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EDUCATION

- Brandeis University. Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies. May 2000
- The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Master's Degree in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, February 1994
- The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Bachelor of Arts Degree. Double major in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies and History of the Jewish People, July 1989

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- University of Notre Dame. Professor of History and Peace Studies, May 2015 – present
- University of Notre Dame. Associate Professor of History and Peace Studies, May 2010 – May 2015
- The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. Research Fellow, September 2009 – May 2010
- University of Notre Dame. Assistant Professor of History and Peace Studies, July 2005 – May 2010
- Research Fellow, The Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, 2000-2005
- Adjunct Lecturer, The Department of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, 2000-2005
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, The Faculty of Humanities, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2003-2005
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, The Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2000-2003

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

- Director of Doctoral Studies, the Kroc Institute, January 2010 – June 2015
- Coordinator of the Middle East Unit at the Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2004-2005

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS

- Small Research and Creative Work, Institute for the Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA), Notre Dame, December 2016
- Kroc Faculty Research Grant, May 2015
- Small Research and Creative Work, Institute for the Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA), Notre Dame, December 2014
- Lady Davis Fellowship, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June-September 2015
- Kroc Faculty Research Grant, February 2014
- Small Research and Creative Work, Institute for the Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA), Notre Dame, December 2013
- Kroc Faculty Research Grant, December 2012
- Small Research and Creative Work, Institute for the Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA), Notre Dame, October 2013
- Small Research and Creative Work, Institute for the Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA), Notre Dame, April 2012
- Henkels Lecture Grant, ISLA, February 2012 (declined)
- Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 2009-2010
- Lady Davis Post-Doctorate Fellowship Trust, The Hebrew University, 2003-2004
- British Academy Award financed by the Elie Kedourie Memorial Fund, 2002
- Mandel Young Truman Scholar Fellowship at the Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, 2000-2003
- University Dissertation Fellowship, Brandeis University, 1998-2000
- Excellence in teaching award, The Hebrew University, Faculty of Humanities, 2002-2003; 2003-2004
- Jacoby award for departmental best dissertation, Brandeis University, 2000

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Contested Frontiers in the Lebanon-Israel-Syria Region: Cartography, Sovereignty, and Conflict* (The Woodrow Wilson Press in association with the Johns Hopkins University Press, 2014), 281 pp.
- *Reviving Phoenicia: The Search for Identity in Lebanon* (London: I. B. Tauris, 2014). New paperback edition with a new introduction.
- *Reviving Phoenicia: The Search for Identity in Lebanon* (London: I. B. Tauris, 2004), 255 pp.

Edited Books

- Elie Podeh and Asher Kaufman (eds.), *Arab-Jewish Relations: From Conflict to Reconciliation?* (Brighton: Sussex Academic Press, 2005), 386 pp.

Articles in Refereed Journals

- “Belonging and Continuity: Israel Druze and Lebanon, 1982-2000,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* (October 2016), pp. 635-654.
- “Thinking Beyond Direct Violence,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* (May 2014), pp. 441-444.
- “Between Permeable and Sealed Borders: The Trans-Arabian Pipeline and the Arab-Israeli Conflict,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* (February 2014), pp. 95-116.
- “‘Letting Sleeping Dogs Lie:’ On Ghajar and Other Anomalies in the Syria, Lebanon and Israel Tri-Border Region,” *Middle East Journal* (Fall, 2009), pp. 539-560.
- “‘Too Much French But Swell Exhibit:’ Representing Lebanon at the 1939 New York World’s Fair.” *British Journal of Middle East Studies* (April 2008).
- “Between Palestine and Lebanon: Seven Shi‘i Villages as a Case Study of Boundaries, Identities and Conflict,” *Middle East Journal* (Fall 2006), pp. 686-706. Reprinted in Morten Valbjorn & Fred Lawson (eds.) *International Relations of the Middle East* (Sage Publications, 2015).
- “Size Does not Matter: The Shebaa Farms in History and Contemporary Politics,” *The MIT Electronic Journal of Middle East Studies* (Fall 2006), pp. 163-176.
- “Identities, Territoriality and Conflict: Seven Shi‘i Villages as a Case Study,” *Jama‘a*, 14(in Hebrew), pp. 65-89.
- “‘Tell Us Our History:’ Charles Corm, Mount Lebanon and Lebanese Nationalism.” *Middle Eastern Studies* 40 (2004), pp. 1-28.
- “Who Owns the Shebaa Farms? Chronicle of a Territorial Dispute.” *Middle East Journal*, 56 (Fall 2002), pp. 577-596.
- “Phoenicianism: The Formation of an Identity in Lebanon of 1920.” *Middle Eastern Studies*, 37 (Winter 2001), pp. 173-194.
- “The Phoenician Ideology in Syria: Roots and Birth Pangs.” *Hamizrah Hehadash*, 38 (Fall 1997) (In Hebrew), pp. 65-82.

