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EDUCATION

- 1977 Brown University, Ph.D. (Religious Studies, History of Religions: Judaism)
- 1974-75 Visiting Research Student, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel
- 1971 New York University, Bronx, New York, B.A. (Philosophy)
- 1971 Jewish Theological Seminary, Teachers' Institute_ Seminary College

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Arizona State University, Chair
Department of Religious Studies, 1998 -

Arizona State University, Interim Director
Jewish Studies Program, 2005-08

California State University, Northridge, Visiting Associate Professor
Department of Religious Studies, 1999-2000

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Los Angeles, Visiting Associate Professor
Rabbinical School, School of Education, 1999-

Arizona State University, Associate Professor,
Department of Religious Studies, 1983 - present.

University of California San Diego, Visiting Associate Professor,
Department of Religious Studies, 1986.

Arizona State University, Assistant Professor,
Department of Religious Studies, 1978 - 1983.

York University, Assistant Professor,
Department of Humanities, 1977 - 1978.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Rabbi Tarfon, The Tradition, The Man, and Early Rabbinic Judaism, Missoula, Mont.: Scholars Press, 1979 (483 pages).

Articles

"Orthodox Judaism and Psychoanalysis: Toward Dialogue and Reconciliation." Journal of the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry 32 (2004): 267-86 (with Mariam Cohen)

"Integrating Local Jewish Historical Societies and Public History." Shofar 14 (Spring 1995): 1-20.

"To Speak? How to Speak? When Not to Speak? Answers from Early Rabbinic Narratives." Semia 34 (1985): 29-51.

"Jewish Bioethics: Redefining the Agendum." Religious Studies Review 8, no. 4 (October 1982): 316-24.

Chapters in Books

"Judaism and the Emotions," In Handbook of Religion and the Emotions, ed. John Corrigan, 95-110. New York: Oxford University Press, 2008

"With Liberty and Haggadahs for All," In Key Texts in American Jewish Life, ed. Jack Kugelmass, 275-92. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2003

"History and Heroes in American Jewish Education." In Crisis and Reaction: The Hero in Jewish History, edited by Menahem Mor, 105-50. Omaha: Creighton University Press

"Can the Teaching of Jewish History be Anything but the Teaching of Myth." In The Seductiveness of Jewish Myth: Challenge or Response, edited by Daniel Breslauer, 41-68. Albany: SUNY Press, 1995.

"To Be A Part of, Not Apart from America: Social Justice and Reform Judaism." In Jewish Sects, Movements and Political Parties, edited by Menachem Mor, 243-69. Omaha: Creighton University Press, 1992.

"The Pioneer: Zecharias Frankel." In The Modern Study of the Mishnah, edited by Jacob Neusner, 59-75. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1973.

"Hirsch Mendel Pineles: The First Critical Exegete." ibid, 90_104.

"Joachim Oppenheim." ibid, 156_166.

"David Weiss Halivni on the Mishnah." ibid, 180_196.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"George Washington's Letter to the Jews of Newport: Jewish Efforts at Redefining the Canon of American Sacred Texts,"

"What were American Jews saying about European Jewry in the Immediate Aftermath of the Holocaust"

Early Rabbinic Storytelling, Ma'asim and Other Narratives in Mishnah and Tosefta Chico, Ca.: Scholars Press, Brown Judaic Studies (950 page manuscript).

INVITED LECTURES AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

"Did you ever Know there were Jewish Sports Heroes," Conference on American Jews in Sports, Jewish Studies Program, Arizona State University, February 2001

"With Liberty and Haggadahs for All," Conference on Key Texts in American Jewish Life, Jewish Studies Program, Arizona State University, February 2000

"George Washington's Letter to the Jews of Newport," Annual Meeting, Association for Jewish Studies, December 1999

"Local Jewish Historical Societies as Agents of Collective Memory," Western Jewish Studies Association, March 1999

"Integrating the Study of the Emotions into the Study of Judaism," Western Jewish Studies Association, March 1998

"Developing Jewish Social Services in Phoenix, Arizona: The Politics and Discourse of Jewish Identity and Gender," Western Jewish Studies Association, April 1997

"Jewish Leadership Training Programs and the Construction of American Jewish Collective Memory," Western Jewish Studies Association, March 1996

"The Contribution of Scholarly Literature on Collective and Social Memory to the Teaching of the Holocaust," Western Jewish Studies Association, April 1995.

"Integrating Local Jewish Historical Societies and Public History," Midwest Jewish Studies Association, Oct. 1994

"Can the Teaching of Jewish History be Anything but the Teaching of Myth," University of Kansas, March 1994.

"The Use of Gender as a Category of Organization in the Introductory Course on Judaism," AAR, Nov. 1993.

"History and Heroes in American Jewish Education," Conference on the Hero in Jewish History, Creighton University, Oct. 1993.

"The Implication of Feminist Ethics for Jewish Ethics," Department of Philosophy, Ben Gurion University, Beer Sheva.

"The Rabbinic Sage and Others," Bet Midrash LeRabanim, Jerusalem.

"What is Bioethics," Series of Presentation to Department of Social Work, Hadassah Hospital, Jerusalem.

"To Be A Part of Not Apart from America: Social Justice and Reform Judaism," Symposium on Jewish Sects, Movements, and Parties, Creighton University, Oct. 1990.

"The Ethics of Eugene Borowitz and the Current State of Jewish Ethics," Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies, 1989.

"Establishing Authority by Relative Narratives in Early Rabbinic Texts," Conference on Discourses on Power, 1988.

"The Substantive Mishnaic Argumentation," Annual Meeting, Association for Jewish Studies.

