

# בית הספר למדעי היהדות וארכיאולוגיה ע"ש חיים רוזנברג The Chaim Rosenberg School of Jewish Studies and Archaeology

Greetings,

We are excited about your interest in Ph. D. studies at the School of Jewish Studies and Archeology. Before submitting your application please review the <u>TAU Bylaws</u> for research students, as well as the general information <u>for research students</u>, as they appear on the TAU website.

Details about the PhD Track and study requirements may be found on the TAU website in the section for research students: <a href="http://acad-sec.tau.ac.il/phd/general-info">http://acad-sec.tau.ac.il/phd/general-info</a>

#### **Admission requirements**

Master's degree with a minimum grade average of 85, and a thesis with a minimum grade of 85 or higher. You may forward your B.A and M.A records to Ms. Galina Revzon from our registry office, this is done in order to weigh your study certificates and convert them into grades appropriate for an Israeli academic institution: <a href="mailto:galinar@tauex.ac.il">galinar@tauex.ac.il</a>.

#### **The Course**

In the course of your studies you will be required to take an MA courses in the scope of 8 semester hours, 6 of them in elected seminars (approved by the advisor or supervisor), plus 2 semester hours in the School's PhD seminars. In all courses you must obtain a minimum grade of 85.

<u>Departmental Seminars</u> - Departments and the school expect a Ph.D. students to attend departmental seminars each year, for at least the first 3 years of the Ph.D. degree studies. This is a meeting of the learning community of the department - faculty members and advanced students. The meetings include important visiting professors, some from universities abroad, and this is an opportunity to get to know both the department and all its constituent parts as well as the international research. The departmental seminar can be included during the compulsory hours and a report can be written in this seminar - subject to the mentor's approval. Attendance is not related to the Ph.D. student's 8-hour obligation, but is a recommendation stemming from the very membership of the department community and the school.



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Ph.D. students from the Department of Jewish History - In the Department of Jewish History only: Every year the Department organizes a forum for PhD students. Participation in this Forum is mandatory for the Department's PhD students. The Forum is held every two weeks over two semesters and is worth 2 semester hours per year. PhD students must attend it for two years (for a total of 4 semester hours). Thus, research students in this Department take a total of 12 semester hours.

Students coming from departments outside the School, students who have completed a Master's degree without a thesis, and students required by the School to take supplementary classes, can be admitted in the status of **research student candidate**, and must complete certain requirements within a maximum period of two years before being admitted to the PhD program.

These supplementary requirements will be determined by the supervisor and approved by the School. A student without a thesis who has been admitted to supplementary studies must write a paper equivalent to a Master's thesis.

In each supplementary an MA course as well as in the thesis equivalent, the student must obtain a minimum grade of 85.

An additional requirement is a waiver from a second foreign language at the advanced level (or a fast-track supplementary course). This is done in the foreign language unit at the university, (Unless there is an exemption in another Western foreign language in addition to English described above) at: <a href="http://www3.tau.ac.il/foreign-languages/index.php/en/courses/other-languages">http://www3.tau.ac.il/foreign-languages/index.php/en/courses/other-languages</a>

#### How to enroll

First of all, you must find a suitable supervisor who agrees to supervise your work.

To find a relevant mentor, you can use their list of supervisors and their fields of research, accessible through the link to the School's departments:

https://humanities.tau.ac.il/jstudies/studies\_programs

You may contact the mentors directly via email and even also make an appointment with the Head of the Department or School, if necessary.



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After receiving the supervisor's consent, you may submit an application to the unit's Research Students Committee.

### Documents to be submitted to the School Office for enrollment:

Before sending the documents please call the School's Student Office for instructions
Please send the documents to Research Students Secretary Koral Harel at:

### Koralharel@tauex.tau.ac.il

- 1. Entitlement to academic degrees and academic records for the Bachelor's (BA) and Master's degrees (MA).
  - Students who have completed their master's degree at a university abroad are required to submit these study records to the High School Secretariat, <u>before enrolling for the degree</u> for evaluation and to convert them into grades appropriate for an Israeli academic institution, will sent to: <u>galinar@tauex.tau.ac.il</u>.
- 2. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- 3. A short Letter of Intent (about one and a half pages), describing personal and academic backgrounds, previous studies, the intended topic of research (brief), plans for dedicating time to research in the next few years, including plans for other jobs during this time.
- 4. A general description of the intended research (2-3 pages): What you wish to investigate and why; research questions; main sources to be used for answering them. This brief description must not be regarded as a research proposal. Its contents should give the committee a general idea regarding the candidate and what he/she wishes to research, in order to enable an initial evaluation of his/her suitability to a PhD program at the School of Jewish Studies and Archaeology.
- 5. Based on TAU's Bylaws for Conflicting Interests in Research (Regulation No. 10-024), both the supervisor and student must sign this Regulation before admission to PhD studies:

  <a href="https://www.tau.ac.il/sites/default/files/media\_server/General/yoets/10-024.pdf">https://www.tau.ac.il/sites/default/files/media\_server/General/yoets/10-024.pdf</a>
- 6. Please send all the above documents in an email entitled: The topic and supervisor of the PhD thesis



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7. Once all documents have been delivered to the School Office, and following the approval of the School's Research Students Committee, you will be permitted to enroll on the TAU website. Following registration you will receive a confirmation number: <a href="https://www.ims.tau.ac.il/md/rishum/login.aspx">https://www.ims.tau.ac.il/md/rishum/login.aspx</a>

Please note! Be sure to enroll for the correct semester and year. Under Study Program select the number 0641.

- **❖** All documents specified above will be sent for approval to TAU's Research Students Division.
- \* Registration for PhD studies is conducted year-round and entails no fee.



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## **Information about tuition and scholarships:**

- Main tuition regulations for research students PhD <a href="https://english.tau.ac.il/tuition\_main">https://english.tau.ac.il/tuition\_main</a>
- For any question or request regarding tuition fees, please contact the TAU call center at 03-6405550; or send an email to (03) 640-5550.
- The School offers sustenance scholarships to outstanding students only, as
  well as single-time scholarships to cover travel expenses for purposes of
  research or conferences. Only active students may apply for the various
  scholarships.
- For general information about foundations and scholarships: http://acadsec.tau.ac.il/scholarships
- Students who have completed their Master's degree at a foreign university must provide the School Office with academic records before enrolling for degree studies, for purposes of evaluation.

We wish you success in your endeavors!