Articles in Edited Volumes

- “Between Permeable and Sealed Borders: The Trans-Arabian Pipeline and the Arab-Israeli Conflict,” in *Merhavim be-Shinui* (Tel Aviv University, 2016), 241-264 (Hebrew modified version of an article first published in English in *IJMES*, February 2014).
- “Colonial Cartography and the Making of Palestine, Lebanon and Syria,” in Cyrus Schayegh and Andrew Arsan (eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of the History of Middle East Mandates* (London: Routledge, forthcoming 2015).
- “Henri Lammens and Syrian Nationalism,” in Adel Beshara (ed.), *Anthology of Syrian Nationalism* (Ithaca Press, 2011).

- “Forgetting the Lebanon War? On Silence, Denial and Selective Remembrance in Israel of the First Lebanon War,” in Efrat Ben Zeev, Ruth Ginio and Jay Winter (eds.), *Shadows of war: The Social History of Silence in the Twentieth Century* (Cambridge University Press, 2010).
- “From the Litani to Beirut: Israel’s Invasions of Lebanon, 1978-1985: Causes and Consequences,” in Clive Jones & Dr. Sergio Catignani, *Israel and Lebanon 1976-2006 An Interstate and Asymmetric Conflict in Perspective* (Routledge, 2009).
- “From La Colline Inspirée to La Montagne Inspirée: Maurice Barrès and Lebanese Nationalism,” in Michel Avitbol (ed.), *France in the Middle East: Past, Present, Future*. Jerusalem: Magnes Press, 2004, pp. 225-246.

Forthcoming articles

- “Phoenicia Resurrected,” in Mark Woolmer (ed.), *A Companion to Ancient Phoenicia* (Boston, MA: Wiley)

Non Refereed Publications

- Contributor to the Kroc Institute’s Policy Brief on the summer 2014 Gaza conflict, August 2014 <http://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/peace-policy/understanding-gaza-and-israeli-palestinian-conflict-1705>
- Editor of and contributor to the Kroc Institute’s Policy Brief on Israel/Palestine and the Peace Process, January 2014. <http://peacepolicy.nd.edu/category/israelpalestine-conflict>
- “The Israel-Hezbollah Conflict and the Shebaa Farms, *Kroc Institute Policy Brief*, No 13, November 2006.
- “Antun Saadeh’s Response to the Phoenician Ideology,” *al-Mashriq*, Vol. 3, No. 10 (2004), pp.70-75.
- “The Shebaa Farms: The Facts behind the Conflict,” *MALAM* (Israel Intelligence Journal), Summer 2004, pp. 33-38.
- “The Shebaa Farms: Roots of the Conflict and Prospects of Resolution, *Palestine-Israel Journal*, 11(2004), pp. 37-43.
- “The Shebaa Farms: A Case Study of Border Dynamics in the Middle East.” *The Gitelson Peace Publications*, The Truman Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, October 2002.
- “Expressions of Nationalism amongst the Arabs in Israel 1948-1973,” *The Oxford Review*, Fall 1994.