Paper on "The Rhetoric of Mishnaic Debates," Annual Meeting, Association for Jewish Studies, 1986.

"Jewish Biomedical Ethics: Redefining the Field," Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, 1982.

"Case Reports in Early Rabbinic Documents," Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature.

"All Roads Lead to Yavneh," Pacific Region Meeting, SBL, 1980.

Coordinated and chaired section on Metaethical Issues in The Study of Jewish Ethics, Annual Meeting, Association for Jewish Studies.

Co_Chair section of Post_biblical Judaism, Pacific Region, SBL.

Co_Chair section on The Ethics of Judaism, Annual Meeting, Association for Jewish Studies.

"Intention and Reality in Early Rabbinic Judaism," West Coast Regional Meeting, AAR.

"Restructuring and Redefining Symbols in Nineteenth Century Judaism," Religious Studies ASU Colloquim, 1979.

SPONSORED RESEARCH

U.S. State Department, Teaching of World Religion in U.S. Universities, Joint Project with University of Sarajevo, PI, Stephen Batalden, Director, Russian and Eastern European Studies, ASU, 2004-07.

Seminar on Religion and Violence. Participant, Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict, ASU, 2003-05.

Research Grant, Responding to the Holocaust, Jewish Studies Program, ASU, 2002.

Travel Grant, Society for the Preservation of North African Jewry, 1988.

Faculty Grant_In_Aid, Arizona State University, 1981.

Brown University, Department of Religious Studies, Publication Grant Max Richter Foundation, Publication Grant

I. Edward Kiev Foundation, Publication Grant
Grant_In_Aid, Arizona State University, 1979.

Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Fellowship, 1976.

Lady David Fellowship, Jerusalem, Israel
American Friends of the Hebrew University Scholarship
Jewish Federation of Rhode Island Fellowship, Brown University, 1974.

Brown University Fellowship, 1971, 1972.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Profession

Host, Regional Meeting of AAR, SBL, WJSA, March 2005

Conveener, Annual Meeting Western Jewish Studies Association, Tempe, March 2001

Editorial Committee, Shofar, 1998-

Coordinating Committee, Western Jewish Studies Association, 1995-

Book Review Editor on Jewish Ethics, Religious Studies Review, 1980-1988.

Executive Committee, History of Judaism Section, American Academy of Religion, 1979_82.

Member of Editorial Board, Brown Judaic Studies, Scholars Press, 1979_83.

Co_Chairperson, Post_biblical Judaism Section, Pacific Region Society of Biblical Literature, 1978_80.

University and College

Member Search Committee for Divisional Deans of Humanities and Social Sciences, CLAS, Spring 2004

Steering Committee, ACDC, 2003-05

Director, Jewish Studies Program, 1983-1998.

ASU Delegate to the Arizona Institute for Curricular Redesign in Humanities, 1988-89.

General Studies Council, 1987-89.

Quality of Instruction Committee, 1988.

University Standards Committee, 1986-87.

Committee on Law and Social Sciences, 1986-present.

University Senate, 1984-86.

University Library Committee (Chair, 1983)

Grand_in_Aid Committee _ Humanities Section, 1982.

University Committee on Human Subjects Research, 1980-1983.

Search Committee for Reference Librarian in Religious Studies and Philosophy, 1980-82.

Curriculum Committee, 1983-85.

Dean's Research Council, 1981.

Ad_hoc committee for review of by_laws on reappointment of department chairperson, 1980.

Co_Chairperson, Ad_hoc Committee on Jewish Studies, 1979.

Co_Chairman, Jewish Faculty Association, 1978.

Guest Lecture in Sociology on Bio_Medical Ethics as a field of Research, 1978.

Department

Director of Graduate Studies, 1990-1998.

Interim Chair, 1989 fall semester, 1996-97

Director of Undergraduate Studies, 1987-1991.

Personnel Committee, 1986-90, 1994-95.

Curriculum Coordinator, 1987-1991.

Personnel Committee, 1983-1991.

Library Representative, 1979.

Community

Presenter for Elder hostel, Brandeis-Bardin Institute, Simi Valley, CA, December 2001

Presenter for Public Lecture Series, Department of Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, September, 2001

Presenter Annual Physicians Retreat, John C. Lincoln Hospital, June 2001

Presenter, Annual Day School Educator's Retreat, Bureau of Jewish Education, Los Angeles, February 2001

Guest Speakers, Jewish Studies Program, San Diego State University, March 1999

Keynote Speaker, National Meeting, Jewish Family Service Agencies of America, Tucson, Arizona, January, 1999

Scholar in Residence, Temple Beth Shalom, Sun City, Arizona, April 1998

Presenter Community Lecture Series, Tucson, Arizona, March 1997

Scholar in Residence, Tiferet Israel Congregation, San Diego, California, April 1995.

Scholar for Lehrhaus on Collective Memory, Har Zion Congregation, Paradise Valley, Arizona, February 1994.

Scholar in Residence, Jewish Community of Yuma Arizona, February 1992
Scholar in Residence, Temple Emanuel, Dunwoody, Georgia, February, 1991.

Scholar in Residence, Bnai Brith Society of Nashville, Nashville, Tennessee, March 1990
Trustee Arizona Perinatal Trust Board Member, Arizona Bioethics Network, 1980-present.

Board of Directors Arizona Jewish Historical Society, 1985-present.

Member of Bioethics Committee, Good Samaritan Hospital, 1984-2000.

Member of Board of Directors, Arizona Bioethics Network, 1989-1995.

Member of Bioethics Committee, John C. Lincoln Hospital, 1991- 1999

Coordinating Committee for an interdisciplinary conference on Sexuality and Responsibility__funded by Arizona Humanities Council.

Numerous community lectures, 1981-present.

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