



ELIGIBILITY AND PROCESS FOR ACCEPTANCE AS A STEP FELLOW

(Acceptance is dependent on availability of funds)

DEADLINE: by December 1, 2022

DECISIONS: by February 1, 2022

Eligibility:

- A STEP Fellowship is dependent upon prior acceptance to a graduate program at an Israeli university.
- In order to be accepted as a STEP Fellow, you must identify (with help from the university) a partner from across the border who will work on the same or related program or project. (If you are Israeli, your partner must be from the West Bank or Gaza and if you are a Palestinian from the West Bank or Gaza, your academic partner must be from Israel). (See "To Apply" below.)
- The applicant's graduate education must be for at least two years with STEP pairs working together in person at least once/week.
- STEP Fellows must commit to participating in a community outreach activity once per year.
- A STEP Fellowship is dependent on participation in STEP by the applicant's Advisor.

To apply :

1. You must first apply directly to the university. STEP has faculty liaisons at specific campuses to help guide you through the process. Contact STEP to connect with those liaisons (stepgtp@gmail.com)
2. If accepted into the university, your academic adviser must help you identify a STEP partner with whom you will work throughout your studies.
3. Complete and submit the STEP Application to stepgtp@gmail.com.
4. STEP will review your application and provided that you are accepted, STEP will conduct an interview with you and your partner, as well as with your academic adviser, to evaluate your qualification for a Fellowship.

Stipend/Scholarship:

\$6,000/per student/per year with the proviso that the university matches at least this amount. STEP's support is contingent on the student's academic progress and relationship-building with his/her partner.

Requirements, Once Accepted You Must:

- Be an ambassador for STEP.
- Provide progress reports to STEP at the end of each semester.
- Attend the STEP Annual Convocation.
- Participate in online STEP seminars.
- Respond to STEP Administration in a timely fashion.
- Notify STEP Administration of any situation that prohibits your meeting your STEP obligations.
- Provide photos and video (when appropriate and safe) for STEP promotion and outreach.
- STEP Fellows must commit to participating in a community outreach activity once per year.