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Education

University of Pennsylvania

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, 2006.

Dissertation title: *Neo-Babylonian Decision Records and Related Documents: Structural, Procedural and Comparative Aspects*. Dissertation Committee: Barry Eichler, Erle Leichty, Jeffrey Tigay.

Harvard University

Bachelor of Arts (AB), *summa cum laude* in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, 1999.

Senior honors thesis: "‘To Go and Marry Any Man That You Please:’ A Study of the Formulaic Antecedents of the Rabbinic Writ of Divorce." Adviser: John Huehnergard.

Yeshivat Har Etzion, Summer 1994– Summer 1995.

Ramaz Upper School, September 1990–June 1994.

Yeshiva of Central Queens (K–8), September 1981–June 1990.

Academic Positions

Yeshiva University

Director, Jay and Jeanie Schottenstein Honors Program for Men. January 2017–December 2019.

Associate Professor of Bible (with tenure; 3/3 teaching load). June 2012–Present.

Core faculty of Bernard Revel Graduate School, 2010–Present.

Harry Fischel Summer School, Bernard Revel Graduate School, Visiting Professor of Bible. Summer 2010.

Assistant Professor of Bible. 2006–2012.

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University. Visiting Fellow in Jewish Law and Interdisciplinary Studies. 2009–2010.

Neo-Babylonian Trial Proceedings Project. Consultant. 2006–2010.

University of Pennsylvania. Teaching Fellow and Substitute Lecturer. Fall 2000– Spring 2004.

Courses: Egyptology (J. Wegner), Ancient Religion (S. Tinney), Introduction to Bible (J. Tigay), Freshman seminar on Jewish Law (B. Eichler), Undergraduate Bible (J. Tigay), History of the Ancient Near East (P. Jones and T. Scharlach).

Student coordinator of Jewish Studies conference, "Marcus Jastrow and Rabbinic Lexicography: A Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Jastrow Dictionary." May–November, 2003.

Books

Praying Legally. Manuscript under review.

Ari Mermelstein and Shalom E. Holtz, eds., *The Divine Courtroom in Comparative Perspective* (Biblical Interpretation Series 132; Leiden: Brill, 2015).

Neo-Babylonian Trial Records (ed. Cornelia Wunsch; Society of Biblical Literature Writings from the Ancient World Series 35; Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2014).

Reviews: J. H. Price, *Review of Biblical Literature* (2015); Christopher B. Hays, *Religious Studies Review* 42 (2016), 37; Marcel Sigrist, *Revue Biblique* 124 (2017), 140.

Neo-Babylonian Court Procedure (Cuneiform Monographs 38). Leiden: Brill, 2009.

Reviews: Raúl Quiroga, *DavarLogos* 9 (2010), 208–210; S. Jacobs, *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 35.5 (Book List 2011), 167–168; John MacGinnis, *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* (Third Series) 21 (2011), 509–511; Richard W. Medina, *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 23 (2011), 390–391; Kristin Kleber, "Aspekte des Spätbabylonischen Gerichtsverfahrens," *Bibliotheca Orientalis* 69 (2012), 182–196; Kathleen Avraham, "The Settling of Disputes in Babylonian Courts (7th–5th Centuries B.C.E.)," *Shnaton: An Annual for Biblical and Ancient Near Eastern Studies* 22 (5773), 275–280; Małgorzata Sandowicz, *Akkadica* 133 (2012), 180–188; Bruce Wells, *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 133 (2013), 541–542.

Articles in Refereed Journals

"Maqlû I.73–121 and Trial Procedure," *Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Religions* 17 (2017), 140–148.

"Ezekiel's Temple in Babylonian Context." *Vetus Testamentum* 64 (2014), 211–226. (Co-Author: Tova Ganzel, Bar-Ilan University).

"Why are the Sins of Ephraim (Hos 13,12) and Job (Job 14,17) Bundled?" *Biblica* 93 (2012), 107–115.

"A Common Set of Trial Terms." *Zeitschrift für Altorientalische und Biblische Rechtsgeschichte* 17 (2011), 1–14.

"Praying as a Plaintiff." *Vetus Testamentum* 61 (2011), 258–279.

"A Comparative Note on the Demand for Witnesses in Isa 43:9." *Journal of Biblical Literature* 129 (2010), 457–461.

התפתחויות סמנטיות בצירוף ע-מ-ד + על בעברית המקראית המאוחרת ("Semantic Developments in the Locution '-m-d + 'al in Late Biblical Hebrew"). *Lešonenu* 72 (2009–2010), 7–18.

