



# Postdoctoral Fellowship 2009-2010 Application Form

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I hereby certify that the information contained in this application form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Signature Date



### **About the Postdoctoral Fellowship**

The Crown Center for Middle East Studies is offering one-year postdoctoral fellowships to outstanding scholars of Middle East politics, economics, history, religion, or social developments. The fellowships will allow scholars in the early stages of their career, the flexibility and means to advance a specific research project related to the contemporary Middle East.

### **About the Crown Center**

The Crown Center's research interests encompass the twenty-two members of the Arab League, stretching from Morocco to Iraq, as well as Israel, Turkey, and Iran. The Center's research focus extends well beyond Arab-Israeli tensions to include Middle East politics, Islamic studies, economic and social developments, and regional security and arms control.

The Center's research staff reflects its broad geopolitical focus. During its three years of operation, experienced researchers with high-level expertise about Egypt, Israel, Palestine, Turkey, Iraq, Iran and Saudi Arabia conducted research for the Center. In addition to hosting conferences, seminars, and workshops, the Center has created tools for "real-time" distribution of analyses regarding current developments and events in the Middle East with its "Middle East Brief." The Center also publishes article-length monographs titled "Crown Papers," which is a peer-reviewed scholarly publication. The Center's staff teaches undergraduate- and graduate-level courses at Brandeis University.

### **Eligibility**

The 2009-2010 postdoctoral fellowship is open to all scholars who hold a doctoral degree and have research experience in a Middle East related field. Eligible candidates should have earned a doctoral degree no earlier than 2006.

### **Terms**

The Post Doctoral Fellowship is a one-Year appointment beginning September 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010. The stipend for the 10 months will be \$43,000. In addition funding is available for research, travel, and related expenses. Fringe benefits will be available during the 10-month appointment period. Appointment is subject to budgetary approval.

Fellows are expected to be in residence at the Crown Center during the tenure of the fellowship. In addition to transforming their Ph.D. dissertation into a book, it is expected that the Fellow will produce a working paper or monograph focusing on his/her research project to be submitted to the "Crown Papers" series, write a Middle East Brief, and participate in all Crown Center seminars, conferences and other events.



## **Application**

Please submit all of the following materials:

- 1) Application Form
- 2) Project proposal
  - a. In five to seven pages (Double spaced 12 pt. font) please explain the project you would undertake if you received this fellowship. In addition please include a separate bibliography of works to demonstrate how this project relates to the current literature.
  - b. A strong proposal will articulate a clear hypothesis and methodology; outlines a clear and realistic work plan; and demonstrates how this contributes to an original understanding of the Middle East.
- 3) Writing Samples
  - a. Please include a writing sample of no more than 20 pages.
  - b. Please include a Dissertation Abstract of no more than 2 pages.
- 4) CV and Publication List
  - a. Please include your CV and list of your publications.
- 5) Three letters of Recommendation
  - a. Please list the names, addresses and occupations of the three persons, not related to you, who will submit letters of recommendation on your behalf.

## **Mailing and Emailing Instructions**

Please mail the complete application to:

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*Email submissions are accepted*

Please email to: [crowncenter@brandeis.edu](mailto:crowncenter@brandeis.edu)

## **Deadline**

February 2, 2009

## **Notification**

March 2, 2009

## **Review Process**

The applications will be reviewed for:

- 1) The project's quality and originality
- 2) The strength of the methodology
- 3) The project's contribution to the field
- 4) The qualification of the candidate.

## **Inquiries**

Please direct inquiries to Kristina Cherniahivsky at [crowncenter@brandeis.edu](mailto:crowncenter@brandeis.edu) or call 781-736-5320