

Israel Government Fellows The 2009-2010 Session

Program Description:

The *Israel Government Fellow Program* offers outstanding individuals an opportunity to intern in the Israeli Government. Program fellows are positioned in accordance with their field of expertise, as well as the manpower needs of the ministries and government branches. Endorsed by the Office of the Prime Minister, the program aims for the fulfillment of two main visions: strengthening the connections between Israel and the Diaspora and promoting Jewish leadership globally.

The duration of the program is ten months – based in Jerusalem. Alongside internship in the government, Fellows attend seminar days on issues relating to Israeli politics, Israeli culture, global Jewish affairs, Israeli defense issues, economy, media and many more. The lectures and discussions are held with leading public figures, members of Knesset, scholars, businessmen and experts from a wide range of fields. Fellows will also attend Ulpan sessions (Hebrew language course), and experience Israel through educational tours around the country.

Application requirements:

- A Bachelors degree and professional experience OR a Master's Degree.
- Age 22-30
- Fluent English
- MASA eligibility

Costs and grants:

The full cost of the program is \$11,000. Program participants are also eligible for the Menachem Begin Heritage Center grant of \$3500, and a MASA grant (the sum varies according to the country of origin and other criteria). MASA also offers additional grants. **Assuming these options are taken up, Fellows will be left paying only a small portion of the full cost, if any.**

Duration: 09 September 2009 to 30 June 2010.

Registration: closes on April 15th 2009.

For further information, please visit: www.israelgovernmentfellows.org.il