"The Case for Adversarial *Yahad*." *Vetus Testamentum* 59 (2009), 211–221.

"The Career of a Neo-Babylonian Court Scribe." *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* 60 (2008), 81–85.

"The Thematic Unity of Psalm cxliv in Light of Mesopotamian Royal Ideology." *Vetus Testamentum* 58 (2008), 367–380.

"'To Go and Marry Any Man That You Please': A Study of the Formulaic Antecedents of the Rabbinic Writ of Divorce." *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 60 (2001), 241–258.

Book Chapters and Encyclopedia Entries

"Oral and Written in Israelite Legal Life: Analogues from Mesopotamia," in *The Dynamics of Early Judaeon Law: Studies in The Diversity of Ancient Criminal, Civil and Communal Legislation*, ed. Sandra Jacobs, forthcoming.

"Preliminary Observations on Trial Procedure in the Āl-Yahūdu Texts," forthcoming in a Festschrift.

"Trial Procedure." In *The [Oxford] Encyclopedia of the Bible and Law* (ed. Brent A. Strawn, et. al.; Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015), 414–420.

ב-ז : קריאה חדשה בדב' יז, ב-ז ("A New Reading of Deuteronomy

17:2–7"), in *Marbeh Hokmah: Studies in the Bible and the Ancient Near East in Loving Memory of Victor Avigdor Hurowitz* (ed. S. Yona, et. al.; Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 2015), *91–*100.

"Reading Biblical Law." In *The Jewish Study Bible* (2nd edition; ed. Adele Berlin and Marc Zvi Brettler; Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014), 2201–2207.

"Lexicography: Biblical Hebrew." In *Encyclopedia of Hebrew Language and Linguistics* (ed. Geoffrey Khan, et. al.; Leiden: Brill, 2013), 507–510. [Online: <http://referenceworks.brillonline.com/browse/encyclopedia-of-hebrew-language-and-linguistics>].

"The Prophet as Summoner." In *A Common Cultural Heritage: Studies on Mesopotamia and the Biblical World in Honor of Barry L. Eichler* (ed. Grant Frame, Erle Leichty, Karen Sonik, Jeffrey H. Tigay, Steve Tinney; Bethesda, MD: CDL Press, 2011), 19–34.

"Akkadian Personal Names." In *Early Civilizations: 4000–1000 BCE (ABC-CLIO Encyclopedia of World History, Volume 3)*; ed. Kevin McGeough; Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, 2011), 156–157.

"God as Refuge and Temple as Refuge in the Psalms." In *The Temple of Jerusalem: From Moses to the Messiah, In Honor of Professor Louis H. Feldman* (Brill Reference Library of Judaism 29; ed. Steven Fine; Leiden: Brill, 2011), 17–26.

Reviews

Susan Niditch, *The Responsive Self: Personal Religion in Biblical Literature of the Neo-Babylonian and Persian Periods* (New Haven, 2015). *The Journal of Religion* 98 (2018), 156–158.

Marian W. Broida, *Forestalling Doom: Apotropaic Intercession in the Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East* (Münster, 2014). *Near Eastern Archaeology* 79 (2016), 122–123.

Menahem Haran, *The Biblical Collection: Its Consolidation to the End of the Second Temple Times and Changes of Form to the End of the Middle Ages* (Part 4; Jerusalem, 2014). *AJS Review* 39 (2015), 439–441.

Reinhard Achenbach, Rainer Albertz and Jakob Wöhrle, eds., *The Foreigner and the Law: Perspectives from the Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East* (Wiesbaden, 2011). *Near Eastern Archaeology* 77 (2014), 311–312.

Klaus-Peter Adam, Friedrich Avemarie and Nili Wazana, eds., *Law and Narrative in the Bible and in Neighboring Ancient Cultures* (Tübingen, 2012). "Ancient Traditions, New Conversations: The Blog." Online: <http://blogs.yu.edu/cjl/2013/04/29/review-of-law-and-narrative-in-the-bible-and-in-neighboring-ancient-cultures/> (April 29, 2013).

Samuel Greengus, *Laws in the Bible and in Early Rabbinic Law Collections: The Legal Legacy of the Ancient Near East* (Eugene, 2011). "Ancient Traditions, New Conversations: The Blog." Online: <http://blogs.yu.edu/cjl/2012/09/20/review-of-greengus-laws-in-the-bible-and-in-early-rabbinic-collections-the-legal-legacy-of-the-ancient-near-east/> (September 20, 2012).

