

# Bringing Modern Israel to San Diego Campuses



## Applying for a Visiting Faculty Position with Murray Galinson San Diego-Israel Initiative (MGSDII)

The MGSDII is a nonpartisan, and non-advocacy organization that advances teaching and discourse about modern Israel in partnership with leading San Diego universities.

All applicants must possess a strong command of English and be able to teach undergraduate courses about modern Israel to students in the United States.

Faculty members must teach two in-person Israel-focused courses in each semester/quarter of their placement. Courses may be in any discipline but, to be considered Israel-focused, at least sixty percent of the topics and readings must be about modern Israel.

Each semester, the Visiting Faculty member also is expected to speak about Israel at two public or academic events (outside the classroom).

Grant recipients are not employees of the MGSDII and must coordinate hiring with a university. Faculty should plan to cover their own expenses including, but not limited to, living expenses, taxes, health insurance, travel expenses, etc.

MGSDII grants do not pay for college/university administrative costs, fees, overhead, or indirect costs.

#### Finding a School

The first step in seeking a Visiting Faculty Grant is to find a school in San Diego interested in hosting you, sponsoring your visa, providing you with an office, and offering undergraduate courses about modern Israel that you will teach.

You do not need to have a formal invitation from the school when you apply, but you should know that the school is interested in hosting you and offering your courses. You will need a formal invitation before the grant is awarded. In some disciplines, we have an on-going need and have the placement set for applicants.

#### Application, please provide:

- A high-resolution headshot (300 ppi);
- A short bio;

- An academic curriculum vitae (CV);
- Course descriptions for two full-term, three-credit, undergraduate-level courses focused on modern Israel that you propose to teach; and
- If you have--identification of a host university in San Diego County that has expressed interest in your courses.

### **Invitation requirements**

When requesting an invitation from a school, the university must commit in writing to the Institute's placement requirements:

- Offer at least two full-term, three-credit, in-person undergraduate course that the MGSDII Visiting Faculty member will teach about modern Israel in each semester/quarter during the academic year.
- Provide the MGSDII Faculty member with an on-campus office (shared is acceptable);
- Sponsor the visa for the MGSDII Visiting Faculty member; and
- Make an effort to ensure robust enrollment, including ensuring that courses are cross-listed and/or meet major/minor/general education requirements.
- All scholars need a formal invitation before the grant is awarded.

Please send application materials to Susan Lapidus, MGSDII Director at: susan@mgsdii.org