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Education

Ph.D., University of Michigan, History, 1998
M.A., University of Michigan, History, 1993
B.A., Oberlin College, English, 1989

Professional Appointments

Dean of the College, Brown University, 2014-
Professor of History and Judaic Studies, Brown University, 2014-
Director, Program in Judaic Studies, Brown University 2012-14
Associate Professor of History and Judaic Studies, Brown University, 2005-2014
Dorot Assistant Professor of Judaic Studies and Assistant Professor of History, Brown
University, 2001-2005
Dorot Visiting Assistant Professor, Modern Jewish History, Brown University, 1997-01
Instructor, University of Michigan, September-December 1996

Completed Research and Scholarship

Books

Muslims and Jews in France: The Genealogy of a Conflict. Princeton University Press, 2014.

In the Aftermath of Genocide: Armenians and Jews in Twentieth Century France. Durham & London: Duke University Press, 2003.

Chapters in books

“‘The French Jewish Community Speaks to you with One Voice’: Dissent and the Shaping of French Jewish Politics since World War II,” (co-written with Ethan Katz), *The Jews of Modern France*, ed. Zvi Jonathan Kaplan and Nadia Malinovich (Litmann Press, 2016).

“Street Riots and Jewish Politics: Anti-Jewish violence in Tunisia before Decolonization,” in *Colonialism and the Jews*, eds., Ethan Katz, Lisa Moses Leff, and Maud S. Mandel, forthcoming Indiana University Press, 2017.

“Simone Weil (1909-1943)” for *Thinking Jewish Modernity*, eds. Jacques Picard, Jacques Revel, Michael P. Steinberg, and Idith Zertal. Princeton University Press, 2016.

“The Encounter between ‘Native’ and ‘Immigrant’ Jews in post-Holocaust France: Negotiating Difference,” *Post-Holocaust France and the Jews, 1945-55*, ed. Stephen Katz. New York: New York University Press, 2015.

“The War Comes Home: Muslim/Jewish Relations in Marseille during the 1991 Gulf War,” *Israeli-Palestinian Conflict in the Francophone World*. New York: Routledge, 2010.

“Assimilation and Cultural Exchange in Modern Jewish History,” in Jeremy Cohen and Mose Rosman, eds., *Rethinking European Jewish History*. Oxford: Littman Library, 2008.

“Genocide and Nationalism: The Changing Nature of Jewish Politics in post-World War II France,” in Zvi Gitelman, ed., *The Emergence of Modern Jewish Politics: Bundism and Zionism in Eastern Europe*. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2003.

“Faith, Religious Practice, and Genocide: Armenians and Jews in France following World War I and II,” in Omer Bartov and Phyllis Mack, eds., *In God We Trust: Genocide, Religion, and Modernity*. Berghahn Press, 2001.

Articles

“Transnationalism and its Discontents during the 1948 Arab/Israeli War,” *Diaspora: A Journal of Transnational Studies*, 12, 3 (Winter 2003): 329-360.

“Philanthropy or Cultural Imperialism? The Impact of American Jewish Aid in post-Holocaust France,” *Jewish Social Studies*, 9, 1 (Fall 2002): 53-94.

Review Essays

“Universalism, Particularism and the Struggle to Fight Racism in France: A Review of *Aux Origines de l'Antiracisme: La LICA, 1927-1940*,” *Yad Vashem Studies* 42-1, (June 2014).

“One Nation Indivisible: Contemporary Western European Immigration Policies and the Politics of Multiculturalism,” *Diaspora: A Journal of Transnational Studies* 4, 1 (Spring 1995): 89-103.

Book reviews

“Universalism, Particularism and the Struggle to Fight Racism in France: A Review of *Aux Origines de l'Antiracisme: La LICA, 1927-1940*,” *Yad Vashem Studies* 42-1, (June 2014).

Sam Moyn, *A Holocaust Controversy: The Treblinka Affair in postwar France*, *The Journal of Modern History*, 80, 1 (March 2008): 168-70.

Joan Wolf, *Harnessing the Holocaust: The Politics of Memory in France*, *The Journal of Modern History* 78, 1 (March 2006): 230-2.

K.H. Adler's *Jews and Gender in Liberation France, H-France*, (July 2004).

Peter Balakian, *The Burning Tigris: The Armenian Genocide and America's Response*, *Brown Alumni Magazine* (March/April 2004): 59-60.

David Vital, *A People Apart: The Jews in Europe, 1789-1939*, *The Journal of Modern History*, 74, 3 (September 2002): 622-3.

