**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Education**

2019-present enrolled in M.A. Digital Humanities program (16/30 credits)  
CUNY Graduate Center

1987-2001 PhD: Ancient Judaism

New York University, Skirball Dept. of Hebrew and Judaic Studies  
Dissertation: “4QpNah (4Q169, Pesher Nahum): A Critical Edition with Commentary, Historical Analysis, and In-depth Study of Exegetical Method.”  
Supervisor: Prof. Lawrence H. Schiffman

1985-1988 B.A./M.A., magna cum laude

Yeshiva University, combined program for Bachelors (Stern College for Women) and Masters (Bernard Revel Graduate School)

B.A.: “shaped major,” Semitic Studies and Archaeology  
M.A.: Jewish Studies

**Academic Awards**

2005-2006 Yad Hanadiv Fellowship for research at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem

1994-1995 Fulbright Fellowship for study at The Hebrew University, Jerusalem

1993-1994 Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Dissertation Fellowship

1988 Interuniversity Fellowship for study at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem

1987-1988 NYU Developmental Fellowship (full tuition and stipend)

1987 Yeshiva University (SCW) Belkin Award in Judaic Studies

1987 Christina M. Dunkle Award: CUNY Intensive Greek Program

**Language Proficiency**

**Primary Resource Languages**: Classical Hebrew, Biblical and Talmudic Aramaic, Classical Greek, introductory level Ge’ez

**Modern** **Languages**: Modern Hebrew (fluent), German (Level B1), French (reading proficiency), Modern Literary Arabic (1 yr. undergraduate study)

**Employment**

2015 – 2019 Professor, Chair of Hebrew Bible and Biblical Exegesis; Abraham Geiger Rabbinical College and the School of Jewish Theology, University of Potsdam

2013 – 2015 Qumran Studies Fellowship; Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Seminar für Altes Testament

2010 – 2013 Researcher; Israel Antiquities Authority, Dept. of Dead Sea Scrolls

2007 – 2011 Visiting and Adjunct Lecturer; Israel (various institutions: Hebrew University, Rothberg International School; Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies; Schocken Institute for Jewish Studies; University of the Holy Land; Ariel University Center)

2003 – 2007 Lecturer and Coordinator for Biblical Studies; University of Sydney, Dept. of Hebrew, Biblical, and Jewish Studies

2000 – 2002 Adjunct Assistant Professor in Jewish Studies; Yeshiva University, New York  
 Additional courses taught at: University of Connecticut, Stamford, Dept. of Judaic and Middle Eastern Studies; Hunter College, City College of New York, Dept. of Classical and Oriental Studies; Drisha Institute for Jewish Education, New York

1999 – 2000 Sam and Vivienne Cohen Lecturer in Hebrew Bible, London School of Jewish Studies

1999 Instructor, Dead Sea Scrolls, New York University, Skirball Dept. of Hebrew and Judaic Studies

1994 – 1995 Research assistant for Lawrence H. Schiffman, *Texts and Traditions: A Source Reader for the Study of Second Temple and Rabbinic Judaism* (NY: Ktav, 1998).

**Third Party Funding:**  
  
Scripta Qumranica Electronica. See below, under Digital Projects. 1.6 million euros DIP award. 1 year of funding awarded for University of Potsdam student assistant Jan Fritzsche, 2015-2016. Also, supported successful funding application for Princeton University student Ricki Heicklen to join the project as a temporary intern, leading to her 2017 award for “Best Poster” for computer science independent work.  
  
*Deutsch-Jüdische Bibelwissenschaft* conference. See below, under academic service and publications. 4500 euros awarded by Fritz Thyssen Foundation.

**Publications**

**Monograph:**

*The Pesher Nahum Scroll from Qumran: An Exegetical Study of 4Q169*, Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah 53 (Leiden: Brill, 2004).

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| **Articles in Refereed Journals:** “Professional Ethics, Provenance, and Policies: A Survey of Dead Sea Scrolls Scholars,” with Rick Bonnie, Matthew Goff, Jutta Jokiranta, and Suzie Thomas, *Dead Sea Discoveries* 27.2 (2020): 257-293 <https://doi.org/10.1163/15685179-02702001> “The Songs of Miriam, Deborah, Hannah, and Rebecca (Bunch),” *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies* 19.1 (2020): 6-28. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14725886.2019.1703350>  “Knowing the Heart of the Stranger: Empathy, Remembrance, and Narrative in Jewish Reception of Exodus 22:21, Deuteronomy 10:19, and Parallels,” *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 72.2 (2018): 119–31. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0020964317749540> |  |

“Attitudes to Gentiles in the Minor Prophets and in Corresponding Pesharim,” with Anselm Hagedorn, *Dead Sea Discoveries* (*DSD*) 20.3 (2013): 472–509.

