

CENTER FOR JEWISH HISTORY

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Graduate Research Fellowship

The application deadline for Graduate Research Fellowships starting in Fall 2014 has been extended to February 10, 2014.

The Center for Jewish History offers ten-month fellowships to doctoral candidates to support original research using the collections of the Center's partners – American Jewish Historical Society, American Sephardi Federation, Leo Baeck Institute, Yeshiva University Museum, and YIVO Institute for Jewish Research. Preference is given to those candidates who draw on the library and archival resources of more than one partner institution. Fellows must be in residence at the Center from September 2014 to June 2015 and applicants should have completed all requirements (coursework, exams, dissertation proposal) for the doctoral degree except for the dissertation. It is required that each fellow spend a minimum of three days per week in residence in the Lillian Goldman Reading Room using the archival and library resources. Fellows must also participate in the Center for Jewish History Fellowship Seminar Program, deliver a minimum of one lecture based on research conducted at Center, and submit a report upon completion of the Fellowship describing her/his experience as a Center Fellow. Full fellowships carry a stipend of up to \$17,500 for a period of one academic year. Fellows from universities more than 125 miles away from New York City may be entitled to additional funding of up to \$5,000 to offset moving expenses.

Eligibility

- The fellowship is open to qualified doctoral candidates from accredited domestic and international institutions.
- Fellows must be in residence at the Center from the beginning of September 2014 until the end June 2015.
- Applicants should have completed all requirements (coursework, exams, dissertation proposal) for the doctoral degree except for the dissertation.
- For non-U.S. citizens, it is the responsibility of the applicant to have the appropriate visa for acceptance of the stipend (award) and for the required duration of the award. The Center for Jewish History is not a visa-granting institution but it will help facilitate the visa application process.

Requirements for Application

1. Cover letter stating area of interest, knowledge of relevant languages, and how the project relates to the general mission of the Center for Jewish History
2. Research proposal of no more than four pages double-spaced, including specific reference to the [collections at the Center](#) and clearly stated goals for research during the period of the fellowship
3. A one-page bibliography of important secondary sources for the project
4. Curriculum Vitae, including contact information, education, publications, scholarly and/or museum activities, teaching experience, and any other relevant work experience
5. Official graduate school transcript
6. Three letters of recommendation, which address the significance of the candidate's work for his or her field, as well as the candidate's ability to fulfill the proposed work
7. Letters of recommendation should be sent under separate cover – or via a separate email – to the address below. All of the other application materials should be sent together electronically as one continuous PDF document. Transcripts may arrive separately to the below address or email address.

The schedule for the application process is as follows:

- All application materials, including letters of recommendation, must be received by **February 10, 2014** for consideration.
- Committee to review applications by March 17, 2014
- Announcement of grant recipients by April 2014
- Commencement of grant period, September 2, 2014
- Conclusion of grant period, June 30, 2015

Applications are to be submitted to:

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