Jonathan Frankel, *The Damascus Affair: 'Ritual Murder,' Politics, and the Jews in 1840*, *Jewish Quarterly Review* 90, 3-4 (January-April 2000): 489-492.

Lynn Rapaport, *Jews in Germany after the Holocaust: Memory, Identity, and Jewish-German Relations, Social Forces*, 77, 4 (June 1999).

Raymond H. Kévorkian, ed., *L'Extermination des déportés arméniens ottomans dans les camps de concentration de Syrie-Mésopotamie, (1915-1916)*, *Armenian Forum* 3 (Fall 1998).

Christopher Simpson, *The Splendid Blond Beast: Money, Law and Genocide in the Twentieth Century*, *Armenian Review* 45, 4/180 (Winter 1992).

Judith Friedlander, *Vilna on the Seine: Jewish Intellectuals in France Since 1968*, *Judaism* 41, 3 (Summer 1992).

Other Publications

“Strange Journey: A Response to Shmuel Trigano,” (co-written with Ethan B. Katz), *Jewish Review of Books* 6, 2 (Summer 2015), 47-8.

“Comparing Jewish History,” *Perspectives, The Newsletter of the Association for Jewish Studies* 1, 2 (2000).

Invited Lectures and Papers Read

“Is ‘Fraternity Possible: Muslim-Jewish Relations in Contemporary France—History and Reflections,” Einhorn Lecture, University of Illinois, March 27, 2017.

“Street Riots and Jewish Politics: Anti-Jewish violence in Tunisia before Decolonization,” University of Illinois, March 27, 2017.

“Understanding Muslim-Jewish Conflict in France: A Historical Overview,” Yale University, December 8, 2016.

“Is ‘Fraternity’ Possible: Muslim-Jewish Relations in Contemporary France—History and Reflections,” Manhattan College, November 15, 2016.

“After Paris: Antisemitism, Jewish-Muslim Relations, and the Future of French Jews,” Emory University, March 28, 2016.

“Understanding Muslim-Jewish Conflict in France: A Historical Overview,” University of Minnesota, March 31, 2016.

“The Birth and Death of French Pluriculturalism: A Tale of Muslim-Jewish Encounter,” University of Minnesota, March 31, 2016.

“Antisemitism and Islamophobia in post-Holocaust and post-Colonial Europe—An Entangled History,” keynote lecture, “On the Margins of the Holocaust: Jews, Muslims, and Colonialism in North Africa during the Second World War,” UCLA on November 15-16, 2015.

“Muslims and Jews in France: History of a Conflict,” Hebrew College, 23 April 2015.

“Muslims and Jews in France: History of a Conflict,” Middlebury College, 12 March 2015.

“Pour une histoire relationnelle des musulmans et des juifs en France,” Collège de France, Paris, 8 December 2014.

“Muslims and Jews in France: History of a Conflict,” Pears Institute for the Study of Antisemitism, London, 15 May 2014.

“Legislating Difference: Outsiders and Insiders in late Third Republic France,” Parliaments and Minorities: Ethnicities, Nations and Religions in Europe, 1848-1948, British Academy, 13-14 May 2014.

“Surviving Genocide: Armenians and Jews in 20th Century France,” Holocaust Memorial Center/Wayne State University, April 2014.

“Muslims and Jews in France: History of a Conflict,” Rhodes College, 24 March 2014.

“The Birth and Death of French Pluriculturalism: A Tale of Muslim/Jewish Encounter,” Yale University, November 20, 2013.

“Jewish Migration and the Formation of the 'North African Jew': 1948-1956,” Exodus or Exile? The Departure of Jews from Muslim Countries, 1948-1978, Yale University, October 4, 2013.

“Muslims and Jews in France: The Genealogy of a Conflict,” Rutgers University, 18 April 2013.

“Muslims and Jews in 20th Century France: Understanding Conflict,” Yale University Hillel, 10 April 2013.

“The French Jewish Community Speaks to you with One Voice: Dissent, Marginalization, and the Shaping of Communal Politics around Israel,” 44th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, December 2012

“Colonial Policies, Middle Eastern War, and City Spaces: Marseille in 1948,” University of Chicago, 5 December 2012.

“What's in a Riot? Tunisian Anti-Semitism, French Police, and International Jewish Politics in Tunis, June 1952,” Jewish History after the Imperial Turn: French and Comparative Perspectives,” Brown University, November 2012.

