



Yeshiva University

INVITATION

To participate in the Seminars on East European Jewish History and Culture

For graduate and PhD students

The Centre for the Study of East European Jewish History at the Vilnius University Department of History together with The Emil A. and Jenny Fish Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies at Yeshiva University, Department of Jewish Studies at Wroclaw University, Department of Russian and Slavic Studies at Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Lviv Catholic University invites MA students currently working on their theses and PhD students to apply and participate in a new international online seminar in the field of East European Jewish history and culture. The seminar is open to papers on various topics, chronology, methodology, and approach in humanities, arts, and social sciences.

The idea to create a platform for MA and PhD students to present their research projects emerged after realizing that students engaged in Jewish studies at the graduate level often lack communication and collaboration with other young researchers, teachers and academics in the field. These seminars are established as a place for young researchers to present their research, discuss and share ideas, and raise different research questions with their colleagues.

The platform will serve as a sharing point of the vast collections of sources by two institutions: YIVO and the Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania. The experts at these institutions will give guidance to the seminar's participants, and help them with their ongoing research projects.

We invite MA and PhD students who are studying East European Jewish history, or other topics that include different aspects of Jewish life in the region, to participate in the seminars and present their research. Each participant will speak for twenty minutes online about their work. After each presentation the invited experts will give feedback to the presenters.

The online seminars will take place in two sessions in the autumn semester of the 2023 – 2024 academic year (starting from February 2024). **The applicants are encouraged to send their** presentation proposal (up to 500 words) and a short bio to the Centre for the Study of East European Jewish History by e-mail: jewishstudies@if.vu.lt. **The deadline for application for the spring semester is December 22nd.**

The call for applications for autumn semester for 2024/2025 academic year will be announced later in spring 2024.

Please disseminate this invitation to the colleagues who might be interested in participating in the seminars.