

Graduate Fellowships and Awards in Jewish Studies at Concordia University 2025–2026 Call for Applications

Administered by Concordia University Institute for Canadian Jewish Studies

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: February 16, 2025

All awards are for one year. Many are available in the area of Jewish Studies generally; many are available even if you have won the award in a previous year (they are renewable). Please read each description carefully. Application Instructions follow the descriptions. If you are applying for admission for September 2025 to an MA or PhD program in the Department of Religions and Cultures with a focus in any area of Judaism, you will automatically be considered for these awards. All other Concordia University students and currently enrolled students in the Department of Religions and Cultures must apply. Please note the deadline is very soon.

Fellowship and scholarship recipients will be expected to present their work at one of the graduate student colloquia of the Institute for Canadian Jewish Studies and in some cases be invited to participate in institute projects and programming to complement their program of study.

Available Fellowships and Awards

Mahlab Fellowships (3)—approximately \$9,250 each

• Eligible candidates must be pursuing MA or PhD research in the area of <u>Jewish Studies</u> at Concordia University. Preference may be given to students pursuing research in the area of <u>antisemitism and its roots</u> or <u>Canadian Jewish Studies</u>. Renewable once through competition.

Miriam Aaron Roland Fellowship (1)—approximately \$5,000

• Eligible candidates must be pursuing MA or PhD research in the area of <u>Jewish Studies</u> at Concordia University. Award may be renewable.

Romek Hornstein Memorial Fellowships (2)—approximately \$3,200 each

- Eligible candidates must be pursuing MA or PhD research in the area of <u>Jewish Studies</u> at Concordia University. Selection will be made on the basis of academic merit. Not renewable.
- Two fellowships will be awarded annually to one male and one female student. Non-binary students are also eligible (but only a total of two awards will be given)

The Harris and Ann Wetstein Foundation Graduate Scholarship (1)—approximately \$1465

• Eligible candidates must be pursuing MA or PhD research in the area of <u>Canadian Jewish Studies</u> at Concordia University. Not renewable.

Travel Award: Kanfi-Holzbauer Award (1)—reimbursement up to \$1000

- The award will be granted, based on academic merit, to deserving MA or PhD students or Postdoctoral Students at Concordia University, to cover conference travel expenses or research travel expenses related to Jewish Studies or Canadian Jewish Studies. Applicants must demonstrate that the goal of their trip is to attend a conference, pursue research, essential to relevant to their studies/research. The Award may be used to reimburse any type of expense related to the trip. Reimbursements will be issued by the School of Graduate Studies upon submission by the awardees of appropriate receipts.
- This is a rolling award. Applications may be submitted at any time, but the award is made on a first-come-first-served basis.

Application Instructions:

All applicants must submit (1) electronic copy (pdf file) of the following items. Pdf should be sent as e-mail attachment to: miranda.crowdus@concordia.ca and with a cc to Munit Merid at the Department of Religions and Cultures: munit.merid@concordia.ca

Items to be submitted:

- 1. Application form (see below).
- 2. Official transcripts of all university studies.
- 3. An up-to-date curriculum vitae, including a list of publications and relevant professional and research experience.
- 4. A statement of purpose. In order to give the adjudication committee an idea of the path you see for yourself and its relationship to this program, please include: a short description of proposed research for thesis or capstone project and (if you are not a PhD student) for future (graduate) research; a statement about what makes such research of interest or important; a presentation of your intended career path; and a listing of the academic, research, and/or extracurricular work you have done that is relevant. Statements should clearly highlight the connection your research has or will have with the field of Jewish Studies and/or Canadian Jewish Studies. You may want to include important sources that are relevant to your research. If travel is part of your proposal, please describe it. In addition, you should highlight your accomplishments in research, particularly as they relate to your current and intended scholarship. A budget is not necessary; rather clarity of research purpose and of goals in the funded year are of interest to the committee. Please do not focus on broad generalizations but on specifics. If you have been awarded a CJS Fellowship in the past, please include the name of the fellowship as well as the year it was awarded (Maximum 1000 words).
- 5. Two letters of recommendation from past professors or professional mentors. These letters should focus on your academic and other relevant skills and on any of your accomplishments that suggest you will be successful in graduate work. Specific details are helpful. Broad generalizations are not.
- 6. Please indicate which fellowships you wish to apply for. You may state that you wish to be considered for all fellowships for which you are eligible.

For additional information, please contact:

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2025–26 STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

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THIS DECLARATION IS TO BE SIGNED BY ALL APPLICANTS

I do hereby declare that the information provided on this application and on the documents which accompany it are true, accurate, and complete.

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- i) Student's last name & first name
- ii) Student's program of study (e.g. M.A.Sc. Mechanical Engineering),

By applying to the award and should my application be successful, I hereby **agree** to the release of the information contained in my application (including the information listed above) to the donor of the fellowship, scholarship, award, or teaching assistantship and for the purpose of including such information in the annual report as well as for use in marketing materials and publications.

Signature:	Date: