

## **JEWISH STUDIES AWARD FOR OUTSIDE RESEARCH OR STUDY**

**Eligibility and Requirements:** This award enables students who are full-time undergraduate or graduate students at Rutgers to take courses or pursue research related to Jewish Studies at other institutions, whether elsewhere in the United States or abroad. To be eligible for an award, a student must be a sophomore, junior, or senior with a declared major or minor in Jewish Studies or a graduate student working on a topic relevant to Jewish Studies. Undergraduates must have a plan for study or research beyond Rutgers that is pre-approved by the Undergraduate Director in the Department of Jewish Studies. Graduate students must have a plan for study or research beyond Rutgers that is pre-approved by the Graduate Director in their departments. *Students seeking to transfer credits for Jewish Studies courses that they plan to take at other institutions are required to discuss their plan of study with the Undergraduate Director of the Department of Jewish Studies prior to enrolling in these courses.* Preference is given to students who have a sustained record of achievement in Jewish Studies. Prior recipients of awards from the Department of Jewish Studies may reapply 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.*

To be considered for an award, students must prepare the following:

1. This application form (see second page of this document)
2. Research or Study Information (see second page of this document)
3. Pre-approved Research or Study Proposal. *Undergraduate proposals require pre-approval by the Jewish Studies Undergraduate Director. Graduate proposals should include a signed letter of approval by the appropriate Graduate Director.*
4. Unofficial Rutgers transcript
5. Request two letters of recommendation from faculty; for undergraduates, at least one of these letters must be from a member of the Jewish Studies faculty at Rutgers. Please ask professors to send their letters directly to Prof. Azzan Yadin-Israel by email ([azzan@rutgers.edu](mailto:azzan@rutgers.edu)) or regular mail (at the address below) by **March 1, 2019**. *Please request these letters from faculty at least two weeks before the deadline.*

**Submit your application materials (items 1-4, above) by Friday, March 1, 2019 to the following address:**

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

**If you have any questions, please contact Professor Azzan Yadin-Israel, Undergraduate Director, by e-mail: [azzan@rutgers.edu](mailto:azzan@rutgers.edu)**

## JEWISH STUDIES AWARD FOR OUTSIDE RESEARCH OR STUDY APPLICATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

RU ID \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Major(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate Program (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have requested letters of recommendation from the following faculty (name, department, and institution if other than Rutgers):

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### RESEARCH OR STUDY INFORMATION

*Please type your responses on separate pages and submit with this application form.*

1. List all Jewish Studies courses that you have taken at the university level to date. Indicate semester taken, instructor's name, and institution if other than Rutgers.
2. Describe any research in Jewish Studies that you have already undertaken (e.g., independent study or honors thesis).
3. The dates and location(s) of your proposed research or study, the institution(s) where you will undertake this work, and how it relates to your scholarly work in Jewish Studies generally.
4. Provide a budget for your research or study (e.g., travel costs, tuition)
5. Describe briefly your career goals after graduation.
6. 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 2018-2019. *NOTE: To be eligible for a needs-based award, you must have a FAFSA form on file.*
7. Indicate any additional information you would like considered.