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Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Religious Studies
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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

The Robert F. and Patricia R. Weis Professor of Religious Studies in Classical Judaica, Yale University, 2005 – present (Professor, 2002-2005; Associate Professor, 1999-2002; Assistant Professor, 1996-1999)

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated Scholar, Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization, Cardozo Law School, 2009-

Affiliated Fellow, The Tikvah Center for Law and Jewish Civilization, New York University, 2009-

PAST EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Hebrew Studies (Princeton University), 1993-1996

Instructor (Yale University), spring 1993.

Teaching Assistant and Instructor (UC Berkeley), 1989 and 1991

EDUCATION

Ph.D.: University of California, Berkeley. Spring, 1993. Talmudic and Judaic Studies (Dept. of Near Eastern Studies). Exchange student at **Yale University**, 1992.

M.A.: University of California, Berkeley. December, 1988. Awarded **Distinction**. Exchange student at the **Hebrew University** in Jerusalem, 1987-88.

B.A.: Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. March, 1984. The Study of Religions. **Summa Cum Laude**.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Rabbinic and Talmudic Studies. History and Literature of Judaism in Late Antiquity. Legal Theory.

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Hebrew Bible. Midrash. Medieval Jewish Exegesis.

Hebrew and Aramaic Languages.

REFERENCES

Robert Alter, Daniel Boyarin, Shaye J. D. Cohen, Steven Fraade, Isaiah Gafni, Judith Hauptman, Martin Jaffee, Richard Kalmin, Jacob Milgrom, Peter Schäfer.

LANGUAGES

Ancient: Biblical Hebrew. Biblical and Talmudic Aramaic. Some Koine Greek.
Modern: Modern Hebrew. French. German (reading). Some Persian.

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Supplemental Fellowship from The Mellon Foundation, 2009
Appointed Affiliate Fellow of the Tikvah Center for Law & Jewish Civilization, NYU, 2009-10
Appointed Affiliate Scholar of the Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization, Cardozo Law School, 2009-
Elected to the American Academy of Jewish Research, June, 2008
Sidonie Miskimin Clauss Prize for Teaching Excellence in the Humanities, 2005
Mellon New Directions Fellowship, awarded 2003 for use in 2005-06
Finalist for 2003 National Jewish Book Award in Scholarship
The Salo Baron Prize for a first book in Jewish Thought and Literature, (AAJR, 1999)
Hilles Publication Grant, 2001
Lucius Littauer Foundation Publication Grant, 2001
Morse Research Fellowship, Yale University, 1998-1999 academic year

Graduate:

U.C. Chancellor's Dissertation Year Fellowship, 1992-93
Charlotte Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 1991-92
Taubman Fellowship for Talmudic Studies, 1990-91
Benjamin Goor Prize for essay in Jewish Studies (three times: 1989, 1990, 1991)

Undergraduate:

Phi Beta Kappa
John Harvard Honorary Scholarship
Elizabeth Cary Agassiz Scholar award

BOOKS

Between the Babylonian and Palestinian Talmuds, Oxford University Press, 1997. Awarded the **Salo Baron Prize for a first book in Jewish Thought and Literature**, by the American Academy for Jewish Research, 1999.

Gentile Impurities and Jewish Identities: Intermarriage and Conversion from the Bible to the Talmud, Oxford University Press, 2002. Finalist for the 2003 National Jewish Book Award in Scholarship.

The Emergence of Judaism: Classical Traditions in Contemporary Perspectives. Fortress Press, 2010.

In Progress: *What's so Divine About Divine Law? Ancient Perspectives*.

ON-LINE COURSES

Introduction to the Hebrew Bible. 24 lecture Yale College course with supplemental materials.
<http://oyc.yale.edu/religious-studies>