“Pesher and Periodization,” *DSD* 18.2 (2011): 129–154.

“Covenantal Election in 4Q252 and Jubilees’ Heavenly Tablets,” *DSD* 18.1 (2011): 74–89.

“The ‘Hidden’ and the ‘Revealed’: Progressive Revelation of Law and Esoterica,” *Meghillot* 7 (2010): 157–90 [Hebrew].

“Qumran Pesharim and the Pentateuch: Explicit Citation, Overt Typologies, and Implicit Interpretive Traditions,” *DSD*16.2 (2009): 190–220.

“Anti-semitism, Assimilation, and Ancient Jewish Apologia: the Story of the Exodus in the Writings of Josephus Flavius,” *Journal of the Australian Association for Jewish Studies* (2005): 20–34.

“Secondary Biblical Citations in Pesher Nahum,” *DSD* 11.1 (2004): 1–11.

**Chapters in Books:**

“Coping with Dissonance: Theodicy, Epistemology, and Genre in the Psalms of Solomon,” in *Proceedings of the Second International Meeting on the Psalms of Solomon (Centre Sèvres, July 7-9 2015)*. Edited by Patrick Pouchelleet al*.*,Early Judaism and Its Literature (submitted; forthcoming [anticipated 2020]).

“Mourning for and by Sarah in Genesis 23–24: Analysis of Biblical Receptions in Light of Contemporary Bereavement Research,” in *Vom Umgang mit Verlust und Trauer im Judentum* / *Loss and Mourning in the Jewish Tradition*. Edited by Stephan Probst (Berlin: Hentrich & Hentrich, 2018), 232-66.

“Dignity Therapy and the Case of the Testaments of Abraham: Biblical and Early post-Biblical Precursors to Chochinov’s Generativity Documents,” in *Die Begleitung Kranker und Sterbender im Judentum: Bikkur Cholim, jüdische Seelsorge und das jüdische Verständnis von Medizin und Pflege*. Edited by Stephan Probst (Berlin: Hentrich & Hentrich, 2017), 64–108.

“Textuality and Identity in Qumran Isaiah Pesharim,” in *Transmission and Interpretation of the Book of Isaiah in the Context of Intra- and Interreligious Debates*. Edited by Florian Wilk and Peter Gemeinhardt, BETL 280 (Leuven: Peeters, 2016), 133–66.

“Qumran Communities—Then and Now,” in *Keter Shem Tov: Essays on the Dead Sea Scrolls in Memory of Alan Crown*. Edited by Shani Tzoref and Ian Young, Perspectives on Hebrew Scriptures and its Contexts 20 (NJ: Gorgias Press, 2013), 17–55.

“4Q252: Listenwissenschaft and Covenantal Patriarchal Blessings,” in *“Go Out and Study the Land” (Judges 18:2): Archaeological, Historical, and Textual Studies in Honor of Hanan Eshel*. Edited by Aren Maeir, Jodi Magness, and Lawrence H. Schiffman, JSJSup 148 (Leiden: Brill, 2012), 335–57.

“Use of Scripture in ‘The Community Rule’,” in *A Companion to Biblical Interpretation in Early Judaism*. Edited by Matthias Henze (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012), 203–34.

“Theme and Genre in 4Q177 and its Scriptural Selections,” with Mark Laughlin, in *The Mermaid and the Partridge. Essays from the Copenhagen Conference on Revising Texts from Cave Four*. Edited by George Brooke and Jesper Høgenhaven, STDJ 96 (Leiden: Brill, 2011), 169–89.

“The ‘Hidden’ and the ‘Revealed’: Esotericism, Election and Culpability in Qumran and Related Literature,” in The Dead Sea Scrolls at 60: Scholarly Contributions of New York University Faculty and Alumni. Edited by Lawrence H. Schiffman and Shani Tzoref. STDJ 89 (Leiden: Brill, 2010), 299–324.

