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APPLICATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JEWISH STUDIES STUDY ABROAD AWARDS

Eligibility and Requirements: These awards are intended to enable students to take courses or pursue research related to Jewish Studies. To be eligible for an award, students must be a sophomore, junior, or senior with a declared major or minor in Jewish Studies at Rutgers or enrolled in the Jewish Studies MA program at Rutgers. Preference is given to students who have a sustained record of achievement in Jewish Studies. *Undergraduate students seeking to transfer credits for Jewish Studies courses that they plan to take at institutions abroad are required to discuss their plan of study with the Undergraduate Director of the Department of Jewish Studies prior to enrolling in these courses.*

To be considered for an award, students must submit this application to the Department of Jewish Studies, along with a copy of their unofficial Rutgers transcript, by **noon on Friday, November 17, 2017**. Students must also request two letters of recommendation from faculty, one of whom is a member of the Department of Jewish Studies at Rutgers. These letters should also be submitted by November 14 at noon. (Please request these letters from faculty at least two weeks before the deadline.) Prior recipients of awards may re-apply and must submit a new application form and request new letters of recommendation.

All awards are based on academic merit; some awards are based on both academic merit and financial need. To be considered for awards based on both merit and need, students must have a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) on file with the Rutgers Financial Aid Office. **NOTE:** *If you receive needs-based financial aid, please be advised that receiving a Jewish Studies Student Award may result in the reduction of federal student aid or loans.*

If you have any questions, please contact either Professor Azzan Yadin-Israel, Undergraduate Director, by e-mail: azzan@rutgers.edu or Arlene Goldstein, Department Administrator, at 848-932-3571 or by e-mail: arleneg@rutgers.edu.

Name _____

Home Address _____
(Street, City, State, Zip)

RU ID _____ E-mail address _____

Cumulative GPA _____ School _____

Major(s) _____ Graduation Date _____

Minor(s) _____ Graduate School _____

I have requested letters of recommendation from the following faculty:

1. _____ 2. _____

I hereby certify that all information presented in my application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All responses must be typed on separate pages and attached to this application form.

1. List all Jewish Studies courses that you have taken at the university level (at Rutgers or elsewhere) to date. Indicate semester taken and instructor's name and institution if other than Rutgers.
2. Describe briefly your interest in Jewish Studies to date and what courses or research you will pursue abroad related to Jewish Studies in your travel abroad.
3. Describe any research in Jewish Studies that you have participated in while at Rutgers (e.g., independent study or honors thesis). Students who are planning to conduct research over the summer should explain how an award will further their research goals (e.g., covering transportation to a research site, photocopying costs, etc.).
4. Describe briefly your career goals after graduation.
5. List any renewable scholarships that you have received from the State of New Jersey, Rutgers University or other sources. Please also indicate any financial aid award, such as Pell, TAG, or EOF, which you received in 2017-2018.
NOTE: To be eligible for a needs-based award, you must have a FAFSA form on file.
6. Indicate any additional financial or other information you would like considered.

A complete application, due on November 17, 2017, includes the following materials:

1. This application form
2. Additional information (typed on separate pages)
3. Unofficial Rutgers transcript
4. Two letters of recommendation from faculty, one of whom must be in the Department of Jewish Studies at Rutgers. Please ask professors to send their letters by regular mail or email directly to Arlene Goldstein (arleneg@rutgers.edu) by the due date.

ALL MATERIALS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

**Arlene Goldstein
Department of Jewish Studies
Rutgers University
12 College Avenue
New Brunswick, NJ 08901**

DEADLINE: November 17, 2017