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The Gale Program 2022

Call for Proposal for Postdoctoral fellowship at Ariel University, for candidates from North America

Ariel University (AU) offers competitive fellowships for outstanding young researchers from North America, interested in postdoctoral studies at AU, during the academic year starting in October 2022.

Our postdoctoral fellows are provided with all the facilities and services required for carrying out high-quality, innovative research across multiple scientific fields – technical equipment, modern laboratories, library resources, research centers, and guidance from experienced scientific advisers.

Postdoctoral fellows at AU will be able to gain valuable research experience, expand their horizons and open up new career opportunities.

The Gale program provides the successful candidate a scholarship. This program is funded by the Gale Foundation for promoting research at AU.

Ariel University, Israel's newest public university, is evolving into a major institution of research and higher education and taking its place among the ranks of Israel's leading universities. Since receiving accreditation in 2012 as Israel's eighth university, AU has become the fastest growing university in Israel with over 15,000 students, over 450 faculty members and dozens of international Ph.D. students and post-doctoral fellows.

AU is comprised of 6 faculties that offer studies in 26 different departments. In the fall of 2019, AU opened the Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson School of Medicine, Israel's sixth medical school. The new medical school further accelerates the development of medical research at Ariel University. AU is also home to an integrative brain science center, a cyber technology center, an applied cancer research center, a center for robotics research and applications, a homeland security R&D center, a world-renowned materials research center, and the Schlesinger Center for Radiation Sources and Applications (FEL – free-electron laser particle accelerator). The Samson Family Institute for Wine Research, in partnership with the Samaria and Jordan Rift R&D Center, stands at the forefront of Israeli high-tech and world wine research.

During postdoctoral studies at AU, the successful candidate will become part of these successes, be exposed to young and promising researchers, new and cutting edge equipment, and be infused with the pioneering spirit of a young academic institution.

The Scholarship:

The candidate should plan to conduct research in their academic field on a full-time basis in an established AU research team, with an advisor who is a faculty member at the university.

The successful candidate in this program will be entitled to the following upon approval by the AU Evaluation Committee and arrival at AU:

- Up to 8,500 NIS per month, up to 24 months.
- Additional 1,500 NIS per month paid by the Faculty/ Department/ Advisor.

The Candidate should:

- Be a citizen of USA or Canada (but not an Israeli citizen).
- Have obtained a Ph.D diploma from a university in North America no more than three years prior to the date of submission to the program.
- Have published at least 3 peer-reviewed articles in scientific journals.

Selection criteria:

The candidates will be assessed according to criteria for academic excellence by the AU Evaluation Committee. The final decision of the committee will be based, inter alia, on the following criteria:

- The candidate's track record.
- The novelty and plausibility of the research plan for the postdoctoral studies.
- The research field of the candidate and the potential collaboration with other researchers from AU, besides the advisor.
- Recommendation letters.

How to apply:

The advisor will upload the budget request in the [Portal of R&D Authority at AU](#) (בקשות לתקציב - < בקשה למענק מחקר).

The application should include:

- Copies of all academic diplomas (Bachelors, Masters, PhD as relevant)
- CV (Curriculum Vitae) including publications and journal impact factors
- A summary of the candidate's doctoral dissertation (up to 1 page)
- A research proposal for the post-doctoral research at AU that has been approved by the prospective supervising faculty member (up to 2 pages)
- Two academic recommendation letters from people familiar with the candidate's work and person

- A letter of undertaking from the prospective supervisor at AU explaining their reasons for wishing to serve as the candidate's advisor
- A copy of the candidate's passport

Applications should be submitted by the prospective advisor from AU no later than the 15th of June 2022.

Candidates will be informed of the outcome of their application by the 1st of August 2022.

The successful candidate will be requested to provide, at the end of their period at AU, a report describing their academic and research achievements.

For general information regarding postdoctoral studies at AU, press [here](#).

For help in searching for an advisor, press [here](#).

For additional information please contact Adv. Orit Tassa, Director of R&D Authority: oritta@ariel.ac.il.

Good luck to all the candidates!

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