Modes; Makhzor structure, history, translation and interpretation) (Kallot and online) 4 credits
- Judaic Studies – Rabbinic Literature (Mishnah through end of 18th century, including Midrash and historical context) (Kallot and online) 2 credits
- Jewish Music Education (Kallot plus preparatory time in between) 1 credit
- Self and System: Reflective Practice (Kallot plus assigned reading and preparation in between) 1 credit
- Coaching (weekly online or in person) 1 credit
- Congregational Practice 3 credits

Year Three
Liturgical Arts Core – Shalosh Regalim Liturgy (Contemporary and Traditional Repertoire; Modes; Liturgical structure, history, translation and interpretation) (Kallot and online) 4 credits
History of the Cantorate/American Jewish History (kallot and online) 2 credits
Life Cycle Liturgy and Repertoire (Kallot plus preparatory time in between) 1 credit
Self and System: Reflective Practice (Kallot plus assigned reading and preparation in between) 1 credit
Coaching (weekly online or in person) 1 credit
Congregational Practice 3 credits

Year Four
Preparation for Oral Comprehensive Exams 2 credits
Life Cycle Counseling 1 credit
Arranging and Harmonization (Kallot plus preparatory time in between) 1 credit
Advanced Cantillation 1 credit
Self and System 1 credit
Coaching (weekly online or in person) 1 credit
Congregational Practice 3 credits

Jerusalem Summer Ulpan (the program begins with this ulpan)
Hebrew
Israel's History Through Music
Bible Seminar and Field Trips

**Notes:**

All four years will include Professional and Spiritual Development sessions, Practica and Tefilah facilitation which will be communally processed, exploration of choral repertoire and Art Song, as well as other guests and professional development opportunities.

Certain individuals may be required to take advantage of outside courses or tutoring in order to further improve musical or Hebrew skills while in the program.