



KARAITE JEWISH UNIVERSITY

APPLICATION FORM FOR COURSE IN KARAITE JEWISH STUDIES

MARRIED INDIVIDUALS NEED TO FILL OUT SEPARATE APPLICATION FORMS.

Please attach
standard colour
passport photo
must include
head & shoulders

BEFORE FILLING OUT THIS APPLICATION, PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE COURSE INFORMATION BOOKLET AND APPLICATION CHECK LIST, INCLUDING THE CANDIDATE AFFIRMATION AT THE END OF THE APPLICATION. BOTH THE APPLICATION AND THE CANDIDATE AFFIRMATION MUST BE SIGNED. FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION AS INDICATED WILL SERIOUSLY DELAY THE PROCESSING OF YOUR APPLICATION. PLEASE COMPLETE FORM ELECTRONICALLY FOR LEGIBILITY.

Section A Personal Details

1. Surname or Family name:

2. First name/s:

3. Hebrew Name if any:

4. Please report all name changes, including maiden name of married female or other legal or court ordered name changes:

5. Date of Birth: **D/** **M/** **Y/**

6. Place of Birth:

7. Gender: ☐ **Male** ☐ **Female**

8. Address:

9. Mailing address (if different from above):

10. Contact phone number		Home:	
		Work:	
		Mobile:	
11. Preferred Email addresses:			
12. Nationality:			
13. Marital Status	☐ Married	☐ Divorced	☐ Separated
	☐ Widowed	☐ Single	Other:
14. Living Situation: please indicate whether you are:			
☐ living alone, ☐ living with roommate/s, ☐ living with family, ☐ in a relationship living with that partner, ☐ in a relationship, but not living with that partner			
Use this space to further explain your living situation, if needed.			
15. Native Language (If other than English):			
16. Occupation or Profession:			
17. If male, are you circumcised?			
18. Do you have any tattoos or religious symbols etched into your skin?			
19. PARTNER'S DETAILS			
Surname or Family name:			
First name/s:			
Hebrew Name:			
If married female, indicate maiden name:			
Date of Birth	D/	M/	Y/
Gender	☐ Male	☐ Female	
Nationality:			
Native Language (If other than English):			
Occupation or Profession:			
If male, is he circumcised?			
Do they have any tattoos or religious symbols etched into their skin?			
20. PLEASE LIST YOUR AND/OR YOUR PARTNER'S CHILDREN, IF ANY			

Birth Name/Hebrew Name:	Date of Birth D/M/Y	Gender	If male: circumcised?	With whom does the child live?
1.				
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6.				
21. Do you have any specific learning, physical, or communication disability that would make accessing the course difficult? (you must provide a doctor's letter describing your disability and limitations)				

Section B

Religious Background

GENERAL:

1. What religious group/s have you identified yourself with in the past?

2. What religious group/s did your parents/guardians identify with?

3. Have you ever considered converting to any other religious group/s? If yes, please specify.

4. Do you have your own website that reflects your religious beliefs?

5. Is there anyone in your family's background who referred to themselves as a Karaite?

6. Do you believe that YHWH is the one and only God, Who has no form, companion, partner, or offspring? If not sure, please explain.

7. Do you believe in any form of polytheism, pantheism, dualism, or trinitarianism? If yes, please explain.

8. Do you believe in the Tanakh in its entirety as the sole religious authority to the exclusion of all other writings? Clarification: Tanakh, also called "Mikra" or "Kara" refers to what Christians erroneously call the "Old Testament", in Hebrew: Genesis through Chronicles (in the English order from Genesis through Malachi) **If not sure, please explain.**

9. Do you believe that any of the books of the Tanakh are not divinely authored and/or inspired? If yes, please specify.

10. Do you believe in the Documentary Hypothesis (source criticism)? Clarification: The Documentary Hypothesis states that the Tora is composed of several documents written several centuries apart from each other which were then combined by an editor/redactor.

11. Do you believe in the Kabbala or any other esoteric teachings?

12. Do you believe in any prophet outside of the Tanakh? If yes, please explain.

13. Do you believe Jesus/Yesu/Yeshua/Yahshua etc. is a god/messiah/prophet/righteous teacher, other? If yes, please explain.

14. Do you believe that Mohammad was a prophet of any kind?

15. Do you aspire of living in Israel?

16. Do you work with any non-kosher foods?

17. From what you know about Karaite Judaism, are there any issues that you disagree with?

18. What attracts you to Karaite Judaism?

SPECIFICALLY FOR JEWS:

19. Do you regard yourself as Jewish by birth?

20. If you regard yourself as Jewish by birth, are you patrilineal (father's father's etc), matrilineal (mother's mother's etc), or both?

