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Council for Higher Education of Israel's PhD Sandwich Scholarship Program

Call for Applications – 2021/2022 Academic Year

Background

The Council for Higher Education ascribes great importance to internationalization in higher education and specifically to the integration of international students in Israeli academic institutions. In line with this mission, the Council established a scholarship program for international PhD students to study in Israel for the duration of up to one year as part of their doctoral studies – a “PhD Sandwich Program.” Through the program, outstanding international PhD candidates will have the opportunity to further their doctoral research through a unique academic experience in Israel, while collaborating with leading scholars and scientists. The current call for applications is open for candidates who plan to arrive in Israel beginning in Fall 2021.

Program Outline

1. The program is intended for PhD students completing a “Sandwich program” of up to one year at each of the eight universities that offer doctoral programs: Ben-Gurion University in the Negev, Bar Ilan University, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, Tel Aviv University, Weizmann Institute of Science, Bar Ilan University, University of Haifa, and Ariel University.
2. The university must publish a public call for applications for this program and conduct an internal selection process which will ensure the high academic quality of scholarship recipients. Scholarship recipients will be notified by the university.
3. The annual scholarship will be 80,000 NIS per year. If a scholarship recipient is in Israel for less than one year, the scholarship amount will be determined based on the actual time the scholarship recipient studied in Israel. Scholarships will not be awarded to doctoral students who spend less than three months at the host university.
4. The scholarship criteria are as follows:
 - A. The student is enrolled in a doctoral degree program at an accredited institution of higher education overseas. The program will be open to students from all countries and in all academic disciplines.
 - B. The student has successfully completed their first year of doctoral studies.
 - C. The student is not a resident of Israel.

- D. Students enrolled in joint programs between an Israeli university and a university abroad are not eligible to apply for the PhD Sandwich scholarship for their studies at the Israeli university.
 - E. Students who began their studies/research in Israel prior to the updated publication of this call for applications (May 3, 2021) are not eligible to apply for the scholarship.
5. The university must notify scholarship recipients by September 1st, 2021.