

SENIOR LECTURER IN PREMODERN JEWISH STUDIES

DEPARTMENT/UNIT	Australian Centre for Jewish Civilisation, School of Philosophical, Historical and International Studies
FACULTY/DIVISION	Faculty of Arts
CLASSIFICATION	Level C
DESIGNATED CAMPUS OR LOCATION	Caulfield campus

ORGANISATIONAL CONTEXT

At [Monash](#), work feels different. There's a sense of belonging, from contributing to something groundbreaking – a place where great things happen. You know you're part of something special and purposeful because, like Monash, your ambitions drive you to make change.

We have a clear purpose to deliver ground-breaking intensive research; a world-class education; a global ecosystem of enterprise – and we activate these to address some of the [challenges](#) of the age, Climate Change, Thriving Communities and Geopolitical Security.

We welcome and value difference and [diversity](#). When you come to work, you can be yourself, be a change-maker and develop your career in exciting ways with curious, energetic, inspiring and committed people and teams driven to make an impact – just like you.

Together with our [commitment to academic freedom](#), you will have access to quality research facilities, infrastructure, world class teaching spaces, and international collaboration opportunities.

We champion an [inclusive workplace culture](#) for our staff regardless of ethnicity or cultural background. We have also worked to improve [gender equality](#) for more than 30 years. Join the pursuit of our purpose to build a better future for ourselves and our communities – [#Changelt](#) with us.

Monash Arts is one of the largest, most diverse and dynamic arts faculties in Australia, with particular strengths in the humanities, performing arts, languages and social sciences. We encourage the development of innovative studies that operate at the intersection of traditional academic disciplines. The faculty delivers programs via eight schools and across six campuses,

both in Australia and offshore, with courses ranging from undergraduate diplomas and degrees through to postgraduate coursework and research degrees. Monash Arts is justly proud of the research capacity of its staff, who work at the cutting edge in their fields and carry this expertise and enthusiasm into their teaching.

To learn more about Monash Arts, please visit our [website](#).

The School of Philosophical, Historical and International Studies undertakes teaching and research and includes: the Philosophy Program; the Centre for Human Bioethics; the History Program; the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies; the Centre for the Study of Ancient Cultures; the Centre for Religious Studies; the Monash Indigenous Studies Centre and the Australian Centre for the Study of Jewish Civilisation. The School is one of five Schools in the Faculty of Arts in Australia. The School has administrative responsibility for the faculty major in International Studies. The School's teaching covers many of the key areas of human societies and includes programs at all levels: research degrees, postgraduate coursework, and majors within the Bachelor of Arts. It forms an active research community, producing many publications for both scholarly and general audiences.

The Australian Centre for Jewish Civilisation (ACJC) is a leading tertiary centre for Jewish studies and the leading centre for Jewish intellectual life in Australia. The Centre offers minor sequences in Jewish studies and Holocaust and Genocide Studies. The minor in Jewish studies includes units in modern Jewish history, the Holocaust, The Arab-Israeli conflict, Jewish cultural studies, and the modern Middle East. The Holocaust and Genocide Studies minor provides study sequences focused on knowledge about the Holocaust and other cases of genocide.

Students undertaking units in the ACJC are taught to consider the complex issues of Jewish/non-Jewish relations, Jewish texts and traditions, Jews and modernity, the causes and impact of the Holocaust, the course and aftermath of a range of genocides, the place of Israel in Jewish life, and the role of Jews in contemporary culture. The ACJC is also a leader in overseas study units. The research outputs of the Centre cover an array of areas in the field, with world-renowned scholars and leading international scholars contributing each year as visitors to the program. In addition, the ACJC hosts a robust public program.

To learn more about the ACJC please visit: www.monash.edu/arts/acjc.

POSITION PURPOSE

A Level C academic is expected to make significant contributions to the teaching effort of a department, school, faculty or other organisational unit or an interdisciplinary area. An academic at this level is also expected to play a major role in scholarship, research and/or professional activities.

We are seeking a scholar of premodern Jewish studies. Disciplinary speciality is open, but may include Religious Studies, Philosophy, Archaeology, Classics, History, Literary Studies, or another relevant discipline. The successful candidate will research and teach in the area of Jewish Studies. They will be emerging research leaders in their field, and their teaching will include the premodern Jewish history survey, plus specialised units in their disciplinary area. They will contribute to ACJC's extensive public program and provide their expertise on Jewish studies to the national conversation.

Reporting Line: The position reports to the director of the ACJC

Supervisory Responsibilities: Not applicable

Financial Delegation: Not applicable

Budgetary Responsibilities: Not applicable

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Specific duties required of a Level C academic may include:

1. The conduct of tutorials, workshops and student field excursions
2. Initiation and development of course material
3. Course coordination
4. The preparation and delivery of lectures and seminars
5. Supervision of major honours or postgraduate research projects
6. Supervision of the program of study of honours students and of postgraduate students engaged in course work
7. The conduct of research
8. Significant role in research projects including, where appropriate, leadership of a research team
9. Involvement in professional activity
10. Consultation with students
11. Broad administrative functions
12. Marking and assessment
13. Attendance at departmental, school and/or faculty meetings and a major role in planning or committee work
14. Other duties as directed from time to time

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

Education/Qualifications

1. The appointee will have:
 - A doctoral qualification in the relevant discipline area.

Knowledge and Skills

2. Knowledge of relevant languages, including at least one Jewish language
3. Possess a high level of interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to work independently and as part of a team across both the education and service sectors
4. Demonstrated publication record in high-quality refereed journals, conferences equivalent textbooks or teaching resources
5. Demonstrated ability in undertaking outstanding research and leading a research team and project
6. Proven record of obtaining significant external grants for research
7. Demonstrated record of successfully supervising postgraduate research students
8. Ability to work positively and cooperatively with students, internal and external teams and external organisations
9. Demonstrated strong record of teaching experience in a tertiary environment including course coordination
10. Demonstrated ability to motivate, actively engage and educate a given audience

11. Proven ability, commitment and passion for engaging in scholarly and research activities
12. A demonstrated capacity to work in a collegiate manner with other staff in the workplace

OTHER JOB RELATED INFORMATION

- Travel to other campuses of the University may be required
- There may be a requirement to work additional hours from time to time
- There may be peak periods of work during which taking of leave may be restricted
- A current satisfactory Working With Children Check is required

GOVERNANCE

Monash University expects staff to appropriately balance risk and reward in a manner that is sustainable to its long-term future, contribute to a culture of honesty and integrity, and provide an environment that is safe, secure and inclusive. Ensure you are aware of and adhere to University policies relevant to the duties undertaken and the values of the University. This is a standard which the University sees as the benchmark for all of its activities in Australia and internationally.