



Position: J Street Israel Organizer
Reports to: J Street Israel Director
Location: Tel Aviv, Israel
Start Date: June 17th 2018 (and also flexible)

Position

J Street is looking to bring on board an organizer for its work in Israel and the Palestinian territory, focused on the engagement of U.S. students through the development and implementation of educational programming in the region.

The J Street Israel Organizer will be an integral part of the J Street Israel team and also a direct conduit to J Street U (our campus movement), responsible mainly for finding and developing talented student leaders and owning the regional execution of educational programming in Israel and the Palestinian territory.

The ideal candidate will have qualities that lend themselves to success in each of those areas – i.e. strong instincts for finding and developing talented student leaders; creativity in pursuing effective recruitment tactics and imagination in creating educational programming about the occupation that will be interesting, moving and engaging to students; and an interest in building relationships and learning from Israeli and Palestinian partners on the ground.

Key Duties and Responsibilities

The J Street Israel Organizer is responsible for exposing American students to the conflict by administering day trips in to the border and within the Palestinian territory. Through these programs and other activities, the Organizer works to identify and cultivate the most talented student leaders who will join J Street U upon their return to the U.S. The Organizer will work with the J Street U team on the development of J Street U's national campaigns and initiatives. The Organizer will also work with the J Street Israel team to provide support for J Street work in the region.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Identify and build relationships with student leaders who will return to the United States and engage in J Street U chapters on campus. This includes:
 - Engaging with gap year and university study abroad programs
 - Running info sessions in Israel on J Street and J Street U
 - Investing in the development of a small number of student leaders, and connecting student leaders with J Street U organizers in the U.S.
 - Engagement with High School in Israel programs, etc. to connect with high school students who may eventually join J Street U

- Organize trips to expose students to political realities on the ground. This includes:
 - Coordinating trip logistics (i.e. buses, meals, etc.)
 - Recruiting student participants – primarily through developing relationships with organizations that facilitate student tours/ or that will work in partnership with ours
 - Designing educational programming
- Support a range of activities of the Israel team. This includes:
 - Back-office support with translations, composing emails and letters for general use
 - Supporting Israel Deputy Manager in organizing visits of Congressional and leadership delegations and individuals to the region
 - Supporting Israel Director in executing outreach strategy to Israeli and Palestinian key stakeholders in government, Knesset, media etc
- Develop and maintain relationships with “partner communities” in the J Street U Stop Demolitions, Build Peace campaign.
- Work with the rest of the J Street U staff and provide support from the region as requested.

Required/ Preferred Skills and Characteristics

- Proficiency in Hebrew; fluency in English, with solid writing and public speaking skills in English
- Highly responsible, able to work independently and attentive to details
- Relational skills: a deep curiosity about others, a desire to develop strong relationships with a diversity of people, appreciation of meeting and engaging new people on a regular basis
- Two years or more of campus, political, or community organizing experience, either as a student or professional (preferred)
- Problem solver: Ability to work well in moments of challenge and tension
- Relentless “go-getter” with a desire to work in an intensive, fast-paced political organization
- Good leadership skills; passion for grassroots organizing and political activism
- Some knowledge of history and politics as it relates to the Middle East, Israel, and the Arab-Israeli conflict
- Ability to be a team player, be relentless in professional self-improvement, and multitask/manage multiple time-critical projects
- At least a two year commitment to this position
- A strong understanding of and commitment to J Street and J Street U’s mission

Organization

J Street is the political home for pro-Israel, pro-peace Americans working for the future of Israel as the democratic homeland of the Jewish people. The organization believes that preserving Israel’s Jewish and democratic character depends on achieving a two-state solution, resulting in a Palestinian state living alongside Israel in peace and security.

Launched in 2008 with four staff and a limited budget, J Street is now a \$9 million organization with a national staff of more than 60. The organization is headquartered in Washington, DC, employing staff in 8 cities including Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Denver and Tel Aviv.

J Street focuses its work in three main areas: (1) Advocating and demonstrating support for pro-Israel, pro-peace policies in Congress, the media and the Jewish community; (2) Endorsing and raising money for federal candidates who share J Street's agenda; and (3) Educating the public and raising awareness of the Israeli Palestinian conflict and the two-state solution.

Compensation and Hours

Salary for this full-time position will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Benefits include paid vacation and sick leave, paid time off on many national and Jewish holidays, company-paid pension and life insurance, and a flexible spending account.

To Apply for the Position

Interested candidates should submit, via email, a cover letter, resume and three references to resumes@jstreet.org and indicate "Israel Organizer" in the subject line. Please indicate which cities you would like to be considered for in your application. Due to the high volume of applications, only candidates receiving an interview will receive a follow-up message.

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