



Senior Director, Knowledge, Ideas, and Learning

The Jewish Education Project
New York, NY

Opportunity for Impact

The Jewish Education Project is devoted to ensuring that Jewish education is in tune with the forces that impact our world and our communities in a changing environment. We believe that, in a rapidly changing world, Jewish education must continually evolve to meet the needs of the Jewish community today and tomorrow. At The Jewish Education Project, we seek to bring the most creative solutions to a field that must continue to remain relevant and meaningful to Jews of all ages. The power of harnessing knowledge and curating ideas to inspire the various stakeholders who influence Jewish education is a vital component of this work.

We are committed to being at the forefront of ensuring that Jewish education remains relevant and meaningful in the lives of Jewish youth and their families today and tomorrow. For more information about The Jewish Education Project, please visit www.jewishedproject.org.

Position Overview

We are seeking a dynamic and inspiring full-time **Senior Director, Knowledge, Ideas, and Learning** to drive thinking and ideas in education so that Jewish education continually evolves to meet the changing needs of the Jewish community. The successful candidate will serve on the senior leadership team and should have a strong track-record of demonstrating how his/her/their ideas, and ability to harness the ideas of others, has inspired Jewish educators and the field of Jewish education.

Reporting to the Chief Program Officer and working closely with the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Advancement Officer, s/he/they will play a key role in channeling the power of bold ideas and brave conversations to oversee cutting-edge research, challenge our status quo, and transform Jewish education as we emerge from the pandemic.

Key Responsibilities

We are searching for a thought leader who will lead the charge, internally and externally, by:

- Bringing a deep commitment and original thinking about Jewish education.
- Inspiring others to bring the latest research and knowledge to impact and influence Jewish education, including welcoming and integrating the diversity of our Jewish community.
- Being a high-level thinker and disseminator of knowledge for the agency and by sharing forward-thinking resources and ideas through multiple and diverse outlets.
- Building and launching a Jewish Futures Fellowship program, comprised of a team of 3-5 fellows who think deeply about the bigger issues facing Jewish education.
- Being the internal engine for promoting ideation and creative thinking within our organization.
- Leading convenings designed to engage external thought partners about topics we are exploring and/or of significant communal importance.
- Conceiving and developing the annual Jewish Futures Conference that highlights a major issue or trend that we believe will significantly impact the field of Jewish education.
- Cultivating relationships with lay leaders and donors that broaden and deepen their support of the agency.
- Developing a strong social media presence that represents the agency in a frequent and influential manner.

Experience, Qualifications, and Competencies

- 10 plus years of experience and background working with diverse areas of Jewish education.
- Candidates with diverse racial, cultural, educational, and experiential backgrounds are urged to apply.
- Self-starter and independent thinker with a highly respectful and collaborative demeanor.
- Deep sociological understanding of the richness and diversity of the Jewish population of today
- Highly knowledgeable in educational theory, pedagogy, and the Jewish wisdom, values, and tradition that can inform Jewish education.
- A strong, clear, persuasive, and passionate communicator, both written and oral.
- Commitment to The Jewish Education Project's mission.
- Ability to lead and partner with integrity and inspiration; flexibility and openness to working with professional and volunteer community leaders.
- Capable of teaching others to expand the circle of skill; creativity and ability to push and inspire others to think beyond the traditional educational landscape to use new concepts and strategies.
- An empathic and compassionate influencer.
- Master's required; Doctorate/Ordination preferred.

What We Offer

- Competitive salary in the range of \$150,000 - \$185,000 depending on experience.
- Three weeks paid time off in year 1; increasing incrementally on a set schedule.
- Comprehensive health insurance.
- 401k plan.
- Commuter benefits.
- Early close on Fridays for Shabbat and closed for most Jewish holidays.
- Shortened summer hours.
- A positive work environment with exposure to great learning opportunities and the chance to work with some of the top professionals in the field of Jewish Education.

How to Apply

- Please submit resume and cover letter to careers@JewishEdProject.org. Please include the job title in the email subject line.
- The Jewish Education Project is an equal opportunity employer.

Location: *Remote until October 4, 2021* / 520 Eighth Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10018

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