“‘Heavenly Tablets’ in the Book of Jubilees,” in *Anafim;* *Proceedings of the Australasian Jewish Studies Forum Held at Mandelbaum House, University of Sydney*. Edited by Suzanne Faigan, (Sydney: Mandelbaum College Pub., 2006), 29–47.

“‘Pesher Nahum,’ ‘Psalms of Solomon’ and Pompey,” in *Reworking the Bible: Apocryphal and Related Texts at Qumran. Proceedings of a Joint Symposium by the Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Associated Literature and the Hebrew University Institute for Advanced Studies Research Group on Qumran, 15–17 January, 2002*. Edited by Esther G. Chazon, Devorah Dimant, and Ruth A. Clements *STDJ* 58. (Leiden: Brill, 2005), 65–84.

“Qumran Pesharim,” in *Biblical Interpretation at Qumran*. Edited by Matthias Henze (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2005), 110–33.

“Lemma/Pesher Correspondence in Pesher Nahum,” in *The Dead Sea Scrolls Fifty Years After Their Discovery: Proceedings of the Jerusalem Congress, July 20–25, 1997*. Edited by Lawrence H. Schiffman, Emanuel Tov, and James C. VanderKam (Jerusalem: Israel Exploration Society, 2000), 341–50.

**Dictionary Entries:**

“4QPesherNahum,” “4QFlorilegium,” “Genesis Commentaries,” in T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism. Edited by Loren Stuckenbruck and Daniel M. Gurtner. (London: T&T Clark, anticipated, 2019).

“Pesharim” in *Companion to the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Edited by George J. Brooke and Charlotte Hempel. (Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 2018), 335–38.

“Copper Scroll,” “Halakhic Letter (MMT),” “Thanksgiving Scroll,” and “War Scroll,” in *Routledge Dictionary of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*. Edited by Eric Orlin et al. (London: Routledge, 2016), 208, 384, 994, 1000.

“Pesher on Nahum,” in *Outside the Bible: Ancient Jewish Writings Related to Scripture*. Edited by Louis H. Feldman, James L. Kugel, and Lawrence H. Schiffman (Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 2013), 1:623–25.

“Paleography in the Dead Sea Scrolls,” in *Encyclopedia of Hebrew Language and Linguistics*. Edited by Geoffrey Khan et al. (Leiden: Brill, 2013), 3:1–3.

“Pesharim,” in *The Eerdmans Dictionary of Early Judaism*. Edited by John J. Collins and Daniel C. Harlow (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2010), 1053–55.

“Pesharim,” and “Pesher Nahum,” in *Oxford Encyclopedia of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Edited by James C. VanderKam and Lawrence H. Schiffman (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000), 2:644–47, 653–54.

**Reviews:**

Review of Ariel Feldman, *The Dead Sea Scrolls: Rewriting Samuel and Kings. Texts and Commentary*. (Berlin De Gruyter, 2015), in Theologische Literaturzeitung 142 (2017): 898.

Review of Devorah Dimant, *Connected Vessels: The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Literature of the Second Temple Period* (Jerusalem: The Bialik Institute, 2010), in *DSD* (2015): 235–39.

Review of *The Dead Sea Scrolls: Transmission of Traditions and Production of Texts*i. Series: Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah 92. Edited by Sarianna Metso, Hindy Najman, and Eileen Schulle, (Leiden: Brill, 2010), in *JSJ* (2013): 109–10.

Review of *The Dead Sea Scrolls: Texts and Context* (Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah 90. Edited by Charlotte Hempel, (Leiden: Brill, 2010), in *Strata, Bulletin of the Anglo-Israel Archaeological Society* 30 (2013): 164–68.

Review of Weston W. Fields, *The Dead Sea Scrolls: A Full History, Volume 1* (Leiden: Brill, 2009), in *JSJ*43 (2012): 91–92.

Review of Jonathan G. Campbell, *The Exegetical Texts,* Companion to the Qumran Scrolls 4; London: T&T Clark), in *DSD* 18 (2011): 250–52.

Review of Hagit Allon and Lena Zehavi, *The Mystery of the Dead Sea Scrolls* (Philadelphia: JPS, 2004) in *DSD* 18 (2011): 107–8. Co-authored with Miriam Charak.

Review of Jonathan Klawans, *Purity, Sacrifice, and the Temple: Symbolism and Supersessionism in the Study of Ancient Judaism* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2005), in *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 26 (2008): 170.

