

Eitan Bloostein Bio

Eitan Bloostein is in his final semester of rabbinical school at the Jewish Theological Seminary and is excited to be ordained this coming May. For the past four years, Eitan has been serving as Rabbinic Intern and sole rabbinic presence at Congregation Eitz Chaim in Monroe, NY. He is also serving in his second year as Rabbinic Intern at Sutton Place Synagogue in New York City. In these roles, he engages deeply with all members of the community, including religious school students, high schoolers, young professionals, families, empty-nesters, and more. He is also deeply involved in conversion processes, adult education, young professional programming, and life-cycle preparation.

Eitan is a proud product of the Boston Jewish community, having attended Schechter Boston and Gann Academy. Before college, Eitan spent a year at Yeshivat Ma'aleh Gilboa in Israel where he studied Talmud, Tanakh, and other Jewish texts. Eitan graduated *summa cum laude* from Tufts University, where he majored in Religion and served as an Israel Programming Fellow at Hillel. Before starting rabbinical school, Eitan worked as the Director of Youth and Teen Engagement at Temple Aliyah in Needham, MA, and also taught adult education classes.

Outside of school, Eitan participates in Yashrut—a weekly class on *halakha* under Rabbi Daniel Landes. As part of his studies, Eitan is pursuing an MA in Talmud. When not working or learning, you can find Eitan running in Riverside Park, playing tennis in Central Park, or cooking and baking for a delicious meal.