RE: Call for Integrated Postdoctoral Fellowships, 2021-2022 (*)

As approved by the Management Board of University of Haifa, The Graduate Studies Authority will grant scholarships to post-doctoral students in the academic year 2021-22. The purpose of these scholarships is to enable postdoctoral students to devote most of their time to research and to create appropriate conditions that will enable them to complete the course within a normative period. The scholarships are intended for new postdoctoral students, in exceptional cases only and in accordance with budgetary options, scholarships will be awarded to those continuing into the second year of the program. There is no automatic extension.

Scholarship amount:
The scholarship amount is 69,000 NIS per year not exceeding two years. As a part of the scholarship, the Graduate Studies Authority will fund a sum of 34,500 NIS per year and another amount of 34,500 NIS will be funded by the supervisor's research budget or from his/ her other sources.

It will be noted that the scholarship will be granted for a year and that there is no automatic extension for a second year. At the end of the year, the student will be required to submit a scientific report detailing his actions and the results of his research.

Submission Terms:
- The scholarships are intended for doctoral students who have completed their studies at a university other than the University of Haifa.
- Doctoral students who have completed their studies at the University of Haifa and wish to study in a department other than the department, in which they completed their doctorate, can also apply for a scholarship.
- Candidate who received an entitlement to a doctorate before October 1, 2016, cannot submit a request.
- Candidates must submit their doctorate thesis for judgment no later than the date of submission of the application for this scholarship.

Application process:
The applicant will submit the signed forms and the relevant documents below to Mr. Aid Rohana by email: arohana@univ.haifa.ac.il, and in 1 (one) hard copy in a nylon to Mr. Rohana, Eshkol Tower, in his mailbox on the 25th floor until 1/6/2021 (extensions will not be possible beyond this date):

To your attention, extension of a scholarship for another year requires submission of the form too.
- Curriculum vitae in Hebrew or English (in structured format as attached).
- Doctoral degree and / or confirmation of the submission of a doctorate for judgment. (First year candidates only)
- Letter of recommendation from the supervisor according to a structured form (attached). In the body of the letter, the supervisor will commit to cover half the amount of the scholarship, as requested.
- A confirmation from the head of the department to accept the candidate as a postdoctoral fellowship. (First year candidates only)
- Two recommendations from senior faculty members from recognized universities / research institutions in Israel and abroad. (First year candidates only)
- First year's academic report. (Second year's candidates only)
- Summary of the candidate's research program for the period of study (up to 2 pages).
- A copy of the applicant's scientific publications, if any.

Please note that according to the regulations, the Dean of Graduate Studies may revoke the scholarship at any point, in the event that the student does not meet the academic requirements or discontinues his/her studies at the University (on his/her initiative or on the University's initiative). Moreover, the scholarship will be canceled by the Dean of Graduate Studies if it turns out that its awarding was based on false information, at the discretion of the Dean, and if it is found that the student committed a disciplinary offense according to the University disciplinary authorities. In case of cancellation of the scholarship, the student will be required to reimburse the amounts awarded on account of the scholarship at the rates and times which the University will prescribe.

Remark: the amount indicated above is given to you as a scholarship that the University has decided to award you on the grounds of your excellence in studies or your socio-economic situation, in order to allow you to devote yourself to studies and research. We wish to draw your attention that Article 9 (29) of the Income Tax Ordinance stipulates that scholarships awarded to students to finance tuition or subsistence during the time of studies in a study and research institution are exempt from tax, as long as the scholarship was not given in exchange of any compensation on the part of the student. In this regard, the term scholarship includes grants, prizes, or exemptions from payment. Scholarships that do not conform with the terms of Article 9 (29) above, for example, a scholarship that was not awarded during the time the student’s studies as defined in the Article, or that was awarded in exchange of a compensation on the part of the student, are not entitled to tax exemption. Therefore, you may be required to pay tax, at your expense, for the scholarship you are awarded. Tax payment will be made by way of withholding or otherwise.
Candidate selection process:
As the head of the Committee for Graduate Studies scholarships, The Dean of The Graduate Studies Authority, together with the committee, will review all applications for scholarships and approve them according to the Institute's considerations and budgetary possibilities. Granting of the scholarship will be contingent on the receipt of a budget approval for the supervisor's payment.

Criteria for selecting candidates:
1. Academic and research achievements that will be reflected in recommendations and on the curriculum vita.
2. Publications in refereed journals.
3. Recommendation letters.
4. The research proposal.

Commitments of the student after scholarship is approved:
1. To complete the research work within two years at the most from the beginning of post-doctoral studies.
2. To submit an annual scientific report by the end of August 1,
3. In case of extension of scholarship for the second year, to submit a scientific report by the date of submitting the application for extension in the following year.
4. Not to work in additional work whether paid or unpaid. In special cases only, a request for teaching work at the University of will be submitted for a period of two to eight hours per week if it does not significantly harm the course.
5. To notify the Dean of Graduate Studies for the termination of the scholarship and add a letter from the supervisor, including the reasons for his departure. The notification will be submitted one month prior to the date of departure. In this case, the student will pay the relative portion of the final payment and waive the balance of the scholarship payments.

Best regards,

Prof. Lily Orland-Barak
Dean of Graduate Studies

Copies:
Prof. Ron Robin, President
Prof. Gustavo Mesch, Rector
Dean of Faculties
Ms. Sigalit Rajuan, Head of the Graduate Studies Authority
Ms. Laurence Cohen- Amar Coordinator of International Graduate Degrees Programs and of Postdoctoral Studies, GSA
Ms. Tzipi Galil - M.A Scholarships and Aid Coordinator GSA
Administrative Assistants

(*)The written document is in the masculine form, but refers to both genders