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Theoretical Pluralism in the Talmud: A Response to Richard Hidary,” in *Dine Yisrael: Studies in Halakhah and Jewish Law* 25 (2010).
- “Legal Realism and Sectarian Self-Fashioning in Jewish Antiquity” forthcoming in *Sects and Sectarianism in Jewish History*, University College London (2010).
- “Abrogation of Torah Law” entry for *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, 2009.
- “Legal Truth, Right Answers and Best Answers: Dworkin and the Rabbis” in *Dine Yisrael: Studies in Halakhah and Jewish Law* 25 (2008) 73-121.
- “What is (the) Mishnah? Concluding Observations” in *Association for Jewish Studies Review* 32 (2008) 2:291-97.
- Response to John Witte’s “More than a Mere Contract” posted to the Religion & Culture Web Forum of the Martin Marty Center for the Advanced Study of Religion, 2008.
- “Palestinian Talmud” -- entry for *The Dictionary of Early Judaism*, ed. John J. Collins and Daniel C. Harlow. Eerdmans Publishing. Forthcoming, 2008.
- “The “Other” in Rabbinic Literature” in *The Cambridge Companion to the Talmud and Rabbinic Literature*, ed. Martin Jaffee and Charlotte Fonrobert (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 2007.
- “Rabbinic Contestations of Authority.” *Cardozo Law Review* 28:1 (2006) 123-141. *Text, Tradition, and Reason in Comparative Perspective*, ed. Suzanne Last Stone and Adam Seligmann.
- “Purity and Impurity, Ritual.” *Encyclopedia Judaica*, ed. M. Berenbaum and F. Skolnik vol 16, 2nd edition (Detroit 2006) pp. 746-56.
- “Golden Calf Stories: The Relationship of Ex 32 and Deuteronomy 9-10” in *The Idea of Biblical Interpretation*, ed. Hindy Najman and Judith H. Newman (Leiden: Brill, 2004) 45-94.
- “Authority and Anxiety in the Talmuds: Legal Fictions” in *Jewish Religious Leadership: Images and Reality*. (New York; JTSA).
- "Genealogy, Illegitimacy, and Personal Status: The Yerushalmi in Comparative Perspective." *The Talmud Yerushalmi and Graeco-Roman Culture, III* ed. P. Schäfer (Tubingen: J.C.B.Mohr, 2003) 73-90.
- “Do Converts to Judaism Require Purification? M. Pes 8:8 -- An Interpretative Crux Solved.” *Jewish Studies Quarterly*, 9 (2002) 4: 327-352
- “Palestinian Rabbinic Attitudes to Intermarriage in Historical and Cultural Context.” In *Jewish Culture and Society under the Christian Roman Empire*. Ed. Seth Schwartz and Richard Kalmin. (Leuven: Peeters, 2003) 11-64.
- "Halakhah le-Moshe mi-Sinai in Rabbinic Sources: A Methodological Case Study." *The Synoptic Problem in Rabbinic Literature*, ed. Shaye J. D. Cohen (Providence, RI: Brown Judaic Studies). 2000:61-118.
- "Parallelism and Inversion in Lev 21:1b-15" in *Leviticus 17-22*, by Jacob Milgrom. The Anchor Bible. (New York: Doubleday). 2000:1834-1836.
- "Judeophobia: Peter Schäfer on the Origins of Anti-Semitism." *Jewish Studies Quarterly*, 6 (1999) 3:261-273.
- "Intermarriage and Impurity in Ancient Jewish Sources." *Harvard Theological Review* 92:1 (1999) 3-36.
- "The Abrogation of Torah Law: Rabbinic Taqqanah and Praetorian Edict." *The Talmud Yerushalmi and Graeco-Roman Culture*, ed. P. Schäfer (Tubingen: J.C.B.Mohr). 1998:643-674.
- "Displaced Self-Perceptions: The Deployment of *Minim* and Romans in Bavli Sanhedrin 90b-91a." *Religious and Ethnic Communities in Later Roman Palestine*. Ed. Hayim Lapin. 1998:249-289.
- "Response to Jacob Neusner." *Journal for the Study of Judaism*, 27/3 (1996) 324-333.
- "Amoraic Interpretation and Halakhic Development: The Case of the Prohibited Basilica." *Journal for the Study of Judaism*, 26/2 (1995) 156-168.

- "The Midrashic Career of the Confession of Judah (Genesis xxxviii 26), Part I: The Extra-Canonical Texts, Targums and Other Versions." *Vetus Testamentum* 45/1 (1995) 62-81.
- "The Midrashic Career of the Confession of Judah (Genesis xxxviii 26), Part II: The Rabbinic Midrashim." *Vetus Testamentum* 45/2 (1995) 174-187.
- Review Essay on David Kraemer's *The Mind of the Talmud*. *JAGNES* (Journal of the Assoc. of Grad. Near East. Stud.), Fall 1991:44-48.
- "Word Order in Biblical Aramaic." *JAGNES* Fall 1990:2-12.

