

June 13, 2022

To:

Academic Faculty Staff Members

Hello,

Re: Call for Submissions – The Bloom Scholarship Program – Academic Year 2022-2023

Reference: Second Call¹

We are pleased to announce that on academic year 2022-2023 the Bloom Graduate School will award 4 one-year scholarships to new postdoctoral students, beginning their training at the University of Haifa. The scholarship amount will be 96,000 NIS. The student's supervisor will be required to add from his own sources.

The purpose of these scholarships is to enable postdoctoral students from all disciplines 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.

Candidates will be selected based on their research plan profile and other criteria, as detailed in this call for submissions, hereunder.

The scholarships are intended for students at the University of Haifa only.

Prerequisites for submitting a scholarship application:

- ✓ The scholarships are intended for doctoral students who have completed their studies at a university other than the University of Haifa.
- ✓ Candidates who received an entitlement to a doctorate later than October 1, 2018 (not later than four years after completion of his doctoral degree).

Research Plan (up to five pages)

A research plan, comprised of all required sections, shall be written in English and include: scientific background, research innovation with a focus on innovative aspects and situating them in existing research studies, expected outputs and benefits and the prospects of applying the research, if relevant. The research plan is to include goals, methods and milestones for performing the research, as well as a list of publications, including details of already published and pre-published articles.

A proposed research plan, which will exceed the limit of 5 pages and/or will not be written in English shall be rejected out of hand.

¹ Amendment of the date of application and removal of the prerequisite for candidates to hold Israeli citizenship, permanent residency or new immigrant status as defined by the Ministry of Interior, according to the decision of the University of Haifa President of June 9, 2022 and President's call confirmation of June 12, 2022.

Application process: Supervisors are required to submit the following documents (at their exact order and as a single PDF file) no later than **August 1, 2022** to the attention of **Ms. Mor Arazi**, by email: marazi@univ.haifa.ac.il. Documents are to be submitted in English only. Extension beyond August 1, 2022 will not be permitted. Candidate files with missing documents will not be reviewed.

1. Application form
2. CV- Under “conferences” section, candidates need to relate in detail to **active** presentation in scientific conferences and in “miscellaneous” section- to relate to leadership or social contribution (for instance, supervision of students, assistance with preparing grant applications, etc.)
3. A copy of I.D card/ document, which attests to the postdoc student being an Israeli citizen, permanent resident or new immigrant, according to its definition by the Ministry of Interior.
4. A copy of the PhD. Diploma and the date of its reception, and/or certificate of entitlement to a doctoral degree.
5. Grade sheets for first and second degrees
6. English list of publications (up to 2 pages). The committee will only take into account papers that were accepted for publication. In the list you should note the journal’s name, names of author’s according to their order of appearance, title of the article, year, volume and pages, language of publication and the journal’s ranking (Q- journal ranking and impact factor). Please add internet links to each publication.
7. Two letters of recommendation: Recommendation from the PhD supervisor and another one from senior faculty member from recognized university / research institution in Israel and abroad.
The letters should be focused at the candidate himself and include information about the research area, its scientific importance, originality, innovation and expected contribution to the field. They should also point out the academic achievements of the candidate
8. Summary of the candidate's research program

Applications that will not include the aforementioned items will not be considered.

Process of qualified candidates selection

1. Selection of qualified candidates for the scholarship is based on academic excellence and the breakthrough potential of their research, as well as perceived capability of the candidate to be absorbed (on the long run) into the academic cadre of the University of Haifa.
2. The scholarship application will be submitted by the student supervisor.

3. A special scholarship awards committee will review the applications and will approve the scholarship applications in their entirety, taking into consideration the candidates' records, on competitive basis, and subject to the institution's considerations and budget availability.

Criteria for the evaluation of applications

1. Excellent academic and research achievements that will be reflected in recommendations, on the curriculum vita and by publication in Q1 journals.
2. Publications in refereed journals.
3. Presentation in scientific conferences and awards
4. Letters of recommendation
5. The research plan

Commitments of the student after scholarship is approved:

1. To complete the research work within the year of post-doctoral scholarship reception
2. To submit a final scientific report to the Dean of the Bloom Graduate School.
3. Not to work in additional work whether paid or unpaid. Requests for teaching work at the University of Haifa at an extent of 2 to 8 hours per week will be reviewed and approved, as long as it does not significantly harm the course.
4. To notify the Dean of Graduate Studies for the termination of the scholarship and add a letter from the supervisor, including the reasons for the student's 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

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