“Shaping Community from the Margins: French Jews and Leftist Politics in the latter half of the 20th Century,” Ann Arbor, Michigan, 23 April 2012.

“Restoration or Renewal? French Jews after the Holocaust,” Jews in France/ France and the Jews: 1945-1949, Boston University, 24 October 2011.

“Diaspora Identity in a Global World: Re-thinking Armenian and Jewish History in the 19th and 20th Centuries,” University of Michigan, 15 October 2011.

“Is *Fraternité* Possible? Muslims, Jews, and the Palestinian Question in France,” Jews and Muslims in France: The Challenge of Multiculturalism in Contemporary Europe, Georgetown University, 10-11 February 2010.

“Le conflit Palestine/Israël en France: Un regard sur 1967 et son impact sur les rapports inter-ethniques,” École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 24 March 2009.

“Je suis un Juif; mes voisins sont Arabes:” Les rapports entre les Juifs et les Musulmans à Marseille,” École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 17 March 2009.

Les rescapés du génocide: Une comparaison entre les communautés juifs et arméniens en France au 20ème siècle, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 10 March 2009.

“Each Algerian must Feel Palestinian”: 1967, 1968, and Muslim/Jewish Relations in France,” Ohio State University, May 2008.

"Nemirovsky in Context: French Jewish life before and during Occupation," Wellesley College, April 2008.

“Genocide, Diaspora and Homeland: Comparing Jewish and Armenian Survivor Communities in 20th Century France,” Bard College, March 2008.

“Beyond Antisemitism: Re-Thinking Muslim/Jewish Relations in France,” UMass Dartmouth, March 2008.

“Jewish/Muslim Relations in France: The Significance of 1967,” 39th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, December 2007.

“The Arab/Israeli Conflict in France: Muslims/Jews and the Origins of Ethnonationalism,” Center for European Studies, Harvard University, 4 October 2007.

“Assimilation and Cultural Exchange in Modern Jewish History,” UCLA Center for Jewish Studies and Hebrew College conference, “The Blessing of Assimilation” Reconsidered,” February 11-12, 2007, Newton MA.

“Who Influences Whom? The Politics of Jewish Assimilation in France,” Hebrew College, Newton MA, February 4, 2007.

“The Holocaust in French Historiography: Trends and Observations,” Lessons and Legacies Bi-Annual Conference, 2-5 November 2006.

“Re-thinking Jewish/Muslim Relations in Contemporary France: A Focus on 1967.” Cogut Center for the Humanities, Brown University, 23 February 2006.

“Rethinking Antisemitism: Jewish and Muslim Relations in Contemporary France,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 5-8 January 2006.

“Re-Imagined Communities: The Impact of American Jews in post-Holocaust France,” Re-thinking European Jewry, Tel Aviv, Israel, 4-6 January 2005.

“Reconstruction or Renaissance? French Jews and the Post-Holocaust Years,” French Historical Society Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, WI, April 2003.

“In the Wake of Destruction: Comparing Armenian and Jewish Survivor Communities in Modern France,” Institute of Contemporary History and the Wiener Library conference, “Generations of Genocide,” London, UK, 26-27 January 2002.

“Integrating into the Polity: The Problem of Inclusion After Genocide” Brandeis University, October 4, 2001.

“Rebuilding from Genocide: Comparing Ethnic and National Identities among Armenians and Jews in Modern France,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 6-9 January 2000.

"My Brother's Keeper: The Impact of American Jewry on post-World War II French Jewish Life," 30th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, December 1998.

“The Strange Silence: France, French Jews, and the Return to Republican Order following World War II,” Center for European Studies, Harvard University, 15 April 1998.

"Genocide and Nationalism: The Changing Nature of Jewish Politics in post-World War II France," A Century of Modern Jewish Politics: The Bund and Zionism in Poland and Eastern Europe, University of Michigan, February 1998.

"Faith, Religious Practice, and Genocide: Armenian and Jewish Religious Practices following World War I and II," United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Conference on Genocide, Religion, and Modernity, May 1997.

"*Le Juif inconnu*: France, French Jews, and the Legacy of World War II," 28th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, December 1996.

"Reconstruction or Renaissance: French Jews and the Post-Holocaust Years," 27th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, December 1995.

"*Apatride ou réfugié*: The Evolution of Post-World War I French Refugee Policy," The University of Illinois Interdisciplinary Conference on French Studies, March 1995.

