

President's Scholarships for Outstanding Doctoral Students in the Faculty of Humanities (2022/23-2025/26)

Last date to submit applications: January 12, 2022

We are pleased to announce the opening of the application process for President's Scholarships for outstanding doctoral students in the Faculty of Humanities of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The aim of the scholarships is to enable outstanding doctoral students to devote most of their time and energy to research and study.

Recipients of the Scholarship are members of the PhD Honors Program of the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School for Advanced Study in the Humanities. That program, along with the MA Honors Program, the Mandel Scholion Center, and the Buber Society of Fellows, is housed in the Mandel Building on Mt. Scopus, an intellectual forum that encourages communication among the fellows.

Mandel School students are eligible for a research budget that helps cover expenses for research and for editing publications. They may also apply for travel grants for up to one year of research abroad.

The Scholarship

Application is open to students in institutions of higher learning anywhere who will be doctoral candidates at the Hebrew University in 2022/23. Those eligible for the grant are: MA research students in the final year of their MA programs, students holding a research-track MA degree, and students in the first stages of the doctoral program (including students who have already submitted dissertation proposals, up to two years since registering for the degree).

Eligibility for the grant requires being registered as a doctoral candidate with HUJI's Authority for Research Students by 1 July 2022. MA students who wish to be considered for a President's Scholarship must apply to the Authority by then for the 2022/23 academic year, and their registration will be conditional upon submission of all their requirements for their degrees by September 30. Scholarships granted to students whose degrees (including final evaluation of their final papers) are not complete by 1 January 2023 will be rescinded.

Students are eligible for a grant for at most four years. Doctoral students whose doctoral prospectus has been approved (= are in Stage 2) at the time of submitting the application will be awarded the scholarship for four years, provided that in 2022/23 they begin the third year of the doctorate. The yearly scholarship is of an amount of 60,000 NIS. Additionally, the recipients are exempt from tuition. The scholarship will be paid starting in October of every year, in monthly installments, throughout the four years or until the doctoral dissertation has been approved (the earlier of the two).

Renewal of the grant from year to year is not automatic. Every year the Mandel School's Scholarships Committee will examine each recipient's eligibility for the following year. The committee has the authority to withhold or cancel the grant, if it finds that the recipient is not fulfilling its conditions as stipulated.

Scholarship Recipients' Obligations

The scholarship is meant to allow outstanding doctoral students to devote the majority of their time and energy to research, and as such the following requirements apply:

1. During the period of the grant, recipients are not allowed to be employed in more than a half-time position.
2. Renewal of the grant for a second year is conditional upon successful transition from Stage 1 to Stage 2 of the doctoral program, i.e., approval of the dissertation prospectus.
3. Recipients of the scholarships are allocated office space in the Mandel Building and are required to work in them at least two days a week. Their main academic activity will be within the Hebrew University. Recipients of the grant must also take part in the academic and social activities of the PhD Honors Program.
4. Travel abroad for a significant period, during the period of the scholarship, requires the approval of the Scholarships Committee. The request should include:
 - 1) Explanation of the importance of the trip abroad and its expected contribution to the research.
 - 2) Approval of the advisor, including an explanation of how he/she will stay in touch with the student during the trip.
 - 3) Approval from the host institution or from the host researcher (if there is a formal invitation) stating whether the stay is funded from the scholarship or by the host institution.

In general, the President's Scholarships are governed by HUJI's rules for [graduate fellowships](#).

Applications must be submitted via the HUJI scholarships website:

<http://scholarships.huji.ac.il>

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In case any additional assistance or information is needed, please contact the Mandel School: msacc@savion.huji.ac.il

Obligation/Commitment Form

Name: _____ ID Number: _____

Research Student – Faculty: _____ Dept.: _____

I read in detail the President's Scholarship Form and I am committed to conforming to the rules.

I declare and am committed to:

- 1) Do all I can to finish the Ph.D. thesis during the allotted time of the scholarship (2022-2026).
- 2) During the "scholarship period" I will not work for a wage of more than 25% (in very special cases the Vice-Rector may approve working for a wage up to 50%).
- 3) I know that if I stop my research my scholarship is terminated.
- 4) I know that the Faculty/School may terminate the scholarship at any time if, according to the scholarship committee, my research progress is not satisfactory, or my academic achievements do not justify, according to the scholarship committee, continued support or if I do not keep to the conditions of the scholarship regulations after I have been given the opportunity to hear the reasons for their complaints in writing or orally. One may appeal this decision before the Vice-Rector.
- 5) I know that the scholarship is approved only for one year (the academic year 2022-2023) and the renewal of the scholarship for the following years is subject to the approval of the scholarship committee according to the criteria detailed in the form.
- 6) In instances where travel for an extended period of time (a semester or more) takes place during the scholarship, I will formally make a request from the committee in advance within a reasonable amount of time. The request will include:
 - i. Explanation of the importance of the trip abroad and the contribution factor it will have on the research.
 - ii. Approval of the advisor, including an explanation of how he/she will stay in touch with the student during the trip abroad.
 - iii. Approval from the host institution or from the guest researcher (where there is a formal invitation) stating whether the stay is funded from the scholarship or from the host institution.

The Faculty Scholarship Committee will discuss the request and its recommendation will be forwarded to the Vice-Rector. As a rule, travel for more than 12 months will not be approved. A scholarship recipient who travels without the Committee's approval will have his scholarship terminated.

- 7) The majority of my academic activity will remain on the University campus. I know that I must receive early approval from the Faculty Scholarship Committee for arranging extended academic activity outside the University.

Date: _____ Recipient's signature: _____