Review of Sara Raup Johnson, *Historical Fictions and Hellenistic Identity: Third Maccabees in Its Cultural Context*, Hellenistic Culture and Society 43, (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2004), in *Journal of Religious History* 31 (2007), 490–91.

Review of Sacha Stern, *Time and Process in Ancient Judaism* (Oxford: Littman Library, 2003) in *Australian Journal of Jewish Studies* 19 (2005), 146–48.

Review of *Calliope: World History for Young People. The Dead Sea Scrolls*. (N.H. Cobblestone, Dec. 2001 [vol. 12]) in *DSD* 11 (2004): 111–13.

Review of James H. Charlesworth, *The Pesharim and Qumran History: Chaos or Consensus* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002): in *Review of Biblical Literature* (2004) <http://www.bookreviews.org/bookdetail.asp?TitleId=2056>.

**Editing: Multi-authored volumes**

*Deutsch-Jüdische Bibelwissenschaft – Beiträge der internationalen Fachtagung, 26.-27. September 2016, Potsdam*, edited with Daniel Vorpahl and Sophia Kähler. Europäisch-jüdische Studien (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2019).

*Surveys, Discoveries, and Explorations: Selected Essays on the Dead Sea Scrolls by Hanan Eshel*, edited with with Barnea Selavan. JAJSup 18 (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2015).

*Keter Shem Tov*: *Essays on the Dead Sea Scrolls in Memory of Alan Crown*, edited with Ian Young. Perspectives on Hebrew Scriptures and its Contexts 20 (NJ: Gorgias, 2013).

*The Hebrew Bible in Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls*, with Armin Lange, Kristin de Troyer, and Nóra Dávid. FRLANT 239 (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2011).

*The Dead Sea Scrolls and Contemporary Culture*. *Proceedings of the International Conference held at the Israel Museum, Jerusalem (July 6-8, 2008)*, edited with Adolfo Roitman and Lawrence H. Schiffman. STDJ 93 (Leiden: Brill, 2011).

*Halakhah in Light of Epigraphy*, edited with Albert I. Baumgarten, Hanan Eshel, and Ranon Katzoff. JAJSup 3 (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2011).

*The Dead Sea Scrolls at 60: The Scholarly Contributions of NYU Faculty and Alumn*i, edited with Lawrence H. Schiffman. STDJ 89 (Leiden: Brill, 2010).

**Editing: Monographs**

Regev, Eyal. ch. 2 of *The Hasmoneans: Ideology, Archaeology, Identity.* Journal of Ancient Judaism Supplements 10, Göttingen, Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2013.

Kulik, Alexander, [*3 Baruch: Greek-Slavonic Apocalypse of Baruch*. Berlin—New York: Verlag Walter de Gruyter, 2010.](https://www.academia.edu/6995785/3_Baruch_Greek-Slavonic_Apocalypse_of_Baruch._Berlin_New_York_Verlag_Walter_de_Gruyter_2010_)

**TRANSLATION (Hebrew to English)**

Viezel, Eran. “Context, Harmonization, and the Uniqueness of the Commentaries to the Book of Chronicles.” *Jewish Studies Quarterly* 22 (2015): 1–35.

Viezel, Eran. “R. Judah he-Hasid or R. Moshe Zaltman: who proposed that Torah verses were written after the time of Moses?” *Journal of Jewish Studies* 66(1) (2015): 97-115

Viezel, Eran. “The Secret of the Popularity of Rashi’s Commentary on the Torah.” *Review of Rabbinic Judaism* 17.2 (2014): 207–217.

Viezel, Eran. "סַנְסִנָּיו (sansinnāyw; Song of Songs 7:9) and the Palpal Noun Pattern." *Journal of Biblical Literature* 133:4 (2014): 751-756.

Viezel, Eran. “Targum Onkelos in Rashi’s Exegetical Consciousness 1.” *Review of Rabbinic Judaism* 15.1 (2012): 1–19.

Viezel, Eran. “The Influence of Realia on Biblical Depictions of Childbirth.” *Vetus Testamentum* 61.4 (2011): 685–689.

Shamir, Orit, and Naama Sukenik. “Qumran Textiles and the Garments of Qumran's Inhabitants.” *Dead Sea Discoveries*, vol. 18, no. 2, 2011, pp. 206–225.