"The Massacre of Ottoman Armenians and the Pro-Armenia Movement in France,"
University of Michigan Conference on The Sassoun Massacre: A Hundred Year
Perspective, September 1994.

Fellowships and Academic Honors

Fellowships

American Philosophical Society, 2009
American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), 2008-2009
Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, 2008-2009
Faculty Fellow, Cogut Center for the Humanities, Brown University, Winter 2006
Edwin and Shirley Seave Faculty Fellow, Pembroke Center, Brown University, 2005-6
American Historical Association, Schmitt Grant, Summer 2005
National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Stipend–Summer 2004
Watson Institute Middle East Research Initiative Grant, Brown University–2002-3
Solomon Research Grant, Brown University–Fall 2002
Rackham Dissertation Completion Grant–1995-96
Hewlett International Dissertation Grant–Summer 1995
Mellon Dissertation Fellowship–1994-95
National Foundation for Jewish Culture–1994-95 (declined)
Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture–1994-95
Mellon Candidacy Fellowship–Summer and Fall 1993

Awards

Herbert Katzki Award, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 2008
Women's Caucus, Association for Jewish Studies' Travel Award–Winter 1996
Wallenberg Graduate Fellowship Award, University of Michigan–Summer 1992

Teaching

Courses Taught

Problems in Twentieth Century Europe
Problems in Modern Jewish History
Minorities and States
Modern Jewish History, Society, and Politics
The Jews: History, Culture, Religion, 1492-contemporary times
The Jewish Problem: Emancipation and Acculturation into European Society
History of the Holocaust
History of Zionism and the Birth of Israel
Muslims and Jews

Becoming French: Minorities and the Challenges of Integration in the French Republic
 Memoirs and Memory: The Individual Experience of Modern Jewish Life
 The Jews in America
 Encounter Between East and West: The Immigrant Jewish Experience
 Women in Jewish Culture: Image and Status
 Comparing Genocide: Armenians and Jews in 20th Century Europe

Service

To the University

Director, Program in Judaic Studies, July 2012-June 2014
 Advisory Board, History of Brown Project, September 2013-
 MES Faculty Advisory Committee, 2013-14
 Childcare Planning Committee, April 2013-June 2015
 Search Committee, History, 2012-13 (Middle Eastern History); 2011-12 (British
 History); 2010 (Chair, pre-select, Middle East); 2003-4 (20th century America);
 2003 (“Target of Opportunity”); 2001-2 (British History)
 Faculty Advisory Board, Pembroke Center for Teaching and Research on Women,
 2011-14
 TEAM (Team Enhanced Advising and Mentoring), DOC, 2011-12 (leader, 2012-3)
 Chair, Committee for untenured faculty review, History, 2013; 20007
 Chair, Planning and Priorities Committee, History, 2013-
 Graduate Committee, Department of History, 2007-2008, 2011-12
 Concentration Advisor, Judaic Studies, 2001-2003; 2004-2007; 2011-13
 First year advisor, 1998-2000, 2004-2008, 2009-2010, 2011-13; Sophomore advisor,
 2004-2005, 2006-2009, 2012-13
 Internal Reviewer, Department of French Studies, Spring 2013
 Coordinator, Modern European History Workshop, 2011-13
 “The End of Modern Jewish History,” Brown Hillel/NYC, May 5, 2013
 Concentration Advisor, Department of History, 2011-12
 Committee for untenured faculty review, Judaic Studies, 2011-12
 Committee on Faculty Equity and Diversity (CFED), 2009-2012
 Development committee, Masters Program, Judaic Studies, 2011-12
 Search Committee, Judaic Studies, 2009-10 (Chair, Early Modern Jewish History);
 2005-6 (Contemporary Jewish Communities)
 Committee on Faculty Equity and Diversity (CFED), 2009-2012
 Chair, Committee on Diversity in Hiring, July 2007-8 (Committee member 2006-
 2007)
 Advisory Committee on Honorary Degrees, Jan. 2007-Dec. 2009
 Chair’s Executive Advisory Committee, History, 2009-2010
 Coordinator, Judaic Studies Faculty Seminar, 2000-2, 2009
 Co-coordinator, Judaic Studies Reading Group, 2009-2010
 Panel on the Goldstone Report, November 2009
 “Gaza in Europe,” Public event on the war in Gaza, January 2009

