

OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES
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Hebrew Manuscript Studies:
Codicology, Palaeography, Art History

SUMMER WORKSHOP
22 June-3 July 2026

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

APPLICATION CLOSING DATE: 20 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 12 NOON UK TIME

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The Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies and the Bodleian Library, Oxford, invite applications for a Summer Workshop in Hebrew Manuscript Studies: Codicology, Palaeography, Art History, focusing on the medieval and early modern periods.

The Summer Workshop in Oxford proposes a comprehensive and specialised programme in which basic yet in-depth methodological introduction and research guidance will be provided to the fields of Hebrew Manuscript Studies mentioned above, as well as to history of the book and collections, art history, conservation and digital palaeography. **The workshop will be divided into two parts, the first 6 days long and the second 4 days long. The first part will be devoted to methodological introduction as well as detailed examination of medieval manuscripts. The second part will be devoted to manuscripts in the age of print, i.e., in the early modern and modern periods. Applicants can attend both parts, or Part 1 only, but only alumni of our programme can apply to Part 2 only.** The workshop is organised in collaboration with the Bodleian Library, which will allow access to original manuscripts in situ for the teaching sessions. Lecturers will include Professor Judith Olszowy-Schlanger, Professor Sarit Shalev-Eyni, Dr Agata Paluch and Dr César Merchán-Hamann.

A limited number of partial bursaries based on need is available. The bursaries will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers on the basis of applicants' need and their suitability to the Workshop. The bursaries are intended to go toward part of the costs of living, travel and other expenses, and participants are expected to pay for the majority of their expenses if not all. To apply, please see the following link: <https://www.ochjs.ac.uk/academic-seminars/hebrew-manuscript-studies-workshop/>.

Workshop Fee: £175 (Parts 1-2)

£125 (Part 1 only)

£100 (Part 2 only)

Emailed applications should reach the Oxford Centre by no later than 20 February 2026 at 12 noon UK Time. To apply, please send all materials in a single PDF to Academic Registrar Ms Madeleine Trivasse (registrar@ochjs.ac.uk).

Applicants will be informed on 27 February 2026 whether their application has been successful, and the Workshop Fee will be due for payment by 13 March 2026.

For more detailed information see: <https://www.ochjs.ac.uk/academic-seminars/hebrew-manuscript-studies-workshop/>.

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