Entries in Encyclopedias

- “The League of Arab States” in *Encyclopedia Judaica*, 2nd Edition (Macmillan Reference, 2007).
- All entries on Syria and Kurdistan in Martin Van Kreveland (ed.), *The Encyclopedia of Revolutions and Revolutionaries* (New York: Facts on File, 1996).

Book Reviews

- As'ad Ghanem, *Ethnic Politics in Israel: the Margins and the Ashkenazi Center* in (New York: Routledge, 2009), in *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, Vol. 43 (August 2011), pp 581-583.
- Matthew Levitt, *Negotiating Under Fire: Preserving Peace Talks in the Face of Terror Attacks* (Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc. 2008) in *The Middle East Journal* Vol. 63, No. 2 (2009), pp. 322-323.
- Michele Penner Angrist, *Party Building in the Modern Middle East* (University of Washington Press, 2006) in *Review of Politics*, Vol. 70 (2008), pp. 116-118.
- Meir Zamir, *Haerez Hasaduk: Darka shel Levanon Le 'atzmaut* (first published in English as *Lebanon's Quest: The Road to Statehood 1926-1939* (London: I. B. Tauris, 1997) in *Hamizrah Hehadash*, 2006.

Work in Progress

- The Longest War: Israel in Lebanon 1982-2000. (book project)
- The 1983 Israel-Lebanon Agreement Reconsidered (paper to be submitted to a refereed journal).
- Sabra and Shatila: Remembering, Forgetting, Silencing (paper to be submitted to a refereed journal).

PRESENTATIONS

- "Lebanon, Israel and the Prospects of Peace?" Mitvim, The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies," June 19, 2016. **Invited**.
- "Colonial Cartography of the Levant," Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace, Hebrew University, Jerusalem. January 16, 2016. **Invited**.
- "Israeli Druze and the First Lebanon War (1982-2000)," MESA annual conference, Denver CO, November 20-24, 2015.
- "Place and Space in Middle East History: Bridging the 'Modern/Premodern' Divide," participant in a panel discussion, MESA annual conference, Washington DC, November 21-24, 2014.
- "The Israel-Lebanon borderlands and Peoples: 1982-2000," Association of Borderland Studies, Finland/Russia, June 9-14, 2014.
- 1914 and the History of the Modern Middle East, Participant in a panel discussion at Brandeis University, March 20, 2014. **(Invited)**
- "The Other Arab-Israeli Conflict: The Middle East in the Classroom," participant in a panel discussion at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, October 20, 2003. **(Invited)**
- "The 1983 Israeli-Lebanon reconsidered." Paper presented in the Middle East Studies Association, October 10-13, 2013.
- Colonial Cartography and the Making of Syria, Lebanon and Palestine/Israel. Invited paper for workshop "The Mashriq in the Age of

Late Imperialism,” at Princeton University, September 20-22, 2013
(Invited)

