The Jewish Studies program is pleased to announce the availability of funds to support undergraduate and graduate student research and travel related to Jewish Studies. Grants are available for amounts up to $10,000 although typical grants will be in the $2,000 to $5,000 range. Students applying to study abroad in Israel may be eligible for grants from the Study Abroad Office as well as from the Jewish Studies Program. Please check with both the director of Jewish Studies and the Study Abroad office to coordinate.

NOTE: Students may apply for grants of less than $1,000 on a rolling basis.

Allowable Expenses:

- Travel or living expenses associated with a study abroad experience involving Jewish Studies.
- Travel or living expenses associated with participation in a summer language program in Hebrew, Yiddish, Ladino, or another language relevant to Jewish Studies.
- Travel or living expenses associated with participation in an unpaid internship program directly connected to Jewish Studies.
- Ground and air transportation to and from research site.
- On-campus and on-site research assistance (translator, etc.)
- Copy and other duplication costs.
- Books, media, and subscriptions, if justifiably necessary for the research project.
- Ground and air transportation to and from the conference or workshop site.
- Visa expenses.
- Lodging and meal expenses.

Non-allowable Expenses:

- Travel expenses for individuals other than the applicant or a University of Pittsburgh student serving as a research assistant.
- Equipment.
- Membership fees.
- Any expenses unrelated to the proposed activities.
DEADLINE

March 25, 2021: For funds to be expended from May 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 (summer through fall 2021). If the pandemic makes travel impossible, the award can be deferred.

This round of applications is for projects planned for Summer 2021 or Fall 2021. The Spring 2022 and Summer 2022 round of applications will be in Fall 2021.

TO APPLY

Applications should include in ONE PDF:

1. Cover letter with a title and brief description of the project and contact information (1 page).
2. An itemized project budget listing all estimated expenses and a list of other sources of support to which you have applied.
3. A current C.V. or resumé.
4. A written proposal of no more than five double-spaced pages. In the text of the proposal, please explain how the project relates to your degree requirements. Include a section addressing precisely how the funds will be used.
5. A copy of the IRB approval documentation (if relevant).
6. If the student is applying for funds for travel to a conference, workshop, or seminar, and is not presenting a paper, the application should include a separate statement justifying attendance at the meeting.
7. Names and contact information of two faculty members who are familiar with the project.

SEND APPLICATION

Send all materials in ONE PDF to Irina Livezeanu, Director of Jewish Studies, at jsp@pitt.edu.

REPORTING AND FOLLOW-UP

Grant recipients will be required to submit a 1-page report to the Director of the Jewish Studies Program OR respond to a Qualtrics survey within 1 month of the conclusion of the project.

The report may be shared with donors or potential donors as well as with department chairs and the dean’s office. The report may also be featured on the Jewish Studies website.