

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON
Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: Jewish Studies Graduate Fellowship Program

The Stroum Center for Jewish Studies at the University of Washington is now accepting applications for supplemental graduate fellowships for the 2015-2016 academic year. Any graduate student planning to be enrolled at the University of Washington for the 2015-2016 academic year is eligible to apply, as long as they can demonstrate a connection between their research and Jewish Studies topics. The amount per fellowship will be \$3000. Multiple fellowships are available. Support may also be available for conference travel related to students' research projects.

The primary goal of this fellowship is to build intellectual community as well as professional skills. Jewish Studies Graduate Fellows will participate in regular workshops led by members of the Jewish Studies faculty to gain training in the current issues and methodologies of the field. Students will have the opportunity to get valuable feedback and mentorship for their research projects, and the year will culminate with public presentations at the Spring Research Symposium.

During the 2015-2016 academic year, Fellows will be **required** to:

- Enroll in a 1-credit workshop series each quarter on Jewish Studies and Public Scholarship and attend all scheduled meetings*
- Present a scholarly paper at the Jewish Studies Spring Research Symposium
- Contribute two short blog posts to **jewishstudies.washington.edu**

*Fellows should be in residence in Seattle for at least **two quarters** of the 2015-2016 academic year. Students who are planning to travel abroad for fieldwork purposes should indicate their intended travel plans in their application.

Graduate Fellows are also encouraged to attend special talks given by guests of the Stroum Center for Jewish Studies, as well as public events sponsored by Jewish Studies.

Our aim is to support graduate students of all levels who are interested in researching various aspects of the Jewish experience. Successful applicants will demonstrate a strong record of achievement and interest in pursuing research projects within the broad parameters of Jewish Studies. Graduate students from all departments and disciplines are encouraged to apply; past participants have come from the departments of History, Comparative Religion, Slavic Languages and Literatures, Political Science, Near and Middle Eastern Studies, Linguistics, French and Italian Studies, and English. Current fellows are allowed to reapply, but preference will be given to qualified applicants who have not yet participated in this fellowship program.

How to apply:

Applicants should submit:

- 1) A cover page with name, mailing address, phone number, email address, and student number.
- 2) A current curriculum vitae (CV).
- 3) University of Washington transcript (unofficial transcripts will be accepted).
- 4) A description of a research project that engages with Jewish Studies (2 page max). This project would be the focus of your workshop and Symposium presentations.
- 5) One letter of recommendation from a UW professor (electronic file or hard copy accepted; electronic file may be submitted via the dropbox address below or emailed to pressman@uw.edu).

Applications are due by <u>March 30, 2015</u>. All application materials should be submitted electronically via the Catalyst dropbox which is accessible with a UW NetID at this link:

jewishstudies.washington.edu/gradfellowapplications

The new Graduate Fellows for 2015-2016 will be notified in late April. The incoming class of fellows will be invited to be recognized at the Jewish Studies Spring Research Symposium. This event will take place from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm on **May 1, 2015** in HUB 214.

To read blog posts by current fellows and to find out more about this program, visit **jewishstudies.washington.edu/graduate-students**.

Please direct any questions to Dr. Hannah Pressman, coordinator of the Jewish Studies Graduate Fellowship, at **pressman@uw.edu**.