

## Call for Applications

# 2024-2025 Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Child and Youth Rights

**The Child and Youth Rights Program (ChYRP) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Minerva Center for Human Rights is accepting applications for Post-Doctoral Fellowships in 2024–2025**

ChYRP aims to promote research, pedagogy, and dissemination of knowledge in the field of child rights (aged 0-18). ChYRP uses the United Nations' Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) as the blueprint for the program agenda and fosters interdisciplinary scholarship with a preference for rights-respecting methodologies. Each year ChYRP will emphasize a different right outlined in the CRC. In 2023, its first year of operation, ChYRP provided Ph.D. and Post-doctorate fellowships for researchers focusing on children's right to participation in decision-making. In 2024-25, against the backdrop of the present war, the emphasis will be on children's right to Life, Survival, and Development (Article 6 of the CRC).

### **The Fellowships include:**

1. The Fellowship awards the status of a Research Fellow for the 2024-2025 academic year (1 October 2024 – 30 September 2025) at the Child and Youth Rights Program (ChYRP) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Minerva Center for Human Rights.
2. The one-year scholarship will be in the amount of 152,000 NIS. Fellows will not engage in other employment during the period of the fellowship, aside from teaching or other academic activities at the Hebrew University.
3. The Fellowship can be spent at the Hebrew University, an approved academic institution abroad, or a combination of both options. ChYRP can assist in finding a fitting academic venue abroad if needed.
4. Fellows may apply for travel funding for participation in local and international conferences.

### **Requirements:**

1. The Fellowships are open to researchers from all disciplines related to issues of child and youth rights (e.g., law, social work, medicine, criminology, education, and sociology).
2. Preference to candidates who have already focused in their previous research on child rights.
3. Applicants must have received their Doctorate diploma no earlier than October 2020 and no later than June 2024.
4. The Applicant's research plan must address current themes and challenges in the fields of child rights and should be guided by the CRC, preferably on the right to Life, survival, and Development.
5. Candidates interested in researching children in Israel may consider topics such as children living in the periphery, children of asylum-seekers, Palestinian children in Israel or the OPT, immigrants, LGBTQI, children from ultra-orthodox communities, and children with special needs.
6. The research plan may involve any one or several methodologies, including legal-doctrinal, theoretical, comparative, quantitative, qualitative, action research, and experimental, with emphasis on the right of children to Life, Survival, and Development.
7. Fellows are expected to take part and contribute to the activities of ChYRP and the Minerva Center throughout the year, including weekly seminars and meetings.
8. Fellows are expected to complete a peer-reviewed article during the year and to present it at academic events.

### Application instructions:

1. Applications should include:
  - A. Research plan (up to two pages) describing the intended research topic, the importance and relevance of the research question to the field of children's rights, the desired methodology, and relevant theoretical frameworks .
  - B. Candidates considering spending the fellowship or part of it abroad, should also indicate in the research plan the desired destination and supervisor if known, and justifications for that choice.
  - C. Summary of the applicant's doctoral thesis (up to one page).
  - D. Official confirmation of the date the Ph.D. was awarded or (if not yet approved) submitted.
  - E. Curriculum vitae, including publications.
  - F. At least two recommendation letters, including one from the doctoral supervisor.
2. All documents should be combined into one PDF file.
3. Please submit applications (and questions) to the Child and Youth Rights Program via email: [chyrp@mail.huji.ac.il](mailto:chyrp@mail.huji.ac.il)

**Deadline for applications: February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Interviews of select candidates will be held in late February or early March.

Final decisions - by the end of March.