Israel Travel Award

Overview

The Israel Travel Award is designed to financially support students who will be engaging in educational travel to Israel. Educational travel is defined as study, internship, volunteer, or research opportunities, as well as conference attendance. The Global Engagement and Education Abroad (GEEA) team at the International Center manages the Israel Travel Award.

Awards will be made in the amount of at least $1000 to cover expenses such as program fees, conference registration, transportation, room and board, and/or local excursions made in connection with the project. Travel awards are contingent upon the availability of funds.

Application Requirements

Eligibility Criteria
U-M Ann Arbor student, regardless of citizenship, enrolled in a degree program
● Must in good academic standing
● Open to both undergraduate and graduate students
● Must be returning to campus for at least one semester prior to graduation
● Must comply with U-M Travel Requirements for travel to Israel

Application Process for Winter Term Travel

Completion of the Israel Travel Award Application available on M-Compass, which includes the following requirements:

● A short statement (100-150 words) addressing why you wish to pursue this experience in Israel
● Proof of acceptance:
  ○ Study Abroad Applicants: Acceptance letter into a U-M credit bearing course or semester abroad; admission for direct enrollment at a recognized Israel institution; or an acceptance for enrollment in a program offered by recognized US-based study abroad program provider.
  ○ Internships and Service Projects: Offer letter from an organization.
  ○ Research: Detailed letter of invitation from host institution.
  ○ Conference attendance: proof of registration
• A completed budget sheet [3]
  ◦ Instructions: Please download the linked Google Doc, complete it, and then upload it to M-Compass as a PDF.
• An Unofficial Transcript

Application Deadline

• November 4, 2019 for travel during the Winter 2020 term. Students traveling during the Winter Break in December/January are also eligible to apply.

Expectations of Travel Award Recipients

Recipients must comply with the University Travel Policy [4] in advance of departure by:

• Registering Travel in the University’s Travel Registry
• Purchasing the Travel Abroad Health Insurance,
• Submitting documentation (A Safety Plan) about travel health and safety in Israel to the International Travel Oversight Committee (ITOC) for review due to Israel's current travel warning status [1].

Selection Process

• A selection committee will review applications and make decisions to award the scholarship.
• Applicants may be assessed based on need.

Contact Information and Advising

• Students interested in the Israel Travel Award should contact the International Center at ic-abroad@umich.edu [5] with questions. Education Abroad advising is available in the International Center by appointment throughout the fall and winter semesters. Walk-in hours are posted on the International Center’s website [6]. Walk-in appointments are first-come, first-served.

The application requirements, eligibility criteria, and selection process listed above is effective as of 10/1/2019 and is subject to change without further notification.

Source URL: https://internationalcenter.umich.edu/abroad/israel-travel-award

Links
[1] https://global.umich.edu/travel-resources/warnings-restrictions/israel/
[3] https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ewzv4PgEcHvB7cIqhP-3mzV7nQFvRfo1awA9mo-jWgg/edit#
[5] mailto:ic-abroad@umich.edu
[6] https://internationalcenter.umich.edu/abroad/swt/services