

THE DAN DAVID SOCIETY OF FELLOWS

Call for Applications for Postdoctoral Fellowships 2026/2028

The Dan David Society of Fellows invites applications for outstanding postdoctoral research in the study of the past. This two-year fellowship offers generous funding for international and Israeli scholars to conduct innovative research at Tel Aviv University, benefiting from professional mentorship by faculty members.

The fellowship is open to candidates from all disciplines studying the human past, including but not limited to history, archaeology, arts history, education history, the history of science, technology and medicine, physical anthropology, literature, philosophy, and digital humanities. Applicants must have completed their PhD between October 1, 2021, and September 1, 2026. Researchers who have completed their PhD at Tel Aviv University are not eligible for the fellowship. Candidates who have not yet completed their degree should attach a formal statement signed by their institution indicating the prospective date of submission. Applicants who were on maternity leave are entitled to add an extra year for each child born since receiving their PhD degree.

The fellowship will be awarded without regard to ethnicity, religion, gender, or age. The Dan David program is committed to excellence, interdisciplinarity, diversity, and equity.

Up to four fellowships will be awarded for a maximum of two years each, beginning October 1, 2026. Those accepted to the program must commit to completing a full two-year term. Fellows will be asked to spend at least three days a week at Tel Aviv University and be active members of the university's scholarly community. They will be required to fully participate in the activities of the Dan David Society of Fellows, including a twice-monthly seminar dedicated to cutting-edge methodologies and historiographic approaches, and to present their research to the other fellows once a year. The program's academic activities will all be conducted in English.

Fellows will receive an annual scholarship of \$40,000. Additional research and travel funding may be available. Non-Israeli fellows will also be eligible for subsidized on-campus housing.

Applications must be submitted in English and should include:

1. A comprehensive CV, including a list of publications and research languages.
2. A statement of research plans (maximum 5 pages)
3. A summary of the PhD dissertation (maximum 1 page)
4. Two letters of recommendation:
 - One from the applicant's doctoral supervisor(s). If there are multiple supervisors, a joint letter is required.
 - One from a scholar outside the applicant's university.

The deadline for applications for the 2026-2028 academic years is December 1, 2025. The application process is completed online through the following link:

<https://en-humanities.tau.ac.il/dan-david-fellows-form>

Candidates will be informed of the decision regarding their application by March 15, 2026.