

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS:
MGSDII Funds Participation in 34TH Annual Meeting of
*The Association for Israel Studies, UC Berkeley, June 24-27, 2018***

This summer, the Israel Studies Institute at UC Berkeley is hosting the 34th Annual Meeting of The Association for Israel Studies on **June 24-27, 2018**. The annual AIS conference is hosted each year by a different academic institution, in collaboration with the AIS Board. The theme of the conference is ***Israel at Seventy: Challenges and Opportunities***.

The State of Israel marks its seventieth anniversary in 2018. In its seven decades of independence, Israel has experienced social, political, economic, environmental, cultural, and religious upheavals and transformations, many of which continue to shape and redefine Israel today. Research and scholarship will be presented over three days by *multiple disciplines that constitute the humanities, the arts, and the social, political, and environmental sciences*.

We at the Murray Galinson San Diego-Israel Initiative commend UC Berkeley in its historic decision to be ready and willing to embrace this conference. We hope to have robust attendance from San Diego and are offering generous scholarships for faculty to attend.

If this is your first time to the AIS Conference, we will provide an **\$800 grant** toward registration and travel. If this is not your first AIS Conference, we will provide a grant for the conference registration.

Please submit an application by replying to this e-mail with your name, discipline and department.

Thank you

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