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The State of Israel views aliyah as a central component of our national strength. The Ministry of Immigrant Absorption has taken upon itself, in accordance with government policies, to implement programs designed to encourage aliyah.

Such programs help to encourage economic and social growth and development, and are primarily aimed at young people, students, and young families.

Within the framework of this policy, the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption, through the auspices of the Center for Absorption in Science, assists in the cost of scholarships for research students (doctorates).

The scholarships are given to new immigrants who have been accepted as research students through one of the universities.

Conditions of Eligibility

Candidates must be new immigrants who have been in Israel for up to two years from their date of aliyah, and who a recognized university is willing to accept for doctoral studies. Candidates must be below the age of 37.

A candidate for doctoral studies is usually required to take supplementary studies prior to acceptance to a research study track. Therefore, a candidate can receive assistance in one of two tracks:

1. Pre-doctoral track; one year as a researcher in a research team, and the next two years on a doctorate scholarship.
2. Doctorate track; three-year scholarship as a research student.

The pre-doctoral track allows new immigrants to find an academic research advisor during their first year, and to take any necessary

supplementary courses and the G.R.E. exam, in addition to working as an immigrant scientist with a master's degree.

Assistance

As stated above, scholarships are given for three years: the first year as a pre-doctoral candidate and two years as a doctoral student, or three years as a doctoral student.

Partial Ministry of Immigrant Absorption participation in scholarships is provided directly to the university in which the student is registered, as follows:

Track	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Pre-doctorate			
Ministry Participation	NIS 39,600	NIS 30,780	NIS 30,780
University Supplement	NIS 16,080	NIS 30,780	NIS 30,780
Doctorate			
Ministry Participation	NIS 30,780	NIS 30,780	NIS 30,780
University Supplement	NIS 30,780	NIS 30,780	NIS 30,780

Scholarships are intended to cover tuition costs and daily expenses. During their first year, students in both tracks can receive a further NIS 5,500 to cover research expenses.

Scholarships are paid on the basis of an individual agreement between the university and the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption, and in accordance with regulations of the Center for Absorption in Science.

Beneficiaries of scholarships will be required to participate in community welfare programs organized by the Ministry according to areas of professional expertise.

Registration for doctoral studies is through the “Research Students Authority” or the “Advanced Studies Authority” of the universities, and takes place throughout the year.

Each university has different requirements and procedures for registration. Candidates should apply directly to the university in which they wish to register in order to receive exact details. In all cases, candidates will be required to submit authorization of their bachelor’s and master’s degrees, together with copies of their course transcripts and grades. The documents will be evaluated by the university.

Documents should be translated to either Hebrew or English and authorized by a notary. If documents are in English, the original should be submitted together with a photocopy. The original will be returned following authorization. It is recommended to keep photocopies of original documents that are submitted. Your first and last names should appear on each page of documents. New immigrants should include their identity card number.

A necessary condition for acceptance to doctoral studies is to find a certified research advisor who is a faculty member in the appropriate discipline or department. When applying to the “Research Students Authority” it is necessary supply a letter of agreement from the intended advisor.

Candidates who are still overseas are urged even prior to aliyah to find a faculty member via the Internet who will be willing to serve as their research advisor.

A candidate for aliyah who receives authorization from the Jewish Agency can receive assistance from the Center for Absorption in Science. The Center can provide advice on universities that have appropriate departments or faculties for academic training, and can help to locate research advisors.

The Center provides assistance according to three areas: applied and exact sciences, social sciences, and life and medical sciences.

Receiving a Scholarship

Following acceptance to a university, it is necessary to apply to the university office responsible for providing scholarships to research students. The office will determine eligibility for a scholarship, and following approval will apply to the Center for Absorption in Science for participation in the scholarship costs.

Aliyah Arrangements and Ulpan

Ministry of Immigrant Absorption assistance is given only to those recognized as an immigrant or returning resident.

Immigrants that receive the Absorption Basket during their first six months following aliyah are not eligible to receive a scholarship during that period. It is recommended to use the period of Absorption Basket payment to study in an ulpan.

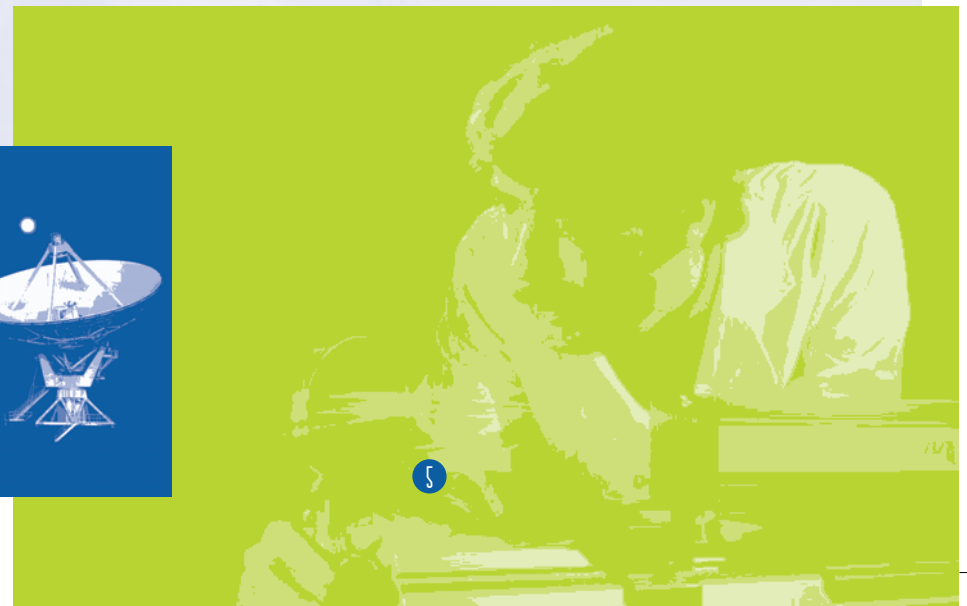
Special ulpanim are available for young academics in Jewish Agency absorption centers. These include Ulpan Etzion in Jerusalem and Ulpan Cfar Sava. Details are available from Jewish Agency aliyah shaliachs.

Ulpan programs for all new immigrants are run throughout the year in all parts of the country. For details, consult with a branch or district office of the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption.

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Important Addresses

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