Berkeley Institute for Jewish Law and Israel Studies

Undergraduate Fellowship

The Berkeley Institute for Jewish Law and Israel Studies invites any UC Berkeley undergraduate students to apply for the Berkeley Institute Undergraduate Fellowship. The fellowship position is offered for one year with a possibility of extension. Fellows receive a $500 stipend per semester.

About the Institute: The Institute has two core focuses Jewish Law, Thought, and Identity & Israel Studies. As an undergraduate fellow, you will work on these focuses with the staff and faculty of the Institute as well as other students in your cohort. The Institute brings speakers to campus every semester. Past speakers included Supreme Court Justice of Canada Rosalie Abella, and President of the Israel Institute and former Israeli Ambassador to the United States Itamar Rabinovich. During the spring semester, the Institute hosted film screenings in conversation with writer Sayed Kashua, filmmaker Nitzan Gilady, musicians Yair Dalal, David Broza, Ali Paris, and more as well as many student-centered events. Additionally, the Institute brings visiting faculty from Israel to teach courses at Berkeley.

Tasks & Responsibilities: The fellowship consists of 3 components: Academic Engagement, Professional Development, and Teamwork.

1. Academic Engagement: Fellows are responsible for engaging in critical issues from a variety of perspectives. As an academic institution, the Berkeley Institute for Jewish Law and Israel Studies does not take political stances rather it encompasses a broad spectrum of point of views. Academic engagement consists of opportunities to meet and talk with professors, lecturers, and researchers in various campus talks or casual coffee hours.

2. Professional Development: Student fellows craft individualized plans for professional growth. Fellows gain skills in digital marketing, event production, program administration, and communication among other skills. Fellows shape their own experience at the Institute and Institute is committed to fellows achieving personal and professional goals.

3. Teamwork: Fellows have the unique opportunity to connect with a community of students who are from a variety of majors and who are involved with different activities. The fellowship offers opportunities for collaboration and innovation with a group of passionate individuals.

During a typical week, a fellow is expected to commit approximately 3-5 hours to various projects of the Institute. Fellows are responsible initiate their own projects with support. Past fellows projects included: planning and executing a DeCal courses in Israel Studies; coordinating a student event, producing a brochure of Jewish and Israel Studies courses at UC Berkeley, research with professor on Israel-Palestinian waterways, among other projects.

Please send your resume as well as a few paragraphs on why you are interested in this position to the Outreach Coordinator, Hana Rothstein (hrothstein@law.berkeley.edu) by October 20, 2017. All are welcome to apply.