Fellowships and Other Support for Carolina Grad Students working in Jewish Studies

Internal fellowships

**Research and Travel Grants**, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, UNC Chapel Hill

**Description**: Several research and travel grants support conference travel and research outside and/or in the United States on various topics related to Jewish history and culture, broadly defined.

**Deadline**: In the spring of each academic year
**Amount**: Up to $3,000
**Duration**: Short-term
**Restrictions**: /
**Recent Awardees**: Oskar Czendze, Max Lazar, Daniela Weiner, Tine Rassalle
**Link**: [https://jewishstudies.unc.edu/grants/graduate-student-grants/](https://jewishstudies.unc.edu/grants/graduate-student-grants/)

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**Summer Stipend**, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, UNC Chapel Hill

**Description**: The summer stipend supports graduate students who do not have support during the summer in order to conduct research outside and/or in the United States on various topics related to Jewish history and culture, broadly defined.

**Deadline**: In the spring of each academic year
**Amount**: $5,000
**Duration**: Summer
**Restrictions**: /
**Recent Awardees**: Oskar Czendze, Tine Rassalle
**Link**: [https://jewishstudies.unc.edu/grants/graduate-student-grants/](https://jewishstudies.unc.edu/grants/graduate-student-grants/)
**Dissertation Completion Fellowship, UNC Graduate School**

**Description:** To support doctoral students in the final year of their dissertation by enabling them to focus full time on research and writing.

**Deadline:** Different deadlines according to every department  
**Amount:** $18000 +tuition  
**Duration:** One academic year  
**Restrictions:** Must have ABD status. Must apply through your UNC department  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://gradschool.unc.edu/funding/gradschool/dissertation.html](https://gradschool.unc.edu/funding/gradschool/dissertation.html)

The Center also provides recruitment Top-Up and TEP grants for incoming grad students.

**External Fellowships**

**Leo Baeck Fellowship,** Leo Baeck Institute London/Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes

**Description:** The international Leo Baeck Fellowship Programme awards fellowships to doctoral students who carry out research into the history and culture of Central European Jewry. We welcome projects on any period or field (including literature, philosophy, history, musicology), and any region (such as Europe, Israel, the Americas), as long as they relate to German-speaking Jewry.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year  
**Amount:** 1,350 Euro per month (plus additional funds for research expenses, child care, health insurance, conference travels, and tuition fees)  
**Duration:** One academic year  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** Josh Shelly  
**Link:** [https://www.studienstiftung.de/en/leo-baek/](https://www.studienstiftung.de/en/leo-baek/)

**MFJC Doctoral Scholarship,** Memorial Foundation of Jewish Culture

**Description:** The purpose of the MFJC's Doctoral Scholarship Program is to help train qualified individuals for careers in Jewish scholarship and research.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** N/A  
**Duration:** One academic year  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://mfjc.org/doctoral/](https://mfjc.org/doctoral/)
NEH Graduate Research Fellowships, Center for Jewish History, New York

**Description:** The National Endowment for Humanities (NEH) Graduate Research Fellowships at the Center for Jewish History in New York are open to doctoral candidates and support original research using the collections of the Center’s partners - American Jewish Historical Society, American Sephardi Federation, Leo Baeck Institute, Yeshiva University Museum, and YIVO Institute for Jewish Research. Preference is given to those candidates who draw on the library and archival resources of more than one partner institution. PhD Candidacy is required for the long-term fellowship.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** $22,500 (long-term fellowship), $6,500 (short-term fellowship)  
**Duration:** 10 months (long-term fellowship), min. 3 months (short-term fellowship)  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** Oskar Czendze  
**Link:** [https://www.cjh.org/scholarship/fellowship-opportunities-at-the-center](https://www.cjh.org/scholarship/fellowship-opportunities-at-the-center)

AJS Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Association for Jewish Studies

**Description:** For PhD Candidates in their final years of dissertation writing on any topic in Jewish Studies.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** $20,000  
**Duration:** One academic year  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** Lea Greenberg (declined)  
**Link:** [https://www.associationforjewishstudies.org/membership/myajs/fellowships-and-awards](https://www.associationforjewishstudies.org/membership/myajs/fellowships-and-awards)

USHMM Annual Fellowship, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington D.C.

