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## Shepard D. Osherow Field Training Program at the School of Social Work and Social Welfare

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The Osherow Field Training Program, in its 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, continues to be a very popular and effective training program in the field work division of the University. Agencies are eager to have our students and there are more requests for them than our ability to fulfill these requests. When a graduate applies for a job in the field of child welfare saying, "I trained in Osherow" it opens doors in a tight job market. This year, again, our students were offered employment in the agency where they were placed as students. One of our earlier students recently was promoted to be director of the division where several years ago she was a student. Many of the innovative and creative programs which one sees today in child welfare have been initiated by our graduates. The drive to look for ways to improve the services to children and families in need is one of the basic messages of the "Osherow" approach.

In 2008-2009 we trained 20 students working in twelve agencies. We continue to place a student in The Shusterman Child and Family Assessment Center, a shelter for emergency placement and diagnostic assessment, and in Bet Hayered, which sponsors a residential as well as a therapeutic day program for youngsters from dysfunctional homes, who suffer from behavioral, educational, and often emotional problems. OrrShalom, today one of the major child care agencies in Israel, operates 25 group homes. Six of the homes are in the Jerusalem area and offer three of our students an opportunity to learn what it is to be a social worker in a group home.

### THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM AT A GLANCE

FOUNDED: 1918, Opened: 1925

FOUNDERS: Albert Einstein, Sigmund Freud, Martin Buber and Chaim Weizmann

CAMPUSES: Mount Scopus, Edmond J. Safra at Givat Ram, Ein Kerem, and Rehovot

DEGREES GRANTED TO DATE: More than 110,000

70% of the students come from outside Jerusalem, and the University provides 5500 beds

RESEARCH: More than 100 research centers and 4500 ongoing research projects, representing approximately 33% of all civilian research in Israel

RECOGNITION: Seven Nobel prizes and 251 Israel prizes

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