REVIEWS AND REVIEW ESSAYS

2009. Judith Hauptman's *Rereading the Mishnah*. Forthcoming in *Zion* (in Hebrew).
2001. Hyam Maccoby's *Ritual and Morality: The Ritual Purity System and its Place in Judaism*. Forthcoming in *The Jewish Quarterly Review*.
2001. Charlotte Fonrobert's *Menstrual Purity: Rabbinic and Christian Reconstruction of Biblical Gender*. *Journal of the History of Sexuality*.
2001. Moshe Benovitz' *Kol Nidre: Studies in the Development of Rabbinic Votive Institutions*. Forthcoming in *The Jewish Quarterly Review*.
2001. Jeffrey Rubenstein's *Talmudic Stories*. *HaDoar* 80, 4:18-20 (in Hebrew)
2000. Richard Kalmin's *The Sage in Jewish Society of Late Antiquity*. *Journal of Biblical Literature*.
1998. Hayim Lapin's *Early Rabbinic Civil Law and the Social History of Roman Galilee: A Study of Mishnah Tractate Baba' Mesi'a'*. *The Jewish Quarterly Review* LXXXIX, 1-2 pp. 199-204.
1997. Richard Kalmin's *Sages, Stories, Authors and Editors in Rabbinic Babylonia*. *The Jewish Quarterly Review* LXXXVII, 3-4, pp. 406-411.
1996. Jeffrey Rubenstein's *The History of Sukkot in the Second Temple and Rabbinic Periods*. *Journal of Biblical Literature* on-line.
1995. Angel Sáenz-Badillos' *A History of the Hebrew Language*. *Shofar* 13, 3: pp. 101-103.
1991. David Kraemer's *The Mind of the Talmud*. *JAGNES*, Fall, pp. 44-48.
- Several book notes for *Religious Studies Review*.
- Contributor to the *Oxford Dictionary of Judaism* (New York: Oxford University Press).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, COLLOQUIA and ACADEMIC LECTURES

- "Canon and the Voice(s) of Authority." The Drisha Institute for Jewish Education in New York City, March, 2010
- "Words and Law: From the Hebrew Bible." Seminar Presentation, Princeton University, February, 2010.
- "Legal Empiricism and the Fashioning of Sectarianism in Jewish Antiquity." Duke University, January, 2010.
- "Methodological Issues in the Interdisciplinary Study of Jewish Law." Graduate Fellows Seminar, Cardozo Law School, April 2009, November 2009, Fall 2010.
- Respondent to two papers presented on the topic "Rabbis and Others in Conversation." Conference held at Princeton University, May 2009.
- "We're no Angels: Aspirationalism in Rabbinic Literature," invited paper for the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in Rome, 2009.
- "Legal Empiricism and Sectarian Self-Fashioning in Jewish Antiquity." Conference on Sects and Sectarianism in Jewish History, University College London, June, 2008.
- "What is Mishnah?" **SBL** annual conference, 2006.
- "Rabbinic Contestations of Authority." Symposium on Text, Tradition, and Reason in Comparative Perspective sponsored by the Program in Jewish Law and Interdisciplinary Studies of Cardozo School of Law, Fall 2004.