Dominique Charpin, *Writing, Law, and Kingship in Old Babylonian Mesopotamia* (Chicago, 2010). "Ancient Traditions, New Conversations: The Blog." Online: <http://blogs.yu.edu/cjl/2011/01/25/the-two-faces-of-cuneiform-legal-writing-by-shalom-e-holtz/> (January 25, 2011).

Hayim Tadmor, *Assyria, Babylonia and Judah: Studies in the History of the Ancient Near East*, (Jerusalem, 2006). *Hebrew Studies* 51 (2010), 387–389.

David P. Wright, *Inventing God's Law: How the Covenant Code of the Bible Used and Revised the Laws of Hammurabi* (Oxford, 2009). *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 72 (2010), 820–822.

Nili Wazana, *All the Boundaries of the Land: The Promised Land in Biblical Thought in Light of the Ancient Near East* (Jerusalem, 2007). *Review of Biblical Literature*, September, 2008.

Nahum Sarna, *Studies in Biblical Interpretation* (Philadelphia, 2000). *The Jewish Quarterly Review* 93 (2003), 623–624.

Yaira Amit, *History and Ideology: An Introduction to Historiography in the Hebrew Bible* (Sheffield, 1999). *The Jewish Quarterly Review* 92 (2002), 602–603.

Other Publications

"Naboth's Trial: Biblical Law in a Kangaroo Court." Online: <http://www.bibleodyssey.com/passages/related-articles/naboths-trial.aspx> (March 6, 2015).

"Seeking the Torah, Seeking God: Psalm 119," "Stoning the Idolater: The Significance of Proper Procedure," "The Flood Story in its Ancient Near Eastern Context." Online: www.thetorah.com.

"Whose Battle? Whose Victory?" *Purim-to-Go* 5772, 22–24.

"A Tirade Against Decadence and Idolatry: The Samaria Ivories and Amos' Roots in Archeology." *Mosaic* 21 (1998), 62–68.

Academic Conferences and Colloquia

"Contextualizing Jewish Temples: Opportunities and Challenges." Bar-Ilan University, May, 2018. Conference co-organizer (with Tova Ganzel). Respondent to lecturers in panel on "Regulating Sacred Time."

Society of Biblical Literature. Annual Meeting, Boston, November, 2017. "Why Confess in Prayer? Two Legal Proposals." (Biblical Law Section)

World Congress of Jewish Studies. Jerusalem, August, 2017. "Legal Acculturation at Āl-Yahūdu?" (Special session: Babylonians and Jews in the Sixth Century BCE)

Society of Biblical Literature. Annual Meeting, San Antonio, November 2016. "A Mari Prophecy and its Implications for Prayer, Law, 'Calling Out,' and the Stance of Poverty." (Biblical Law Section)

Columbia Seminar on Religion and Writing. New York, September, 2016. "The Oral and The Textual in Mesopotamian and Biblical Law." (Invited)

Symposium on Khirbet Qeiyafa. Center for Jewish History, New York, March 2016. "How Sixty-Six Letters Make History."

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, November, 2015. "Psalm 109 and the Legal Meaning of Prayer." (Biblical Law Section)

Columbia Bible Seminar. New York, October, 2015. "Legal Observations on Hebrew Terminology for Prayer." (Invited)

"By the Rivers of Babylon: A Symposium Exploring New Evidence From Ancient Texts About the Jewish Exiles," Center for Jewish History, New York, May, 2015. "The Āl-Yahūdu Texts and Neo-Babylonian Law." (Invited)

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting, San Diego, November, 2014. "Orality, Textuality and Biblical Law: The Evidence from Mesopotamia." (Invited Panelist: Orality, Textuality and Law)

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. Baltimore, November, 2013. "The Psalms and the Courtroom." (Biblical Law Section)

Yeshiva University Dead Sea Scrolls Seminar. New York, October, 2013. Respondent to Andrew Gross's paper, "The Place of the Bar Kokhba Documents within both the Aramaic Legal Tradition and the Ancient Near Eastern Legal Tradition." (Invited)

World Congress of Jewish Studies. Jerusalem, July, 2013. "יסודות משפטיים בתפילה המקראית" ("Aspects of Law in Biblical Prayer"). Chair of "Biblical Legal Literature" session.

