The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute
The Polonsky Academy for Advanced Study in the
Humanities and Social Sciences





Polonsky Postdoctoral Fellowships

The Polonsky Academy at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute will award up to seven Fellowships in the humanities or social sciences for up to four years, beginning October 1, 2026. The Fellowship offers an annual stipend of \$40,000 and \$2,000 for research and related expenses, and other benefits. Yearly renewal will be contingent upon demonstrated progress in research. Fellows are expected to be physically present at the Institute for consecutive years during the period of the award. Applications will be considered from those awarded a Ph.D. on or after October 1, 2021*.

The deadline for submission is December 20, 2025.

Online applications should include the following documents in English, in separate files: statement of research plans (3-5 pages, with title); summary of previous research (3 pages); one single-authored published article or equivalent unpublished work; curriculum vitae, including list of publications; complete contact information, including phone numbers, for three referees.

Outstanding candidates will be invited for interviews on February 10-11, 2026, either in person or by videoconference.

The Polonsky Academy strives to promote diversity and encourages applicants from all backgrounds to apply.

*Applicants with children under the age of five (at the time of the application deadline) are granted an extra year; they are eligible to apply if they were awarded their PhD on or after October 1, 2020.

