



JCAT PARTNERS | Jewish Cultural Awareness Training Curriculum

Jewish cultural education for security professionals who protect Jewish people and institutions — building the cultural knowledge that strengthens every relationship.

The Jewish Community

Gain a clear picture of how Jewish communities function and how these dynamics shape safety risk and response.

- Demographics, cultural hubs, and community institutions
- Trends in community size, population growth, and diversity
- National and local antisemitism trends

Denominations and Movements

Develop a nuanced understanding of the Jewish religious landscape and cultural dynamics.

- Differences between denominations, movements, and synagogues
- Beliefs, practices, and cultural norms across traditions
- How denominational characteristics shape schedules and personal interactions

The Synagogue

Understand the synagogue as both a spiritual center and community hub, and how to operate within it with cultural awareness.

- Significance of core spaces and ritual objects
- Best practices for engaging with congregation staff and clergy
- Governance, schedules, and holiday observance practices

Terminology and Guidance

Build cultural fluency and situational awareness to engage confidently and respectfully.

- Jewish words and terms to know, and either use or avoid
- Foundational Jewish values and organizational culture
- Antisemitism history and tropes

Holidays and Rituals

Gain practical knowledge to support communities year-round with insight and expertise.

- Full calendar of major holidays and seasonal observances
- How each holiday is observed and protected
- Lifecycle rituals, including birth, bar/bat mitzvah, marriage, mourning practices

Current Events and Resources

Leave with an up-to-date understanding of the threat landscape, trusted sources for support and a roadmap to continue the learning.

- Current statistics and patterns in antisemitic incidents
- Key organizations for Jewish community safety and resilience
- Curated resources for ongoing learning

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