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Dear Students:

Welcome to Yeshiva University! It is a personal pleasure to present you with a copy of *Torah Umadda: The Encounter of Religious Learning and Worldly Knowledge in the Jewish Tradition* as my gift to you.

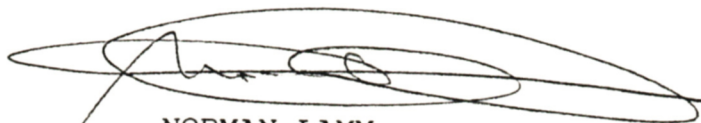
This book was written more for you, my students, than for any other group within the Jewish and academic community. It reflects my commitment to the basic truth we hold so dear at Yeshiva: that the *ben* and *bat torah* must encounter and struggle with the issues raised by our study of the secular even as we are fully immersed in and guided by the world of the Torah.

I know that during your years with us, you will frequently and unavoidably be confronted by Torah Umadda issues. Do not shy away from them. Meet them head on with the help of your rabbis and teachers as well as your colleagues and schoolmates. I pray that my book, which is not the end of your search but part of the beginning, will help you in your intellectual and spiritual quests.

Most of all, may you have *siata di'shemaya* in all your undertakings.

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Cordially yours,



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