FROM A PAST RECIPIENT:

“The Paradise Scholarship provided me the unique opportunity to pursue so many of my passions in Israel with little restrictions. It allowed me to explore my interest in social justice and activism by working with three incredible non-profits giving me the chance to learn more about the refugee community in Israel, the various socioeconomic minorities as well as the Arab/Palestinian community. I gained so much important insight from my volunteer work and now have a deeper understanding of some of the important social and political issues facing Israel today.”

--Mia Strubel Iram ’25
2022 Jonathan Paradise Israel Experience Scholarship recipient
PURPOSE: This fund was established by Elie Alyeshmerni, Carleton’s Hebrew instructor from 1978 to 1998, to honor his teacher, Professor Jonathan Paradise. Its purpose is to provide financial support to Carleton students who wish to learn more about the culture history, and politics of Israel in order to better understand the global community in which they live. The precise amount of scholarships will depend on the travel budgets of the proposals, as well as the number and quality of proposals received.

CRITERIA:

• Students must be enrolled in Israel in a structured educational program, which need not be a university. Alternatively or in addition, they must be officially registered in a structured internship and/or volunteer program that provides important education opportunities.
• The College may take into consideration security arrangements provided by the sponsoring or organizing institution when making this award.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

• All Carleton students in good academic standing irrespective of religious affiliation or knowledge of Hebrew.
• Students who can demonstrate a genuine interest in Israel and Israeli society.
• Preference will be given to applicants who are rising sophomores and juniors, so that each award recipient can come back to Carleton and share their experiences and insights into life in Israel.

HOW DO I APPLY:

• Complete the on-line application which includes a budget, and a statement explaining the educational experiences that have prepared you for study in Israel and the ways in which this off-campus experience will contribute to your education.
• Two reference forms from faculty, or one may be from a work supervisor, or a Rabbi or religious educator who knows you well and understands your educational goals and capacity for studying, interning, or volunteering in Israel.
• Student application and recommendation forms are available at: https://www.carleton.edu/judaicstudies/paradise/
APPLICATION DEADLINE: 4:00 pm, March 8, 2024

INFORMATION MEETING:

Wednesday, October 4, 2023 from 8-9:00 pm in the Middle Eastern Languages Lounge, LDC 260. For more information, or to explore study opportunities in Israel, contact: STACY BECKWITH, DIRECTOR, JUDAIC STUDIES, LDC 261, PHONE 507-222-5307, E-MAIL: sbeckwit@carleton.edu