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# Junior Fellows

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Starting from 2018, The Herzl Center for Israel Studies is publishing regular calls for applications targeting junior researchers (PhDs) whose work is in accordance with Centers' main areas of expertise. The HCIS offers one doctoral fellowship a year. The fellow work under the supervision of Charles University faculty members. For additional information, please contact [irena.kalhousova@fsv.cuni.cz](mailto:irena.kalhousova@fsv.cuni.cz)

## 2021-2025



**Tereza Plíštilová** is a Ph.D. student at the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University. In her Master's thesis, she has focused on the Israel Defense Forces' social media campaign and their construction of narratives during the Gaza protests. As part of her research, she spent a semester at Tel Aviv University in Israel and attended Hebrew language school at Haifa University. Her doctoral dissertation examines protest movements in the Middle East after the Arab Spring and their visibility in the media. At the Herzl Center, she is part of the PRIMUS project and a project which focuses on the Czech public attitudes towards Israel.

## 2020-2024



**Mansheetal Singh** is a Ph.D. candidate at the Institute of Sociological Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University in Prague. His research focuses on Indo-Judaic and Indo-Israel Studies. His academic interests include the study of Identity and Immigration of Jews in Israel. His master's thesis revolved around the Indian Jewish diaspora and state politics of Israel. In 2018, he conducted an ethnographic research visit to Israel to study the culture and identity of Indian Jews, followed by a fellowship program at the Oxford University in 2019, organized by the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (ISGAP) as an Elie Wiesel- Martin Luther King Jr. Scholar.

## 2018-2019



**Jakub Střelec** is a first year PhD student of Modern History at the Department of Austrian and German Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University in Prague. In his research, he focuses on comparative social and cultural history of psychiatry in Europe after 1945. Further research interests are: history of historiography and methodology of social history. At the HCIS he is responsible for carrying out administrative tasks and providing research support.



**Oleksandra Pekackova Modelska** is a first year PhD student at the Department of Russian and East European Studies at Charles University. Oleksandra has a Master of Arts degree in International Relations and Diplomacy from Anglo-American University (AAU) in Prague. Her key interests are: the Holocaust historiography and Soviet Jewish emigration. In her own PhD research, she focuses on the Holocaust in Estonia. Her bachelor's thesis analyzed the Soviet Jewish emigration and the concept of the Soviet Refuseniks during President Carter's administration.