JACOB MERLIN

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. student, History of Judaism

University of Chicago Divinity School

Expected 2020

Chicago, IL

M.A. in Biblical Studies February 2010
Tel Aviv University, Department of Hebrew Culture Studies Tel Aviv, Israel

B.A. in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies

May 2007

Brandeis University, Department of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies

Waltham, MA

FELLOWSHIPS

Fuerstenberg Fellowship, University of Chicago (2017-2018)
Travel and Research Grant, Greenberg Center for Jewish Studies (2015, 2017)
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Summer 2015)
Melamdim Fellowship, Shalom Hartman Institute and Tel Aviv University (2007-2009)
Israel Travel Fellowship, Dorot Foundation (Summer 2005)
Bronfman Fellowship (2002-2003)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Frankel Jewish Academy, West Bloomfield, MI
A college preparatory Jewish day high school, August 2010-June 2012

• Taught year-long courses in Bible and medieval exegesis for grades 9-11

Genesis at Brandeis University, Waltham, MA A summer institute for high school students integrating academics, Jewish studies and community building, Summer 2010

• Taught a Bible course and mentored participants in residence halls

Alexander Muss Institute for Israel Education, Hod Hasharon, Israel A secondary school program in Israel for American high school students, Fall 2008

• Taught a rabbinics course for grade 11

Ramah High School in Israel, Jerusalem, Israel A secondary school program in Israel for American high school students, Spring 2008 and Spring 2009

• Taught Bible courses for grades 10-11

ACTIVITIES

Hillel at Brandeis University

The foundation for Jewish life on the campus of Brandeis University President, April 2006-April 2007

- Oversaw more than twenty constituent groups
- Supervised an executive board, facilitated leadership development, and served in conflict resolution and advisory roles

REFERENCES

Available upon request.