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## **The Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program Call for Israeli Post-Doctoral Fellowship Applications 2018-19**

**The Zuckerman Israeli Postdoctoral Scholars Program** provides additional support to Israeli scholars who have been accepted to a postdoctoral program with a stipend at an American university.

### **Duration and Funding**

- Zuckerman Israeli Postdoctoral Scholarships are up to two years.
- Zuckerman Israeli Postdoctoral Scholars receive a stipend of \$20,000 US per academic year for up to two years, plus a \$5,000 US travel allowance to return to Israel once per academic year during their postdoctoral appointment.

### **Eligibility**

- Zuckerman Israeli Postdoctoral Scholars are chosen through a rigorous selection process, based on their academic and research records and letters of recommendation, without regard to race, religion, gender, ethnicity, or age.
- The selection committee assesses candidates' potential to make cutting-edge contributions in STEM fields, as well as their demonstrated leadership qualities.
- Two Israeli postdoctoral scholarships are allocated to Tel-Aviv University.
- Candidates must hold a Ph.D. degree or that their Ph.D. thesis was sent to referees.
- Candidates who commence their postdoc before 10/2017 are not eligible to apply.

### **Academic and Social Activities**

- In order to maintain a sense of a Zuckerman Scholars group, and to ensure that all postdoctoral scholars exchange ideas and foster prelatships, Zuckerman scholars are expected to participate in sponsored events and activities during the academic year.
- Scholars are expected to return to the home campuses from which they earned their doctorates, and to visit other universities, where they will give talks and be interviewed by faculty and Ph.D. students. They should share insights about their research and about the experience of collaborating with scientists in the United States.

- Scholars are expected to attend academic and social programs hosted by the Zuckerman Institute and/or by the North American universities that participate in other programs of the Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program.
- Scholars will be invited to joint programs, including a Zuckerman Institute scientific seminar with media coverage that will be open to the public, where selected postdoctoral scholars from all the participating universities in the Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program will present their research.

### **Publications**

- Zuckerman Israeli Postdoctoral Scholars must identify themselves as members of the Zuckerman Israeli Postdoctoral Scholars Program in all academic and scientific papers, articles, publications, presentations, etc. through duration of participation in the program.

### **Required Documents**

1. CV including a paragraph on demonstrated leadership qualities + List of publications (minimum of three publications), listing the impact factors of the journals in which papers were published.
2. Written confirmation that the candidate is entitled to a Ph.D. degree and the date it was awarded, or an administrative confirmation that the candidate's doctoral thesis was sent to referees.
3. Research proposal (up to 3 pages).
4. Letter of consent from a potential supervisor from the USA university
5. Letter of acceptance as a postdoc at an American university, specifying the amount of the stipend promised by the host institution.
6. Reference letter(s) from PhD Advisor(s)
7. Two additional reference letters, preferably from referees from other institutions
8. Personal statement detailing the candidate's future career plans.

Applications should be submitted in one hard copy to the Foundations & Grants Unit, Senate Building, Room 221, and also sent via email in one pdf file to [Shlomita@tauex.tau.ac.il](mailto:Shlomita@tauex.tau.ac.il).

Letters of recommendation can be sent separately by each referee. They should be sent by email directly to the above address.

**Deadline for applications: November 30, 2017**