21. Are you a convert to Judaism? If so by which branch/denomination

22. What branch/s of Judaism have you identified yourself with in the past?

23. Do you desire to affiliate to Karaite Judaism?

SPECIFICALLY FOR GENTILES:

24. Do you wish to take this course in order to convert to Karaite Judaism?

25. If applicable, why do you desire to convert through Karaite Judaism rather than Rabbanite Judaism?

26. Are you currently in the process of converting to another branch of Judaism? If yes, please specify.

27. If you seek conversion do you intend to adhere to the commandants of the Tōrā and lead an observant life?

Section C Educational Background

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOUR GENERAL EDUCATION

Name of high school:	Year completed:	Did you graduate? ☐ Yes ☐ No
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Name of college:	Year completed:	Did you graduate? ☐ Yes ☐ No
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Please tell us about your formal Jewish education, if any:

Please tell us anything else that you feel is important to disclose:

I understand that there is a non-refundable processing fee of 50.00 CHF (Swiss Francs) per application. The course in Karaite Jewish Studies is primarily designed to appeal to; Karaite Jews who want to learn more about their Karaite Judaism, Jews who desire to affiliate to Karaite Judaism, Gentiles who are seeking conversion to Karaite Judaism, and Jews and Gentiles who seek knowledge. KJU makes no representation that any candidate will be accepted by the admissions committee. KJU makes no representation that a Karaite Beth Din will accept its graduates as converts or affiliates to Karaite Judaism.

Applicant's Signature:

Date:

Candidate Affirmation

Read Carefully & Sign

1. Karaite Jewish University does not accept or receive email nor conduct commercial transactions on the Shabbath.
2. I am aware that giving false information is a violation of the Tora and will invalidate my registration in the course. I hereby affirm that all the details on this form are correct.
3. I accept the obligation to fulfil all the University's regulations extant today and those that will be enacted during my studies.
4. I am aware that as a student, I may be required to purchase textbooks.
5. I hereby affirm that I understand that tuition for the course in *Karaite Jewish Studies* is 2,500.00 (CHF or Swiss Francs) per individual. The course consists of six modules at CHF 375.00 per module and an essay at CHF 250.00, totalling CHF 2,500.00. Tuition Fees are to be paid by bank transfer. You will be billed in Swiss Francs. In signing their application forms, students have agreed to their allotted tuition. This amount must be received and cleared by one of the University's banking institutions no later than 30 days after the first class except in the unusual case where a special arrangement has been made with the Treasurer. It is the responsibility of each student to contact the Treasurer before any irregularity might occur regarding his or her account. If a student in such a case has not notified the Treasurer and arrangements have not been made in advance, all student privileges will be suspended until the account is rectified. Payment of the CHF 50.00 application fee or fees (in the case of a couple) will be billed after the review and approval of application by KJU staff. If I cannot afford the tuition, it is my responsibility to inform the Treasurer before the commencement of the course. Also, it is non-refundable tuition once payment is made.
6. I am also aware that admission into the course does not guarantee, suggest, or imply that I will be permitted to convert or affiliate to Karaite Judaism. Conversion or affiliation is based upon Theological and Religious considerations independent of successful course completion. Conversion or affiliation to Karaite Judaism is the prerogative of the various Karaite communities, for example the Karaite Jews of America and the Karaite Jews of Europe.
7. **Copyright Agreement:** Karaite Jewish University will be providing me with a number of lectures, reading material, videos, and other course material. These are only for my personal use and may not be redistributed, posted on the Internet, or otherwise used by any student commercially.
8. I understand that if my living situation changes, I will inform the university as soon as possible.
9. All disputes arising out of or in connection with the present contract, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ALL CLAIMS ARISING IN TORT, NEGLIGENCE OR QUASI-CONTRACT LAW, shall be finally settled under the Rules of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce by THREE arbitrators appointed in accordance with the said Rules. The place of the arbitration and the law applicable to the merits SHALL BE ZURICH, SWITZERLAND, AND SWISS LAW. The language of the arbitration shall be German.

No award or procedural order made in the arbitration shall be published.

EACH PARTY TO THE ARBITRATION AGREES THAT ARTICLE 19 OF THE ICC SWISS ARBITRATION RULES SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTED WITH THE RULES OF DISCOVERY OF THE INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION, ADOPTED BY A RESOLUTION OF THE IBA COUNCIL 29 MAY 2010 WHICH ARE AVAILABLE AT:

[HTTPS://WWW.IBANET.ORG/DOCUMENT/DEFAULT.ASPX?DOCUMENTUID=68336C49-4106-46BF-A1C6-A8F0880444DC](https://www.ibanet.org/Document/Default.aspx?DocumentUID=68336C49-4106-46BF-A1C6-A8F0880444DC)

10. Disability Accommodations: The KJU is a small private religious, limited liability company that has neither the staff nor the resources to accommodate all disabilities. Before we can consider accommodation for any disability, we must have a doctor's summary letter of your condition and what accommodation you require before being accepted into the course. We present an online course that requires extended periods of time in front of a computer screen. Should this cause you difficulty to attend and complete assignments, we recommend that you provide for a personal accommodation that does not change the character of the course. The KJU is a Swiss private independent religious school, and therefore is not bound by Title III of the ADA.

I understand that if I require special software or equipment to access the course due to the nature of my disability, that I will be responsible for purchasing and/or obtaining that software and equipment. (Please note: The KJU is willing to facilitate to the needs of your disability to the best of its abilities, i.e., being given more time to finish assignments in order to complete the course). However, the facilitation cannot result in the penalisation of fellow students.

11. By submitting my application, I certify that I have thoroughly read, considered, understood, and agreed to abide by the requirements of the course including all its financial and religious commitments and that I have read and understood the course information contained in this packet

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Applicant's Signature