**Description:** Fellowships-in-residence support significant research and writing about the Holocaust. Annual Fellowships are designed for candidates working on their dissertations (ABD), postdoctoral researchers, and senior scholars. Scholars early in their careers are especially encouraged to apply. Proposals from applicants conducting research outside the discipline of history or on Mandel Center strategic priorities are also especially encouraged, including literature and the Holocaust; America and the Holocaust; projects utilizing the ITS collection; Jewish and especially Sephardic experiences of persecution; the Holocaust as it occurred in the Soviet Union and as it occurred in N. Africa.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** N/A  
**Duration:** Up to 8 consecutive months (in residence)  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://www.ushmm.org/research/opportunities-for-academics/fellowships](https://www.ushmm.org/research/opportunities-for-academics/fellowships)
**Research and Travel Grants**, Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah, Paris

**Description:** The Foundation funds research on Holocaust-related topics, including its roots and its consequences to the present day, and the study of contemporary anti-Semitism. It also backs research on other 20th-century genocides. The Foundation gives precedence to projects that open up new fields of knowledge and take an original approach, especially if it draws upon comparative history. It also attaches importance to European, international and interdisciplinary perspectives that combine historical, anthropological, sociological, legal, philosophical, psychological or literary analyses. Projects involving the French aspects of anti-Semitism and the Holocaust and/or young researchers will receive particular attention.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year  
**Amount:** 1,200 Euro per month  
**Duration:** Up to 12 consecutive months  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** https://www.fondationshoah.org/en/research/research-and-travel-grants?fbclid=IwAR3sZ3ZhVSOfWANUt99Uj7WjfEzLDbZv3ivzPdhInujEk9v-WlwaLyXXp0

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**Saul Kagan Fellowship in Advanced Shoah Study**, Claims Conference

**Description:** The Claims Conference supports Ph.D. and Post-doctoral candidates pursuing advanced study of Jews who were systematically targeted for destruction or persecution by the Nazis and their allies between 1933 and 1945 (and immediate post-war). Supported research can include: the immediate historical context in which the Holocaust took place; political, economic, legal, religious or socio-cultural aspects; ethical and moral implications; or other related, relevant topics. PhD Candidacy is required.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** $25,000  
**Duration:** One academic year  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** http://fellowships.claimscon.org/how-to-apply/

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**GEOP Research Fellowship**, POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews/Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw

**Description:** The program’s goal is to support research in the field of the history and culture of Jews in the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth and the countries at present within its borders. Priority will be given to research that requires using collections of source materials kept in Warsaw. PhD Candidacy by start of research required.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** $6,000  
**Duration:** Short-term
**Graduate Student Research Grant**, American Academy for Jewish Research

**Description:** The grant is open to graduate students in any field of Jewish studies who have submitted their prospectus and have a demonstrated need to travel to archival, library, or manuscript collections or for ethnographic research. The funds are not intended for language study or purchase of equipment.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year
**Amount:** Up to $4,000
**Duration:** Summer
**Restrictions:** / 
**Recent Awardees:** Oskar Czendze, Max Lazar
**Link:** [http://www.aajr.org/programs/graduate-research-funding/](http://www.aajr.org/programs/graduate-research-funding/)

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**Junior Fellowship**, The Center for Holocaust Studies at the Leibniz Institute for Contemporary History, Munich

**Description:** The residence fellowships are designed to support and foster international Holocaust research. A topic within the field of Holocaust Studies is required in order to be eligible for one of the fellowships. PhD Candidacy is required.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year
**Amount:** $2,500 Euro per month
**Duration:** Up to four months (residence at Center)
**Restrictions:** / 
**Recent Awardees:** N/A
**Link:** [https://www.ushmm.org/m/pdfs/ZfHS_Fellowships_Application_2020.pdf](https://www.ushmm.org/m/pdfs/ZfHS_Fellowships_Application_2020.pdf)

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**Fritz Halbers Fellowship**, Leo Baeck Institute, New York

**Description:** Research projects related to the culture and history of German-speaking Jewry.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year
**Amount:** Up to $3,000
**Duration:** Short-term
**Restrictions:** / 
**Recent Awardees:** N/A
**Link:** [https://www.lbi.org/about/fellowships/](https://www.lbi.org/about/fellowships/)
**JDC Archives Fellowship Program**, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, New York/Jerusalem

**Description:** The Fellowship program is designed for scholars engaged in graduate level, post-doctoral, or independent study who need to conduct research in the JDC Archives, either in New York or Jerusalem. Research topics in the fields of twentieth century Jewish history, general history, and humanitarian assistance will be considered, as well as other areas of academic research covered in the JDC archival collections.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year  
**Amount:** Between $2,000 and $5,000  
**Duration:** Short-term  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  

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**Max Weinreich Research Fellowships**, YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, New York City

**Description:** YIVO awards a series of fellowships for scholarly research in YIVO’s library and archival collections with a focus on East European and American Jewries. These fellowships are intended primarily, but not exclusively, for graduate students and emerging scholars. Fellows are usually expected to spend a period of four to six weeks in residence. This can be divided into several research trips, in consultation with YIVO staff.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** Between $3,500 and $15,000  
**Duration:** Short-term  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://www.yivo.org/List-of-Fellowships](https://www.yivo.org/List-of-Fellowships)

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**International Grant**, SEFER Center for Teaching of Jewish Civilization, Moscow