- “Children’s Obligations towards Parents in the Bible and Talmud.” Perspectives on Aging Working Group, Yale University, May 2004.
- “Hyam Maccoby on Purity.” Association for Jewish Studies (**AJS**) annual conference, 2003.
- “The Impact of Editorial Strategies on Evolving Legal Collections.” Respondent to three scholarly papers. **AJS** annual conference, 2001
- “Authority and Anxiety in the Talmuds.” Conference on Jewish Religious Leadership: Image and Reality. Jewish Theological Seminary, Fall 2001.
- "B. Yev 87b-90b: The Bavli's re-presentation of rabbinic authority." **AJS** annual conference, 2000 Respondent. My second book was reviewed in a session devoted to current books in the field. Society for Biblical Literature (**SBL**) annual meeting, 2000.
- "Genealogy, Illegitimacy, and Personal Status: The Yerushalmi in Comparative Perspective." Conference on the Talmud Yerushalmi and Graeco-Roman Culture. Princeton University, November 2000.
- "Competing Calumnies: Contextualizing the Rabbinic Prohibition of Intermarriage." Rabbinics Colloquium Series. Washington University. March, 2000.
- "Palestinian Rabbinic Attitudes to Intermarriage in Historical and Cultural Context" Conference on Jewish Culture and Society under Christian Rome. Jewish Theological Seminary, NY, Mar 2000.
- "Corpse Impurity and the Noahide Covenant in the Theology of H." **AJS** annual meeting, 1999.
- "Do Converts to Judaism Require Purification? M. Pes 8:8 -- an Interpretive Crux Solved." **SBL** annual meeting, 1999.
- "Corpse Impurity and Gentiles: The Rabbinic Evidence." Conference on Rabbinic Thought. The Melton Center of the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel. May, 1999.
- "*Judeophobia*: Peter Schäfer on the Origins of Anti-Semitism." **AJS** annual meeting, 1998.
- "Intermarriage and Impurity in Ancient Jewish Sources." Rutgers University, May 1998.
- "*Halakhah le-Moshe Mi-Sinai*: A Methodological Case Study." Conference on the Synoptic Problem in Rabbinic Literature, Brown University. March 1998.
- "Intermarriage and Impurity: From Bible to Talmud." **AJS** annual conference, 1996.
- "Legal Innovation in the Yerushalmi." Conference on the Yerushalmi in its Greco-Roman Context. Institut für Judaistik, Berlin. October, 1996.
- "The Impurity of Gentiles in Biblical and Post-Biblical Jewish Writings." Invited seminar paper, Biblical Law Section, **SBL** annual meeting, 1995.
- "Reading Readings: History and Hermeneutics in Talmudic Literature." Department of Near Eastern Studies, Harvard University, spring 1994.
- "From Innovation to Exegesis: Revisionist Rabbinic Accounts of the *Taqanot* of Rabban Yohanan ben Zakkai." **AJS** annual conference, 1993.
- "Exegetical Aberrations and Cultural Reconstruction." **SBL** annual meeting, 1993.
- "Reading in Rabbinic Culture." SMU and University of Tennessee, 1993.
- "Libation Wine and the Israelite Midwife in the Yerushalmi and the Bavli." NYU Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, 1992.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (Yale University and Princeton University)

- Divine Law in Historical Perspective. Franke undergraduate seminar, 2008; Freshman seminar, 2010.
- Law and Ancient Judaism. Graduate seminar.
- Rabbinics Research Seminar. For graduate students in Ancient Judaism.
- Required Ancient Judaism Seminar. For students in NT and Ancient Christianity.
- The Required Second Temple Judaism Seminar.
- Critical Methods in the Study of Talmud. Graduate Seminar.
- Biblical Hebrew for Students of Modern Hebrew. Advanced Seminar.
- Introduction to the Talmud in Translation. Seminar.
- Topics in Bible and Midrash. History of Interpretation of Ex 32. Text Seminar.

Biblical Hermeneutics: Gentile Impurity in Jewish Tradition. Seminar.
Talmud Seminar: Sources of Jewish Law and Rabbinic Authority. Text Seminar.
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible. Lecture Course.
Judaism: Continuity and Change. Lecture Course.
Introduction to the Ancient Near East. Lecture Course.
Modern Hebrew.

ADULT EDUCATION AND SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES

The Golden Calf Story and its Midrashic Development. Jewish Theological Seminary, Summer School course, 2001.
Introduction to the Talmud. Princeton Jewish Center, Adult Education class. 1993
The Hearts and Minds of the Rabbis. Marin Jewish Community Center, Adult Education Class. 1991.

