

**The Jona Goldrich Institute for Yiddish
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Call for Applications

Jona Goldrich Postdoctoral Fellow in Yiddish Studies at Tel Aviv University

The Jona Goldrich Institute for Yiddish Language, Literature and Culture* is proud to invite applications for a two-year postdoctoral fellowship in Yiddish Studies, within the [School of Cultural Studies](#) at Tel Aviv University. The purpose of this fellowship is to promote innovative research focused on the Yiddish cultural past and present. Applicants must demonstrate depth and originality in researching Yiddish literature and culture, the capacity to conduct a graduate level literature course related to Yiddish and outstanding scholarly potential. Scholars with comparative research approaches are especially welcome to apply.

The position will run from October 2025-July 2027, during which the Fellow will be expected to work on TAU's campus 2-3 days a week over the course of the academic year; list the postdoctoral fellowship on all publications and presentations that result from this research time; take part in seminars, workshops and conferences sponsored by the Goldrich Institute; and play an active role in its flagship Naomi Praver Kadar International Yiddish Summer Program. The applicant will be invited to propose one course to a department within the School of Cultural Studies, to be funded by the Institute if approved.

The fellow will receive an annual stipend of \$40,000, a course salary** of approximately \$7,000 and a research and travel budget of \$3,500.

Applications must include: (1) a letter of interest that describes the candidate's research project and potential connections to the work done within the School of Culture (please name at least two faculty members with related work); (2) a curriculum vitae; (3) a brief statement of teaching interests, including proposals for two courses, one graduate and one undergraduate; (4) a writing sample, not to exceed 9,000 words (English or Hebrew acceptable) (5) three letters of recommendation, sent **separately** by the recommenders rather than the applicant.

These materials should be emailed to the Institute's administrator, Ms. Vered Sagie at yiddish1@tauex.tau.ac.il by March 1, 2025.

Eligibility requirements:

- PhD in a related field *in hand* no later than September 2025 and awarded no earlier than 2020***
- Full reading fluency in Yiddish; Yiddish speaking and writing fluency preferred
- Fluency in academic English
- Hebrew fluency is a benefit, though not a requirement

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The Goldrich Institute and the School of Cultural Studies are committed to cultural, racial and gender equity. Applicants of all personal backgrounds are welcome to apply.

*Previously called the Goldreich Family Institute for Yiddish Language, Literature and Culture.

**Pending course approval of a relevant department chair.

***PhD completion date may be earlier for applicants who have received medical or parental leave following the receipt of their PhD

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