



Blavatnik Cambridge Postdoctoral Fellowships programme for Israeli Scientists

## Blavatnik Cambridge Fellowships 2027-2028

### Call for Applications

**Application Deadline: 15 December 2026, 5:00 PM (IST)**

The Blavatnik Cambridge Fellowships support outstanding early-career Israeli researchers undertaking their **first postdoctoral fellowship abroad** at the **University of Cambridge**. The program promotes scientific excellence and strengthens academic collaboration between Israel and the UK.

### Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be Israeli citizens or permanent residents (including residents of East Jerusalem).
- Be residing in Israel at the time of application.
- Work in the fields of **life sciences, physical sciences, engineering, or mathematics**.
- Hold, or be close to completing, a PhD from an Israeli university or higher education institution.
- Have completed their PhD no more than **36 months** before the application deadline (excluding compulsory military service and parental leave).
- Undertake their **first postdoctoral appointment abroad**.
- Obtain endorsement from the Head of Department of the host department at the University of Cambridge before submitting the application.
- Submit only one application.

Applicants may apply before completing their PhD; however, any fellowship offer will be conditional upon successful completion of the degree before the fellowship begins.

### Fellowship Support

- **£42,600 per year** for up to two years. The stipend **includes** a **£6,000 annual research allowance** for research expenses, bench fees, conference participation, and visa costs.
- Eligible fellows may apply for parental leave support and limited childcare assistance, subject to program policies and available funding.

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## Duration

Fellowships are awarded for up to **two years**, subject to satisfactory progress and approval of second-year funding.

Fellows are expected to begin their appointment at Cambridge in **October 2027** (or as soon as visa arrangements permit).

## Fellow Responsibilities

Fellows are expected to:

- Maintain the academic standards required of Cambridge postdoctoral researchers.
- Participate in fellowship events and peer-review activities, where relevant.
- Promote the Fellowship Programme when requested.
- Submit annual progress reports.

## Selection Process

Applications will be evaluated on:

- Scientific excellence and originality.
- Relevance to life sciences, physical sciences, engineering, or mathematics.
- Quality and feasibility of the proposed research.
- Potential for long-term UK-Israel collaboration.
- Compliance with application guidelines.

Final funding decisions are made by the Blavatnik Cambridge Fellowships Grants Committee. Decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

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## Application Requirements

Applications must include:

1. **Online application form**
2. **CV** (maximum 3 pages)
3. **Host supporting statement** and short CV of the Cambridge host
4. **Two reference letters** (one from the PhD supervisor) and short CVs of referees
5. Optional: up to two pages of references supporting the proposed research

## Research Proposal Components

Applicants will be asked to provide:

- Brief biography (250 words maximum)
- Summary of current research (600 words maximum)
- Career development statement
- Non-technical project summary
- Research proposal (up to 1,500 words)
- Risk assessment
- Statement on future UK-Israel collaboration

## How to Apply

Complete the online application form and arrange for your host statement and references to be submitted directly through the application system.

Apply here: <http://scholarships.huji.ac.il>, choosing “cross-faculty applications”

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### Key Dates

| Milestone                          | Date                            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Call opens                         | 15 August 2026                  |
| Application deadline               | 15 December 2026, 5:00 PM (IST) |
| Host statements and references due | 22 December 2027, 5:00 PM (IST) |
| Results announced                  | Week of 16 March 2027           |
| Fellowships begin                  | October 2027                    |

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