PUBLIC LECTURES

“God’s Critics: Ancient Perspectives on Morality and Biblical Law.” The Thomas More Society at Yale University, April, 2010.
“We’re No Angels: Aspirationalism in Rabbinic Literature.” Class for the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven’s *Taste of Honey* weekend, January, 2010.
“Promises, Promises.” Congregation of B’nai Jacob, Woodbridge, CT, February 2009.
“Of law and Truth: Talmudic Perspectives.” Series of three talks delivered as Scholar in Residence for the Baltimore and Washington Board of Rabbis’ *Yom Iyyun* (Day of Study), May, 2008
“Judah the Patriarch – Villian or Hero? The Midrashic Treatment of Gen 38.” Class for the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven’s *Taste of Honey* weekend, January, 2008.
“Why Should Temple be Spelled with a ‘W’?” Yale Parents Weekend, October 2006.
“The Talmudic Martin Guerre OR Death of a Legal Fiction.” Presentation to the Fellows of the Whitney Humanities Center. Yale University. November 2005. Also presented to the Fellows of Silliman College. November 2005.
“Righteousness for Nothing: The Biblical Book of Job.” Parents weekend lecture. October 2005. Series of two lectures as Scholar-in-Residence, Temple Emanuel-El, Orange, CT. April 2005
Series of three lectures as Scholar-in-Residence, The Egalitarian Minyan of Rogers Park., Chicago, IL. February 2005.
“Is it Ever Enough: Children’s Obligations towards Parents in the Bible and Talmud.” Taste of Honey Community Education Program, Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, CT. January 2005.
“Abrogating Torah Law? The Talmuds Compared.” Day of Study, New Haven Area Rabbis, March 2004.
“Realizing the Promise: The Legacy of Sinai.” Series of three lectures as Scholar-in Residence for the Town and Village Conservative Synagogue, Manhattan. May 16-17, 2002
“Innovation in Jewish Law: The Bible in Mishnaic and Talmudic Times.” The Charles B. and Irene B. Jacobs Lecture for the Center for Judaic Studies. University of Hartford. September, 2000.
“The Torah is not in Heaven:’ Tradition and Change.” The Matthew Eisenfeld (Yale, '93) Memorial Lecture. Temple Beth-El, Hartford, CT. May, 1999.
“Law as Theology: The Case of Niddah.” Connecticut Regional Rabbinical Assembly. June, 1997.
“Divergent Attitudes to Menstruation: Ancient Voices.” National Jewish Women's Conference, 1997.
“The Moses of Midrash.” Princeton Jewish Center, Lecture Series. Spring, 1995.
“The Torah is not in Heaven:’ Tradition and Change.” B'nai Brith Continuing Education. Fall, 1994.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Advisory Board, *Journal of Ancient Judaism and Supplement*, 2011-present
 Editor (Rabbinics section), *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, 2011-present
 Editorial Board, *Compendia Rerum Iudaicarum ad Novum Testamentum*, 2010-present
 External Review Committee for Religious Studies Department, Emory University, 2009
 Nominations Committee, Association for Jewish Studies, 2007 and 2009
 External Review Committee for University of Maryland, College Park, Jewish Studies Program, 2004
 Advisory Board, *Jewish Studies Quarterly*, Mohr Siebeck (beginning fall 2003)
 External Review Committee for Yeshiva University, Talmudic Studies Doctoral Program. 2000-01
 Editorial Board Member, Brown Judaic Studies (peer-reviewed monograph series)
 Board Member, Association for Jewish Studies. 2001- 2004
 Member: National Association of Professors of Hebrew, Association for Jewish Studies, Society of
 Biblical Literature, American Academy of Religion.
 Conference Program Planning Committee Member, Association for Jewish Studies. 1994-present
 Corresponding Fellow, Ingeborg Rennert Center for Jerusalem Studies, Bar Ilan University, Israel.
 Yale Judaica Series of the Yale University Press, Advisory Board Member.
 NEH Summer Institute for Teachers of Modern Hebrew, Brandeis University. July, 1993.
 Referee for several journals including *Jewish Studies Quarterly* and *Jewish Quarterly Review*.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

Freshman Advisor, Silliman College, 2010-present
 Chair, Jehiel R. Elyachar Foundation Travel Fellowship Committee, 2010
 Member, Ganzfried Fellowship Committee, 2010
 Member of NEASC Committee, 2009
 Acting Chair, Program in Judaic Studies. Fall 2008
 Humanities Advisory/Tenure Appointments Committee. 2007
 Honorary Degrees Committee. 2006 - present
 Humanities Initiative Executive Committee. 2007- present
 Fellow, Whitney Humanities Center. 2004-2006
 Executive Committee, Whitney Humanities Center. 2005-2007
 Hebrew Advisory Committee. 2004-present
 Hebrew Language and Literature Search Committee. 2005, 2008-9, 2009-10
 Yale College Committee on Majors. 2003-2005 (acting chair, fall 2004)
 Search Committee for the Yale College Deanship. Spring 2004
 Departmental Admissions Committee. Spring 2004
 Yale College Committee (University committee on undergraduate education at Yale). 2001-03
 Harry S Truman Scholarship Committee. Chair, Fall 2001; Member, Fall 2000
 Search Committees (Islam position, fall 1999; Methods and Theory position, 2000-2001; Historical
 Theology position, 2003-2004)
 Director of Undergraduate Studies, Judaic Studies. Spring 1997; 1999-2002; spring 2004-2005; 2006-
 Director of Undergraduate Studies, Religious Studies. 2001-2002
 Undergraduate Committee, Department of Religious Studies. 1997-2000; Chair 2001-2
 Freshman Advisor, Silliman College. 1997-2003
 Advisory Committee for Library Policy. 1999-2001
 Judaic Studies Advisory Committee. 1996-present
 Architecture Jury. Spring, 1997