**Description:** SEFER Center awards grants to support research projects in multiple disciplines on Russian Jewry in Russian and other foreign archives. The subject of the research may comprise different aspects of Jewish history and culture within the territory of the former Russian Empire during various historical periods from the ancient times till post-soviet contemporary period.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year  
**Amount:** 90,000 Rubles (c. $1,500)  
**Duration:** Short-term  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://www.sefer.ru/eng/education/educational_programmes/eshnav/russian_jewry.php](https://www.sefer.ru/eng/education/educational_programmes/eshnav/russian_jewry.php)
**Summer Research Seminar**, International Institute for Holocaust Research at Yad Vashem, Jerusalem

**Description**: The Summer Research Seminar for PhD students is designed for those who are writing a dissertation on some aspect of the Holocaust including its antecedents and aftermath. These fellowships provide travel to and accommodation in Israel in order to conduct research in the Yad Vashem Archives for two weeks.

**Deadline**: In the fall/spring of each academic year  
**Amount**: N/A  
**Duration**: Two weeks  
**Restrictions**: /  
**Recent Awardees**: N/A  
**Link**: [https://www.yadvashem.org/research/fellowships/summer-research-seminar-for-phd.html](https://www.yadvashem.org/research/fellowships/summer-research-seminar-for-phd.html)

**USHMM Summer Graduate Student Research Fellowship**, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington D.C.

**Description**: This summer fellowship designed for students accepted to or currently enrolled in a master’s degree program or in their first year of a PhD program at a North American college or university.

**Deadline**: In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount**: $3,000 per month  
**Duration**: 3 months (in residence)  
**Restrictions**: For MA-level and first-year PhD students  
**Recent Awardees**: Max Lazar  
**Link**: [https://www.ushmm.org/research/opportunities-for-academics/fellowships](https://www.ushmm.org/research/opportunities-for-academics/fellowships)

**Marcus Center Fellowship**, American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, OH

**Description**: The Marcus Center's Fellowship Program provides recipients with month long fellowships for research and writing at The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives must be conducting serious research in some area relating to the history of North American Jewry. Typically, Marcus Center Fellowships will be awarded to post-doctoral candidates, Ph.D. candidates who are completing dissertations, and senior or independent scholars.

**Deadline**: In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount**: N/A  
**Duration**: One month  
**Restrictions**: /  
**Recent Awardees**: N/A  
Ruth B. Fein Prize and Pokross/Curhan Family Fund Prize, American Jewish Historical Society

**Description:** The travel stipend helps a graduate student (no PhD Candidacy required) to undertake research at the American Jewish Historical Society.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year  
**Amount:** Up to $1,000  
**Duration:** Short-term  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [http://www.ajhs.org/academic-awards](http://www.ajhs.org/academic-awards)

AJS Conference Travel Grant, Association for Jewish Studies

**Description:** These grants fund travel for graduate students whose paper got accepted for the annual AJS conference.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** N/A  
**Duration:** Short-term  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** Max Lazar, Daniela Weiner  
**Link:** [https://www.associationforjewishstudies.org/membership/myajs/fellowships-and-awards](https://www.associationforjewishstudies.org/membership/myajs/fellowships-and-awards)

David Baumgardt Fellowship, Leo Baeck Institute, New York

**Description:** The fellowship provides financial assistance to scholars whose research projects are connected with the writings of Professor David Baumgardt or his scholarly interests, including Ethics, Wissenschaft des Judentums and the Modern Intellectual History of German-speaking Jewry.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** Up to $7,500  
**Duration:** Short-term  
**Restrictions:** /  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://www.lbi.org/about/fellowships/](https://www.lbi.org/about/fellowships/)

American Association of University Women (AAUW) American Dissertation Fellowship

**Description:** The purpose of the American Dissertation Fellowship is to offset a scholar’s living expenses while she completes her dissertation. The fellowship must be used for the final year of writing the dissertation.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year
Amount: $20,000
Duration: One academic year
Restrictions: Open to women-identifying doctoral candidates in their completion year, must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
Recent Awardees: N/A

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**Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies**

**Description:** The program promotes young North American researchers with specialized knowledge of modern and contemporary Germany and Europe. The program supports scholars in all social science and humanities disciplines, including historians working on the period since the mid-18th century. Fellowships are awarded for doctoral dissertation research as well as postdoctoral research. The Berlin Program is a residential program which offers a stimulating academic environment at one of Germany’s leading research universities.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year
**Amount:** N/A (1400 euro per month)
**Duration:** One academic year
**Restrictions:** Open for applications from U.S. and Canadian nationals, and permanent or long-term residents. Must have achieved ABD status by the time their fellowship begins.
**Recent Awardees:** N/A

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**Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship**