Yeshiva University Dead Sea Scrolls Seminar. New York, March, 2013. Respondent to Alex Jassen's paper, "Violence, Power, and Resistance in the Dead Sea Scrolls." (Invited)

Drexel University. Philadelphia, March, 2013. "Seeing God as Refuge in the Psalms." (Invited Lecture)

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. Chicago, November, 2012. "Taking a (Forensic) Stand" (Joint session of Biblical Law and Assyriology and the Bible Sections). "Investigating God's Forensic Senses" (Sensory Perception in the Biblical World Section).

Columbia Bible Seminar. New York, November, 2012. "Praying Legally" (Invited Lecture)

International Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. Amsterdam, July, 2012. Review of Samuel Greengus, *Laws in the Bible and in Early Rabbinic Collections: The Legal Legacy of the Ancient Near East*. (Invited Panelist, Assyriology and Bible Section)

The Divine Courtroom in Comparative Perspective. Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. February, 2012. Conference Co-Coordinator (with Ari Mermelstein and Suzanne Stone)

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. San Francisco, November, 2011. "Preserving Sin as Evidence in Court." (Biblical Law Section).

Yeshiva College Junior Faculty Working Papers. New York, November, 2011. "Why are the Sins of Ephraim and Job Bundled?: A Forensic Answer."

International Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. London, July, 2011. "Seeing and Hearing Forensically: Neo-Babylonian Trial Records and Biblical Legalese." (Invited Panelist, Assyriology and Bible Section).

American Oriental Society, Annual Meeting. Chicago, March, 2011. "*Maqlû* and Trial Procedure."

University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, February, 2011. "If an Apostate is Found. . . Then What?: Protasis and Apodosis in Deuteronomy 17:2-7" (Seminar at Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations) and "Praying as a Plaintiff" (Public Lecture sponsored by Jewish Studies Program).

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. Atlanta, 2010. "Hearing Cases and Establishing Facts: Comparative Perspectives on the Legal Nuances of Hebrew Words." (Biblical Law Section)

Yeshiva College Jewish Studies Faculty Colloquium. New York, 2010. "Hearing Cases and Establishing Facts: Comparative Observations on Ancient Near Eastern Legalese."

Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. Annual Graduate Conference. New York, 2010. "Courtroom Metaphor in the Hebrew Bible."

Jerusalem in Babylon: New Discoveries from the Exilic Period. Philadelphia, 2010. Invited participant.

Israel Association of Assyriology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies. Annual Meeting. Ramat-Gan, Israel, 2010.

"מדין לרחמים : מינוח משפטי בתפילה המקראית לאור מקבילות ממסופטמיה" ("Legal Terminology in Biblical Prayer in Light of Mesopotamian Parallels"). (Invited lecture)

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. New Orleans, 2009. "'Judge Me, Oh Lord!' (Psalm 7:9): Prayer and Courtroom Procedure." (Biblical Law Section)

World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, 2009. "Development of the phrase '*-m-d 'al* in Biblical Hebrew."

Tablet and Torah: A Conference in Honor of Dr. Barry L. Eichler. Philadelphia, 2009. "The Prophet and the *manzaduhlu*."

University of Chicago Divinity School. Chicago, 2009. "The Prophet as Summoner: Biblical Legal Metaphor In Light of Mesopotamian Legal Reality." (Invited lecture)

Association for Jewish Studies, Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., 2008. "Neo-Babylonian Perspectives on the Prophetic Summons."

Yeshiva University Center for Israel Studies, Inaugural Conference. New York, 2008. "God as Refuge and Temple as Refuge in the Psalms."

American Oriental Society, Annual Meeting. Chicago, 2008. "The Career of a Neo-Babylonian Royal Judge and his Court Scribe."

Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting. San Diego, 2007. "Recovering Biblical Courtroom Vocabulary: Arguing the Case for Adversarial *yahad*." (Biblical Law Section)

Yeshiva College Jewish Studies Faculty Colloquium. New York, 2007. "'Let Us Plead Together:' With and Against in Biblical Legal Terminology."

American Oriental Society, Annual Meeting. San Antonio, 2007. "'PN₁ Shall Argue the Case Against PN₂': Contract or Summons?."

Iranian Heritage Foundation, "The World of Achaemenid Persia." London, 2005. "Royal Judges in Achaemenid Mesopotamia."

Association for Jewish Studies, Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., 2001. "Quantum Leap or 'But a Step'?: On the Mesopotamian Origins of Israelite Monotheism."

American Academy for Jewish Research Graduate Summer Seminar. Poughkeepsie, 2001. Participant.

Hebrew University Institute for Advanced Studies Summer School in Judaic Studies. Jerusalem, 2000. Participant.

