WHAT is the Zin Fellows Leadership Program?

The Zin Fellows Leadership Program creates a cohort of passionate community leaders who are committed to improving the world by advancing David Ben-Gurion's vision for creating a world-class institution of education and research in the Israeli desert.

- The Program runs over two years and consists of 15-20 people from across the United States
- Three in-person gatherings; two in the U.S. and one in Israel
- Gatherings combine education, touring, socializing, networking and entertainment activities
- BGU faculty and guest speakers from a wide range of disciplines
- Program is funded through donor dollars
- Zin Fellows are asked to give a minimum $5,000 gift at conclusion of the program

The program provides an in-depth course of study that provides participants with the insight and knowledge to become partners in the remarkable and ambassadors for Israel and Ben-Gurion University (BGU) in their local communities.

"I don’t have the words to express my gratitude for the opportunity to see, to experience and ultimately to fall in love with the Negev."

MYTYL SIMANCAS, COHORT III AND MIAMI COMMUNITY LEADER
**WHO Are Zin Fellows?**

- Individuals in their 30s to 50s who have demonstrated leadership abilities in their personal, professional and/or community lives
- Candidates are committed to Israel, its future and are dedicated to the pursuit of a meaningful educational experience through the program
- Participants can commit to the dates of in person gatherings

“There is a gift to be named a Zin Fellow.”
KEN BLOOM
COHORT IV

**WHEN & WHERE Are Meetings?**

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Participation in the Americans for Ben-Gurion University Zin Fellows Leadership Program is by nomination only. Nominations are coordinated through Americans for Ben-Gurion University.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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...and 20 alumni serve on the Americans for Ben-Gurion University National Board.