- “Between sealed and permeable borders, Tapline and the Arab-Israeli conflict,” The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. January 6, 2013 **(Invited)**.
- “The Trans-Arabian Pipeline (Tapline) and the Arab-Israeli Conflict,” Florida Association of Middle East Studies, Florida Atlantic University, November 17, 2012 **(Invited)**.
- “Contested boundaries, cartography and sovereignty: Israel's State and Nation-Building at its Northern Borders,” AIS annual conference, University of Haifa, June 25-27, 2012.
- “The Debate over Lebanon's Boundaries: Causes, Participants, and Major Issues,” Lebanon Faces the Future Colloquium, University of Chicago, April 30, 2012 **(invited)**.
- “Between Sealed and Permeable Borders: The Trans-Arabian Pipeline and the Arab Israeli Conflict,” MESA annual conference, December 1-4, 2011.
- “Syria, Lebanon and Israeli Border Dynamics,” The Economic Cooperation Foundation, Israel, December 16, 2010 **(invited)**.
- “Contested Boundaries: An Examination of the Syria-Lebanon-Israel Tri-Border Region,” The World Affairs Council of Houston, February 1, 2010**(Invited)**.
- “The Village of Ghajar: An: Examination of the Syria-Lebanon-Israel Tri-Border Region,” The Middle East Institute, Washington DC, October 27, 2009**(Invited)**.
- “The Syria, Lebanon, Israel Tri-Border Region in Historical Perspective,” lecture at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, May 1, 2009 **(Invited)**.
- “Hizbullah and Lebanon’s Sovereignty,” paper presented at an international conference, “The State of Sovereignty” Durham University, England, April 1-3, 2009.
- “Barack Obama and the Israeli Press” paper presented at a conference on New Horizons: Obama and the Global Press, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, February 23, 2009**(Invited)**.
- “Syrian-Lebanese Border Dynamics,” paper presented at an international conference in Jerusalem entitled “Jewish-Arab Relations: from Conflict to Reconciliation?” March 16, 2006.
- “Religion and the Arab-Israeli Conflict, a Reappraisal,” paper presented at the University of Notre Dame conference in Tantur, Jerusalem entitled “Whence the Heavenly Jerusalem? The Politics of Sacred Space and the Pursuit of Peace,” March 13-14, 2006.
- “Between Palestine and Lebanon: Seven Shi‘i Villages as a Case Study of Border Dynamics in the Middle East,” paper presented at the annual conference of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, November 22, 2005.
- “The Formation of Greater Lebanon Reconsidered,” paper presented at the annual conference of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, November 21, 2004.

- “Territoriality, Sectarianism and Identity: Shi‘i Palestinians as a Case Study,” paper presented at the Southwest regional conference on Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, The University of Arizona, August 6, 2004 .
- “‘Too Much French but a Swell Exhibit:’ Lebanon at the 1939 New York World’s Fair,” paper presented at the University of Arizona, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, October 15, 2003.
- “‘The Bed Has No Religion:’ Metaphors of Prostitution of Beirut in Novels and Cinema during the Lebanese Civil War,” paper presented at an international conference on Gendered Space in Middle Eastern Cultures and Societies, Hebrew University, June 11, 2003.
- “French Colonialism and the Arab-Israeli Conflict: A Case Study of its Impact on the Disputed Lebanon-Syria-Israeli Border Area,” paper presented at the University of Arizona, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Oct. 8, 2002.
- “Phoenicians, Arabs and What Lies Between,” paper presented at the World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES), Mainz, Germany, September 8-13, 2002.
- “The Multiple Identities of Lebanon,” paper presented at a seminar of the Department of Middle Eastern History, Haifa University, June 11, 2002 **(invited)**.
- “The Shebaa Farms Dispute as a Micro-History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict.” Paper presented at the Seminar of the Department of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, Hebrew University, May 6, 2002.
- “Bilingualism and National Identity in Lebanon,” paper presented at an international conference on “Language and Identity in Multi-Cultural Societies.” Tel Aviv University, May 5-6, 2002.
- “The Shebaa Farms: The View from Lebanon,” Paper presented at a conference entitled “Lebanon: a Decade After: from Civil War to Reconstruction.” Truman Institute, November 8, 2001.
- “Maurice Barrès and Lebanese Nationalism.” Paper presented at an international conference entitled “France in the Middle East: Past, Present and Future,” Hebrew University, April 29-30, 2001.
- “Collective Identities in the Middle East: the Case of Lebanon,” paper presented at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, February 7, 1999.

MEDIA PUBLICATIONS, INTERVIEWS AND ANALYSIS

- “As UN Troops Withdraw from Syrian Golan Heights, Stakes Increase for Israel and Lebanon,” Global Observatory, September 18, 2014 <http://theglobalobservatory.org/2014/09/capture-border-crossing-un-peacekeepers-syria-lebanon-israel-border/>
- Border of Syria, Israel, Lebanon, Shows Signs of War,” Global Observatory, June 6, 2012 <http://theglobalobservatory.org/analysis/514-porous-border-between-syria-lebanon-israel-begins-to-show-signs-of-war.html>