**Description:** The Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships are designed to encourage original and significant study of ethical or religious values in all fields of the humanities and social sciences, and particularly to help Ph.D. candidates in these fields complete their dissertation work in a timely manner.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year
**Amount:** $27,500
**Duration:** One academic year
**Restrictions:** Must have achieved ABD status.
**Recent Awardees:** N/A
**Link:** [https://woodrow.org/fellowships/newcombe/](https://woodrow.org/fellowships/newcombe/)

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**DAAD**

**Description:** To fund a research project or course of continuing scientific education at a state or state-recognized institution of higher education in Germany or a non-university research institute, which is being carried out in coordination with an academic adviser in Germany.
Deadline: N/A  
Amount: 1200 euro per month + other expenses  
Duration: 7 to 12 months  
Restrictions: Need to apply through UNC; check university-specific application process  
Recent Awardees: N/A  
Link: https://www2.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/?detail=57140602

Fulbright

Description: Applicants for study/research awards design their own projects and will typically work with advisers at foreign universities or other institutes of higher education. The study/research awards are available in approximately 140 countries.

Deadline: In the spring of each academic year  
Amount: Depends on kind of grant  
Duration: N/A  
Restrictions: Applicants must be citizens or nationals of the United States of America at the time of application. Permanent residents are not eligible.  
Recent Awardees: N/A  
Link: https://us.fulbrightonline.org/about/types-of-awards/study-research

Josephine de Karman Fellowship

Description: The purpose of this fellowship program is to recognize and assist students whose scholastic achievements reflect Professor von Karman’s high standards.

Deadline: In the spring of each academic year  
Amount: $25 000  
Duration: One academic year  
Restrictions: Currently only for California students  
Recent Awardees: N/A  
Link: http://www.dekarman.org/qualifications/

Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship

Description: To support graduate students in the humanities and humanistic social sciences who are enrolled in PhD programs in the United States and conducting dissertation research about non-US or US Indigenous cultures and societies.

Deadline: In the fall of each academic year  
Amount: $23 000 (average)  
Duration: 6 to 12 months  
Restrictions: N/A
Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowships in European Studies

**Description:** Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowships are intended to facilitate the timely completion of the doctoral degree by late-stage graduate students in the humanities.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year  
**Amount:** $27,500 + fees  
**Duration:** One academic year  
**Restrictions:** Must have ABD status and be a US citizen or green card holder.  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [https://councilforeuropeanstudies.org/grants-awards-fellowships/dissertation-completion/](https://councilforeuropeanstudies.org/grants-awards-fellowships/dissertation-completion/)

W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research Fellowships and Awards

**Description:** Several grants and fellowships to do research at and from the Albright Institute in Jerusalem. Topics may include anything ancient Near Eastern from prehistory to the Islamic period, including but not limited to: archaeology, classics, anthropology, architecture, art history, philosophy, philology, biblical studies, epigraphy, historical geography, language, literature, and religion.

**Deadline:** In the fall of each academic year and on a rolling basis  
**Amount:** Depends on kind of grant  
**Duration:** Depends on kind of grant  
**Restrictions:** Depends on kind of grant  
**Recent Awardees:** Jocelyn Burney  
**Link:** [https://aiar.org/home/fellowships/available-fellowships/](https://aiar.org/home/fellowships/available-fellowships/)

ASOR Study of Collections Fellowship

**Description:** The collections covered by these fellowships include museum and archival collections, repositories, or collections of national authorities.

**Deadline:** In the spring of each academic year  
**Amount:** $2000  
**Duration:** Should be used within the first 6 months of acceptance  
**Restrictions:** Applicants must be current ASOR members  
**Recent Awardees:** N/A  
**Link:** [http://www.asor.org/fellowships/study-of-collections-fellowships/](http://www.asor.org/fellowships/study-of-collections-fellowships/)
Wenner Gren Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant

Description: The Foundation supports research that demonstrates a clear link to anthropological theory and debates, and promises to make a solid contribution to advancing these ideas. There is no preference for any methodology, research location, or subfield.

Deadline: In the spring and fall of each academic year
Amount: $20,000
Duration: There is no time limit on the duration of the grant, and funding may be requested to cover distinct research phases (for example, two summers) if this is part of the research design.
Restrictions: N/A
Recent Awardees: N/A
Link: http://www.wennergren.org/programs/dissertation-fieldwork-grants

The Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) Mellon Fellowship for Dissertation Research in Original Sources

Description: To support dissertation research in the humanities or related social sciences using original sources.

Deadline: In the fall of each academic year
Amount: N/A
Duration: N/A
Restrictions: N/A
Recent Awardees: N/A
Link: https://www.clir.org/fellowships/mellon/

Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship

Description: The Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship is intended to support the final year of writing and defense of the dissertation.

Deadline: In the fall of each academic year
Amount: $28,000
Duration: One academic year
Restrictions: Must be US citizen/resident
Recent Awardees: N/A
Link: https://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/PGA_171939

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