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Our new section is designed to provide each issue with different and unique view on the academic world, which many of us belong to. In this issue we focus on the phenomenal leap in Israel Studies in the United States in recent years. We turned to two scholars, Dr. Mitchell Bard and Dr. Miriam Shenkar, to write on the subject from their particular perspectives. Their essays appear in English at the end of the issue.

Finally, we wish to thank all the research students who submitted their papers, some of which appear in this issue. *Israelis* accepts submissions in Hebrew and English from research students in all academic institutes, both in Israel and abroad, that explore topics related to the State of Israel and the Zionist Movement.

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