

Call for Applications
Slipping Sideways: Contemporaneity and Alternate Histories
Postdoctoral Research Fellowship 2021-2

The Department of English Language & Literature at the University of Haifa is pleased to announce a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship to join *Slipping Sideways: Contemporaneity and Alternate Histories*, an ongoing project funded by the Israeli Science Foundation, and conducted by Dr. Keren Omry.

Deadline: March 1, 2021

Duration: 1 year (possible option to extend to a second year)

Amount: 160,000 NIS (~\$47,000) per annum

Eligibility: The Post-Doctoral Fellow can hold a PhD in any relevant arts and humanities or social science discipline, and they can conduct research on any kind of media, including film, visual arts, literature, video games, as long as the candidate's research project is closely related to **Alternate History**. A publishing record on this topic will be an advantage.

Project description

The project attempts to theorize the contemporary, turning to Alternate History as the pervasive form of our times. The research pivots around an array of key concepts, including: Transnationalism, Cohabitation, Accountability, Obligation, Justice, and Livability.

More about the position

The successful candidate would be joining a vibrant department that boasts a roster of internationally renowned researchers and an ethnically diverse student body at a leading research university. The principle aims of the Postdoc are twofold: the first is to give junior scholars time and space to further their research, with the goal of professionalization and encouraging publication. The second is to encourage collaboration and cooperation to further the study of Alternate History, by taking a role in seminars, lectures, workshops, and/or preparing joint publications with peers. The successful candidate will be expected to devote their time to research, be present periodically on the Haifa campus, and take an active role in the academic life of the department.

Moreover, the Fellow will be asked to assist in general organizational tasks within the project during their employment term, including co-arranging workshops and conferences that are part of the project. Expected starting date is **October 2021**.

In the evaluation of the applications, emphasis will be placed on:

- Proven academic excellence
- The project's scientific merit, research-related relevance and innovation
- The applicant's estimated academic and personal ability to carry out the project within the allotted time frame and contribution to the main project
- Good co-operative skills, and the ability to successfully join in academic collaboration within and across disciplines

Application Instructions:

- Project Description (2-3 pages) describe your proposed research including information on when you expect to complete it, how does it differ from your PhD, how do you expect to use the time afforded by the Fellowship, and any other information you consider relevant.
- CV (no more than 2 pages)
- Preliminary bibliography (1-2 pages)
- Affiliation and contact information for up to three references: at least one reference should come from outside your home department and your doctoral committee.

All application material should be sent to: english@research.haifa.ac.il.

All queries should be directed to **Dr. Keren Omry** (komry@research.haifa.ac.il)