Tenure Committee, History, 2008-9
 Search Committee, Hillel Rabbi, 2008
 Speaker at Hillel functions, May 2004, November 2004, March 2008,
 Review Panel, Library Undergraduate Research Reward, March 2007
 Member, Ad-Hoc Committee for Preparation for the External Review, History,
 2006-7
 Chair, Academic Priorities Committee, History, 2005-2007
 Member, Curriculum Committee, Judaic Studies, 2005-2006
 Affirmative Action Representative, History and Judaic Studies, 2005-2006
 Member, Committee for untenured faculty review, 2006
 Member, Academic Priorities Committee, History, 2004-2005
 Member, Undergraduate Concentration Committee, Judaic Studies, Fall 2004
 Co-drafter of successful grant application for Wayland Endeavor Fellowship, 2003-2004
 Inaugural Presenter, "One Hundred Years of Holocausts," 13 October 2001
 Points on the Compass, September 1998, 1999

To the Profession

Tenure Review, Monash University (2016) Columbia University (2015); Vanderbilt University (2015); Harvard University (2014); University of South Carolina (2013); Rice University (2009); Kalamazoo College (2008); Brandeis University (2005).
 Roundtable participant, Researching Anti-Semitism in the Twenty-First Century: Dilemmas, Problematics, Opportunities, 44th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, December 2012.
 Reviewer, Grant Proposal, University of Missouri Research Board, Fall 2012.
 Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Bridging Cultures through Film: International Topics, 2012.
 Dissertation Committee, Department of History, Yale University, 2012-5
 Outside Reviewer, Prins Foundation Fellowship for Senior Scholars, Center for Jewish History, 2012, 2013.
 Article reviews: *Journal of Urban History* (2014) *French Politics, Culture & Society* (2014); *Gender and History* (2013); *French Historical Studies* (2012); *Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook* (2012); *Holocaust and Genocide Studies* (2012); *Jewish Social Studies* (2011, 2005); *International Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* (2011); *Cultural and Social History* (2010); *French Historical Studies* (2008); *Jewish Quarterly Review* (2010, 2007).
 Outside Reviewer, American Philosophical Society, Franklin Research Grant (2010-2012).
 Advisory Committee, Exhibition on Soviet Jewry at the Center for Jewish History, American Jewish Historical Society and Yeshiva University Museum, 2010-2013.
 Panel chair, Association for Jewish Studies, December 2011.
 Outside Reviewer, Dissertation Defense, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, 2009
 Outside Reviewer, Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships, Foundation for Jewish Culture, 2008, 2009.

Manuscript reviews: Palgrave Macmillan (2016); Cambridge University Press (2015); Indiana University Press (2013); University of Toronto Press (2013, 2009); Stanford University Press (2012, 2004); Littman (2009) Oxford University Press (2009); Yale University Press (2006); Blackwell Publishing (2005); Duke University Press (2003); University of Wisconsin Press (2003).

Outsider Reviewer, Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Field Research Fellowship competition, 2006-8.

Outsider reviewer, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2002).
Member (Invited), Academic Council, American Jewish Historical Society, 2005-
Member, American Historical Association
Member, Association for Jewish Studies

To the Community

Voices on Antisemitism Podcast, March 15, 2015, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, www.ushmm.org/antisemitism/voices

“Is ‘Fraternity Possible: Muslim-Jewish Relations in Contemporary France—History and Reflections,” Rhode Island Jewish Historical Society, 1 November 2009

“Jews and Muslims in France Today,” Facing History and Ourselves, 17 January 2007

“History of the Holocaust,” Me’ah Graduate Institute, Hebrew College, October-December 2006.

Academic Advisor for the Rhode Island Section of the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW)’s Public Project Grant, 2005-2006.

"Battling Bella"--She Fought the Good Fight...and the Fight for Good," Women's Alliance Rosh Hodesh Series, B'nai Israel, Woonsocket, 12 April 2005.

“Jews in 20th Century France,” Temple Emanu-El, Lunch and Learn, 24 January 2004.

“Comparing Genocide,” The Koffler Bornstein Families Institute of Jewish Studies, Temple Emanu-El, October-December 2001; January-March 2002.

“France, French Jews and the Return to Republican Order after World War II,” Temple Emanu-El, 24 January 1999.

Panel discussion, *Nine Armenians*, Trinity Theater, 10 October 1998.

“My Brother's Keeper: The American Influence on post-War French Jewry,” Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association, 17 May 1998.

Panel discussion of *Kindertransport*, NewGate Theater, 26 April 1998.

“France, French Jews, and the Impact of World War II,” Temple Emanu-El, 1 January 1998.