- Only Russia, China can stop carnage in Syria, CNN op-ed, May 28, 2012
<http://www.cnn.com/2012/05/28/opinion/kaufman-syria-violence/>
- Stop beating the drums of war, CNN op-ed, March 9, 2012
<http://www.cnn.com/2012/03/09/opinion/kaufman-israel-iran/index.html>
- Frequent Radio interviews with Ian Masters, Background briefing, KPFA, 2012-2014
- Radio interview with NPR, September 30, 2009
<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=111368610>
- Radio interview with Paul Weaver from WTRC radio in Elkhart, January 15, 2009
- Numerous radio and TV interviews in Israel 2000-2005

ND News wire

- Israeli party election, September 17, 2008 <http://newsinfo.nd.edu/news/9637/>
- Netanyahu “closed door” to negotiations, June 16, 2009
<http://newsinfo.nd.edu/news/11841/>
- New Mideast peace talks could lead to conflict within Israeli, Palestinian governments, September 2, 2010, <http://newsinfo.nd.edu/news/16594/>
- Leaked Palestinian papers mark negotiators’ first official willingness to leave communities under Israeli rule, January 24, 2011
<http://newsinfo.nd.edu/news/18200/>

TEACHING

Dissertation committees

- Samy Zaka, “Education and Civilization in the French Third Republic: The University of Saint-Joseph, 1875-1914,” graduated in 2006.
- Nidal Sliman, Reparations for Colonial Takings: Land Reform in Zimbabwe & South Africa, graduated in 2008 (Law School).
- Elizabeth Straus, "Do Not Cast Me Off in My Time of Old Age...": Older Jews in the Lodz Ghetto, 1939-1944." Graduated in 2013
- Ryne Clos, “A Long Road to Canaan: Capuchin Missionaries and the Delegates of the Word in Nicaragua’s Long Sixties.”
- Laura Weis, “Religion and religious perceptions in US foreign policy toward Iraq and Indonesia.”
- Matthew Chandler, “The Challenges of Nonviolent Action Successes and Failures of Civil Resistance in Egypt, 2011-2013.”
- Carl Shook (University of Chicago) The origins and development of Iraq’s international borders, 1918-1932: Imperialism and political geography in inter-war state building.

Senior theses advisor

- Ryan Burke (History): “Egypt’s Evolving Revolution (2006-2007)

- Jordan Runge (Political Science): “Hezbollah and Hamas: Social Welfare, Terrorism, and US Policy in the Middle East” (2007-2008)
- Teresa Rubinger (History) “The ‘Alawite State under French Mandate.’” (2013-2014)
- Nicholas Rader (History), A comparison between the sanctions movements against South Africa and Israel (2014-2015)

Courses taught at Notre Dame

- The Modern Middle East
- Israel/Palestine Conflict
- Peace Studies Senior Seminar
- Borders, Boundaries, Frontiers
- The Middle East and the West
- Introduction to Peace Studies
- Colonialism and its Legacies (graduate)
- State, Society, and Culture in Modern Israel
- Nationalism and National Movements in the Middle East
- Peace Studies: Organizing the Field (graduate)

Courses taught at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

- The Middle East in the 20th Century
- Social and Political Topics of the Modern Middle East (graduate)
- Modern Lebanon
- Modern Syria

SERVICE TO THE FIELD

- Member of the Committee of Academic Freedom, MESA.
- Reviewed book manuscripts for Cambridge University Press, Palgrave Macmillan, Routledge, Yale University Press, Georgetown University Press, I. B. Tauris.
- Peer reviewing for International Journal of Middle East Studies, Journal of Levantine Studies, Journal of Israel Studies, Mobilization, Arab Studies Journal, History Compass, Middle East Journal, Journal of Historical Geography, British Journal of Middle East Studies, Memory Studies.
- Senior editor for The Levantine Review.
<http://ejournals.bc.edu/ojs/index.php/levantine/index>
- Member of the editorial board of the book series of Lexington Books/Rowman & Littlefield: “The Levant and Near East.”

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA)
- The Middle East and Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI)