

## Call for Applications for a Senior Academic Position in the School of Jewish Studies and Archeology

The School of Jewish Studies and Archaeology at Tel-Aviv University invites applications for an open-rank, tenure-track position beginning March or October 2026.

We seek candidates with a record of excellence in research and teaching in one or more of the following areas:

- **Bible:** All fields of Hebrew Bible research, including the Apocrypha, the Dead Sea Scrolls, and the ancient translations, as well as the study of biblical literature in light of epigraphic and archaeological discoveries from the ancient Near East and the broader ancient world.
- Talmud: Rabbinic literature of late antiquity in all its forms. Preference will be given to scholars who offer an interdisciplinary approach to the study of rabbinic literature within a broad historical, cultural, and legal context—for example, in relation to Second Temple literature, biblical interpretation and reception, Hellenistic-Roman literature, Qumran, early Christianity, Roman law, halakha and the Cairo Genizah, and material culture.
- Archaeology: The archaeology of the Land of Israel in the ancient periods (post-Neolithic), with an emphasis on social, symbolic, and economic aspects of the formation of complex and urban societies, and with relevance to related theoretical and methodological fields. Preference will be given to candidates with substantial experience in archaeological fieldwork.

Preference will be given to candidates whose work reflects an interdisciplinary approach spanning several of the aforementioned fields and/or who integrate digital humanities methodologies into their research

## **Job Description and Requirements:**

The School places the highest value on academic excellence, intellectual breadth, and teaching versatility. The successful candidate will be expected to:

- Conduct original, high-quality research and publish in leading venues.
- Teach required and elective courses at both undergraduate and graduate levels.
- Supervise M.A. and Ph.D. students.
- Contribute actively to the academic life of the School and its administrative duties.



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- Apply for competitive research funding.
- Demonstrate a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The primary language of instruction is Hebrew, though some courses are offered in English. Candidates who are not proficient in Hebrew will be expected to attain the ability to teach in Hebrew within two years of their appointmentApplicants must hold a Ph.D. by the commencement of employment. Salary and terms of appointment will be in accordance with Tel Aviv University regulations. The appointment process will be conducted in accordance with the University's procedures and is subject to final approval by the relevant University authorities.

## Applications should include:

- Cover letter describing your academic trajectory and fit for the position (max. 2 pages)
- Curriculum vitae

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- List of publications
- Two samples of published work
- Brief description of planned research (max. 2 pages)
- Two sample teaching surveys
- Names and contact information of at least three senior scholars who have agreed to provide letters of reference

Please send all application materials by **September 1, 2025**, to:

Prof. Yoram Cohen

Head, School of Jewish Studies and Archeology

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Candidates who proceed to the second stage of evaluation will be asked to have three reference letters sent directly from the senior scholars to the above address.

The position is open to all candidates. The appointment will be based on the candidate's qualifications and the needs of the School. The School of Jewish Studies and Archeology, the Faculty of Humanities, and Tel Aviv University are not obligated to appoint any of the candidates who apply for this position.

The Faculty of Humanities at Tel Aviv University is interested in increasing diversity, broadly defined, and in recruiting new faculty members representing a diverse multicultural society.

For questions about the position, please contact Prof. Yoram Cohen at the email above.