Academic Honors and Awards

Chelst, Schreiber, and Zwas Yeshiva College Book Fund. 2016–2017; renewed 2017–2018.

International Fellowship in Jewish Studies, Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture. 2014–2015.

Yeshiva University Publication Grant. 2013.

Visiting Scholar, Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, New York University. 2009–2010.

Visiting Fellowship in Jewish Law and Interdisciplinary Studies, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. 2009–2010.

Lady Davis Fellowship. Awarded 2006. (Declined)

Dean's Scholar, University of Pennsylvania. 2004–2005.

University of Pennsylvania Dissertation Fellowship. Summer 2004–2005.

Ellis Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania. Summer 2003– 2004.

Schaff Prize, University of Pennsylvania, 2000. For essay “Quantum Leap or ‘But a Step’?: On the Mesopotamian Origins of Israelite Monotheism.”

William Penn Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, Fall 1999–2003.

Honorable Mention, Norman Podhoretz Prize in Jewish Studies, Harvard University, 1999.

Member, Phi Beta Kappa (“Senior 48”)- Alpha Iota Chapter, Harvard University. Elected January 1999.

Dean’s List, Rank List Group I, Harvard University.

Harvard University Center for Jewish Studies grant for summer research, 1998.

Detur Book Prize, Harvard University, January 1997.

John Harvard Scholarship, 1995–1998.

Caroline and Joseph S. Gruss Life Monument Scholarship for Higher Education, for four years of college studies. Tuition and Stipend. 1994–1999.

National Bible Contest: First Place, 1993; U.S. representative to International Bible Contest in Jerusalem, 1994, Second Place in Diaspora.

Courses Taught

Biblical Prayer
History of the Ancient Near East
Hosea/Amos
Introduction to Bible
Jeremiah
Psalms
Religion in Mesopotamia (First-Year Seminar)

Dissertation and Thesis Advising

Yael Landman (Ph.D.; Defended Spring, 2017); Yitzchak Fried (Honors Thesis, 2017); Shlomo Zuckier (Honors Thesis, 2011).

Professional Service

Journal of the Ancient Near Eastern Society. Managing Editor. 2018–present.

Society of Biblical Literature. Biblical Law Section Steering Committee (Annual Meeting). Co-Chair, 2016–2018.

National Association of Professors of Hebrew. Referee, Biblical Hebrew Section.

Manuscript and Proposal Reviews. Austrian Science Fund (FWF); Israel Science Foundation; *Journal of Applied Logic*; *Near Eastern Archaeology*; Oxford University Press; Yale University Press.

Promotion and Tenure Reviews. Bar-Ilan University (Promotion, 2013); Catholic University of America (Promotion and Tenure, 2013); Ben-Gurion University (Promotion and Tenure, 2014); Bar-Ilan University (Promotion and Tenure, 2016).

Evaluation of Dissertations and Dissertation Proposals. Charles Sturt University (Examiner, 2015); Ben-Gurion University (Examiner, 2015); Bar-Ilan University (Evaluation of Proposal, 2016); New York University (External Reader, 2018).

University Service

Spring, 2017–Fall, 2019 Director, The Jay and Jeanie Schottenstein Yeshiva College Honors Program

Fall, 2015–
Fall, 2016 Curriculum Committee, Chair

Spring, 2014–
Fall, 2016 Chair, The Robert M. Beren Department of Jewish Studies

Fall, 2013 ON LEAVE

2012–2013 Curriculum Committee, Chair
Committee on Revision of Academic Jewish Studies Curriculum
Admissions Committee, Bernard Revel Graduate School
Bernard Revel Graduate School, Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination Committee (one student)
Master's in Jewish History Assessment, Bernard Revel Graduate School

2011–2012 Executive Committee for Robert M. Beren Department of Jewish Studies, Member
Curriculum Committee, Co-Chair
Director of Honors Thesis
Faculty Academic Mentor (three students)
Bernard Revel Graduate School, Independent Study, Neo-Babylonian Legal Texts (supervisor)

2010–2011 Director of Honors Thesis
First-Year Writing Assessment, Participant
Faculty-student Committee on Course Evaluations
Middle States Evaluation Committee on Undergraduate Educational Offerings, General Education
Faculty Academic Mentor (six students)
Academic Hearing Panels, Member
Faculty sponsor of guest lecture by Gary Anderson of University of Notre Dame, Yeshiva University Humanities Colloquium

2009–2010 ON LEAVE

2008–2009 Science and Quantitative Literacy Task Force
"Parshanut Hamikra: An Afternoon of Tanach Learning," Speaker

2007–2008 Bible Search Committee
Curriculum Committee (through Spring 2009)
Faculty brown-bag lunches on writing, Co-Coordinator (through Spring 2009)
Academic Hearing Panels, Member.

