Call for Balfour Project Peace Advocacy Fellows 2022-23

We are excited to announce that applications are now open for the 2022-23 Peace Advocacy Fellowship programme. The Balfour Project intends to appoint fifteen Balfour Project Peace Advocacy Fellows for the academic year 2022-23. If you are a postgraduate or final year undergraduate student with an interest in Israel-Palestine, you are welcome to apply.

The selected fellows will be paid a bursary of £700 payable in two tranches at the midpoint and end of the academic year.

What will be expected of you as a Peace Advocacy Fellow?

As a fellow, you will be given the opportunity to make a tangible contribution to the work of the Balfour Project by campaigning for peace on the basis of the BP approach (see 5 below) within your academic institution and more generally.

Beyond attending the training programme (see 3 below), fellows are expected to work on an annual project in a small group with other fellows, based on their area of interest, expertise, and the charity’s needs. You will be guided and supported in the planning, development and delivery of your project. This will be an opportunity to gain first hand experience in project management, event planning and/or campaigning.

Timeline for appointment

Applications are open from Friday 5th August at 5pm. The application deadline is Friday 16th September at 5pm UK time.

Interviews via zoom will take place soon after and the Fellowship programme will begin by the middle of October.

Training programme

Fellows will be provided with teaching materials and reading recommendations on the Israel/Palestine issue and Britain’s historic responsibility. Fellows are expected to attend a programme of both knowledge and skills-based workshops. These will be held both online and in-person. The programme also includes a weekend workshop retreat in the Cotswolds.

The training programme will take place throughout the academic year. Timings of workshops will be fixed in coordination with the fellows.

The training will include topics, such as:

- The creation and termination of the Palestine Mandate in international law
- How does the British government make decisions on Middle-East issues?
- What can we learn from other conflicts, e.g. Northern Ireland?
- Writing skills
- Public speaking skills
- Experience being filmed for a video campaign
- Event planning

Visit the training programme page on our website to find out more about the 2022-23 training programme, including workshops and speakers’ bios.

The aims and objectives of the Balfour Project

The Balfour Project’s mission is to acknowledge Britain’s historic and continuing responsibilities to uphold equal rights for the Israeli and Palestinian peoples through popular education and advocacy. The Balfour Project hopes to achieve a much greater public awareness of Britain’s current and historic responsibilities in the Middle East, and in particular its role there in the first half of the twentieth century.

The Balfour Project accordingly invites the government and people of the United Kingdom

- to learn what the Balfour Declaration and Palestine mean for both Arabs and Jews,
- to acknowledge that while a homeland for the Jewish people has been achieved, the promise to protect the rights of the Palestinian people has not been fulfilled,
- and to urge effective action to promote justice, security and peace for Israelis and Palestinians.