



**Institute for Liberty and Responsibility's
2025 Prize
for Outstanding Papers on Israeli Politics**

The Institute for Liberty and Responsibility at the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy at Reichman University is pleased to announce a competition for outstanding papers in the field of society and democracy in Israel. The competition aims to promote student involvement in issues concerning the strength of Israeli democracy.

Allowed to Participate in the Competition

All students enrolled for an academic degree at Reichman University.

Prizes

First Prize: 5,000 NIS; **Second Prize:** 2,500 NIS; **Third Prize:** 1,000 NIS.

Assistance will be provided for publishing the paper on the [website of the Institute for Liberty and Responsibility](#) and on other platforms of the Institute.

The awards will be presented at the Liberty and Responsibility Institute's annual conference.

Instructions for Writing the Paper

The paper can be based on assignments submitted in courses or be an independent study written solely for the purpose of the award. You can submit a paper written in collaboration with another student.

The paper should be written according to the standard rules for academic writing and should not exceed 5,000 words, not including a bibliography (mandatory) and appendices (if applicable). The paper can be written in Hebrew or English.

Submission Guidelines

The deadline for submission is August 31st, 2025.

The paper should be submitted to the institute's email address libres@runi.ac.il and indicate in the title "Submission for the Institute for Liberty and Responsibility's Prize for Outstanding Papers." The submitter of the paper must ensure that it is received on time. Paper submitted after the deadline will not be considered by the award committee.

The paper should include the following information: student(s) full name, school at Reichman University, study program and year of study, phone number and email address.

Criteria for Selecting the Outstanding Papers

The award committee will consist of researchers at the Institute for Liberty and Responsibility and the selection will be made according to the following criteria:

1. Theoretical and empirical work on the chosen topic.
2. Originality and innovation in the theoretical argument, in the collection of data for its examination and their analysis.
3. Reference to the existing academic literature on the subject, using scientific articles about the subject in general and Israel in particular, alongside the use of relevant information from research institutes and various reviews about political participation in Israel.
4. Presentation of the research method and research tools.
5. Compliance with the academic writing requirements, the content and structure as presented in this Call.
6. A student who has been convicted in a disciplinary hearing will not be able to win an award.