



Call for Applications

The Department of Jewish Thought
and the Franz Rosenzweig Minerva Research Center
for German-Jewish Literature and Cultural History
at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

will award one doctoral or post-doctoral research fellowship
for the academic year 2022-2023

On Behalf of

The Olga and William Lakritz Foundation
for the legacy of Martin Buber

The theme for research at the Franz Rosenzweig Minerva Research Center for the 2022-2023 academic year is **“German Jews and the Arts: Composition, Contemplation, Critique.”** By **composition**, we mean to flag projects that study German-Jewish involvement in artistic production of all kinds; by **contemplation** we mean to invite studies of artistic experience within German-Jewish contexts; by **critique** we intend studies of the theorization of the arts among German-Jewish thinkers and critics. We seek a doctoral or post-doctoral scholar pursuing research on this theme, from any one of a variety of disciplinary perspectives, including history (especially art history), philosophy (especially aesthetics and critical theory), and literature. Applications might propose projects that explore German-Jewish invention and technique in any artistic medium, especially in music, the visual arts, poetry, film, and the performing arts; that study German-Jewish contexts for the experience and appreciation of art (e.g., music or poetry performed in the synagogue); or that trace German-Jewish participation in artistic movements from the Enlightenment, through romanticism, to modernism and beyond. Applicants might address questions in aesthetics regarding notions of the beautiful or of the possibility of aesthetic norms; of representation, symbolism, and the artistic production of meaning; of the implications of the Jewish ban on idolatry; of art and the emotions; and of the relationship between art and truth, on the one hand, and art and morality, on the other. The Center’s interests in the year’s theme are broad and interdisciplinary, and we encourage scholars of German-Jewish culture across the humanities to apply; but *priority will be given to applicants whose research engages Martin Buber’s work on questions of art and aesthetics.*

The successful applicant will be awarded a fellowship between October 2022–June 2023. The fellow will be expected to carry out his or her research at the Franz Rosenzweig Minerva Center



and to contribute to the year's scholarly theme in the context of the Center's seminar and workshops, and through publication in the Center's journal.

Applicants interested in a **postdoctoral fellowship** must have been awarded their Ph.D. no earlier than October 01, 2018. Candidates can submit an application for a post doctoral fellowship as long as they submit their dissertation no later than June 1st, 2022.

Applications for a **doctoral fellowship** from doctoral students at the Hebrew University can only be accepted if the applicant is in good standing with the Authority for Research Students and has not exceeded the limits for funding established by the University.

Applicants may be of all nationalities. Israeli citizens applying for a doctoral fellowship must be registered at the Hebrew University as a Ph.D. student. Israeli citizens who are registered as Ph.D. students at a university abroad will be treated as international applicants.

Successful applicants will be granted a monthly stipend of 6,000 NIS for postdoctoral fellowship or 5,500 NIS for doctoral fellowship. Furthermore, international applicants will be entitled to health insurance coverage. Fellows from abroad will also be allotted a round-trip flight (up to \$800 or €600).

Applicants must submit:

- Application Form
- A letter of application
- Research proposal (3-5 pages)
- Curriculum Vitae
- One example of written work, max. 30 pages
- Two letters of recommendation
- Official M.A. or Doctoral Diploma

All material can be written either in English or Hebrew.

Applications should be submitted through the HUJI Scholarships System:

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

(the call for applications can be seen under: select faculty > Humanities).

Applications must be submitted by **April 16, 2022**.

Decisions will be made within two months and applicants will be informed accordingly.

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