2006–2007 "Parshanut Hamikra: An Afternoon of Tanach Learning," Speaker
Yeshiva College Jewish Studies Colloquium, Coordinator (through Spring 2009)
Faculty sponsor of visit by former director of Iraq Museum, co-hosted by Yeshiva College and

Rabbi Arthur Schneier Center for International Affairs

Jewish Communal Education

Yemei Iyun B'Tanakh, Herzog College, Alon Shevut, Israel. Summer, 2018.

Lamdeinu Adult Education, Teaneck, NJ. Fall, 2017.

Yeshivat Maharat. Elective Courses. Fall, 2013; Fall, 2017.

"נבוכדנצר על הבמה העולמית : היבטים גיאוגרפיים על חרבן בית ראשון." Kehillat Yedidya, Jerusalem. July, 2017.

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School. Elective Courses. Spring, 2016; Spring, 2017.

Congregation Ahavas Achim, Highland Park, NJ. Adult education series on the Book of Amos. February, 2014.

University of Maryland Hillel. Visiting Scholar. November, 2013.

Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School, West Orange, NJ. Faculty development series on the Book of Psalms. Fall, 2013.

"The Geopolitics of *Hurban Bayit Rishon*." Congregation Or Torah, Skokie, IL. November, 2012.

"The Hebrew Bible in its Ancient Near Eastern Context." Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls (Tikvah Program). September, 2012.

"All in the Family: Deuteronomy's Laws and Family Dynamics, Human and Divine." Stephen S. Wise Free Synagogue. September, 2012.

"Who are God's Enemies, and Why do we Sing about them on Shabbat?" Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls. March, 2012.

"Before the *Ketubba* and the *Get*." Young Israel of Stamford. December, 2011.

Beth Jacob Congregation, Oakland, CA. Visiting Scholar. November, 2011.

Congregation Ahavas Achim, Highland Park, NJ. Visiting Scholar. August, 2011.

Young Israel of Toco Hills, Atlanta, GA. Visiting Scholar. November, 2010.

"The Ox that Gored and the Meaning of Law in the Torah." Young Israel of Stamford. October, 2010.

Kemp Mill Synagogue, Silver Spring, MD. Visiting Scholar. December, 2009.

"Tanach Beshana" Project of Greater Five Towns/Far Rockaway, NY. Lecture. October, 2009.

"The Decline and Fall of Biblical Judah." Lecture series at Riverdale Jewish Center. Spring, 2009.

Public lectures at New York area synagogues: "The Poetry and Politics of Jerusalem's Loneliness: Reading Eichah 1" and "9 Av, 586 BCE: *Hurban Bayit Rishon* in Historical Perspective." 2006–Present.

Congregation Ahavas Achim, Highland Park, NJ. Instructor in Women's Torah Institute. October 2003–2006.

Drisha Institute, New York. Instructor in Continuing Education Program. Summer 2002– Summer 2006; Summer 2013.

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah, University of Pennsylvania satellite program. Instructor in Bible. October 2000–May 2001.

Akiba High School, Merion, Pennsylvania. Mentor in senior Jewish Studies program. Spring 2000, Spring 2002.

University of Pennsylvania Hillel. Teacher of weekly Bible class. October 1999– May 2002.

Hebrew College, Boston. Assistant Instructor in Prozdor Hebrew High School Program. October 1998– May 1999.

Camp Moshava, Wild Rose, Wisconsin. Teacher. Summer 1996.

Private tutor in Jewish subjects for children of a family in Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 1995–June 1996.

Languages

Akkadian- all dialects of Assyrian and Babylonian- Fluent (reading)

Aramaic- all ancient Jewish dialects - Fluent (reading)

Hebrew- Biblical, Rabbinic, Modern- Fluent (reading, writing and speaking)

French- Fluent (reading, writing and speaking)

Sumerian- Good (reading)

Ugaritic- Good (reading)

German- Good (reading)

Arabic- Classical- Intermediate (reading)

Academic Societies

American Oriental Society, Member.

Association of Jewish Studies, Member.

Columbia Hebrew Bible Seminar, Member.

Society of Biblical Literature, Member.

World Union of Jewish Studies, Member.