Viezel, Eran. “A Note to. [wa-ye‘azzeqehû](https://www.academia.edu/7544997/wa-ye_azzeqeh%C3%BB_Isaiah_5_2_) (Isaiah 5,2).” *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 123.4 (2011): 604–607.

Viezel, Eran. “The Formation of Some Biblical Books, According to Rashi.” *The Journal of Theological Studies* 61.1 (2010): 16–42.

**Digital Resources**

*SQE* (*Scripta Qumranica Electronica*).

The basis of the project was the construction of an integrated platform for open access to the images and texts of the Dead Sea Scrolls, through merging the image database of the Leon Levy Digital Dead Sea Scrolls of the Israel Antiquities Authority with the lexical database of the University of Göttingen’s Qumran Wörterbuch, and developing tools for advanced material philological analysis of the scrolls and their composition and transmission history. The project, funded by a 1.6 million euro DIP grant, is an expansion of a previous proposal for an interactive digital edition of the Damascus Document that I prepared with Peter Porzig at the University of Göttingen in 2014.

<https://www.qumranica.org/blog/?page_id=556>.

*Darsheni*

This is a preliminary platform for a pedagogical resource devoted to the 13 Hermeneutical Principles of R. Ishmael, prepared under my supervision by M.A. and rabbinical student, Josh Weiner. The long-term aim of the project is the creation of a comprehensive database that will enable systematic analysis of the logic underlying rabbinic use of exegetical techniques, and a comparison of rabbinic self-representation of legal argumentation with external analysis of that argumentation. [link is temporarily disabled]

*Leon Levy Dead Sea Scrolls Digital Library,* Israel Antiquities Authority

From 2010-2013 Iled the academic research for the creation of the digital library, improving and maintaining the IAA State Collections’ database and working with Google Inc. to integrate the database in the first version of the website, providing full access to all images with search capabilities and robust recording of metadata. See <https://www.deadseascrolls.org.il/home>; <https://www.deadseascrolls.org.il/about-the-project/credits>

*Virtual Qumran Tour, Orion Center for the Study of Dead Sea Scrolls and Related Literature*

Consultant, Author, and Editor for the website content of <http://virtualqumran.huji.ac.il/>; <http://virtualqumran.huji.ac.il/Acknowledgements.htm>.

**Conference Papers:**

2019

“Prayer and Prophecy. Psalms as Liturgy and Scripture in Qumranic and Medieval Jewish Exegesis,”International Horizons in Psalms and Psalms Studies, International Colloquium in Memory of Erich Zenger. Jerusalem, 29-31 July.

“Form-Critical Approaches to the Psalms of Ascent,” Internationalen Jüdisch-Christlichen Bibelwoche. Keynote Lecture. Osnabrück, Germany, 30 July.

2018

“*Raz* and *Ruqma*: Changing the Community Rules,” Qumran unit on Professional Standards and Ethics, Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting. Helsinki, 30 July-3 August.

“Wisdom, Folly, and Zion in the Qumran Corpus: Towards an Evolutionary Analysis of Feminine Conceptualizations,” and workshop on *Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice*. Qumran-Nag Hammadi Conference. Berlin, 20-22 July.

“Prophecy and Qumran,” Prophecy and Hellenism: Aberdeen Prophecy Network. Jena, 18-19 June.

“Children, Women, and Men in the Psalms of Solomon,” The Psalms of Solomon: A Neglected Witness of Jewish Piety at the Roman Period and its Reception in Early Christianism. University of Aix-en-Provence (Centre Paul Albert Février), 9-11 July.

“Towards a Methodology for the Use of Biblical Narrative in Pastoral Care: The Case of Abraham and Sarah and End-of-Life,” SEFER International Conference on Jewish Studies. Moscow, 4-6 February.

2017

with Netanel Olhoeft. “Pesher Habakkuk Through the Lenses of Medieval Jewish Peshat Exegesis: A Re-Focus,” The Dead Sea Scrolls Seventy Years Later; Manuscripts, Traditions, Interpretation, and Their Biblical Context. The John Paul I Catholic University of Lublin, 24-26 October.

“Draw from the past, live in the present, work for the future”: Biblical Studies in an Interdisciplinary Context at the School of Jewish Theology, University of Potsdam,”   
EABS Workshop “E pluribus unum? Multidisciplinarity in Jewish Studies Program and Teaching.” Girona, 28-29 May.

“Dignity Therapy and the Case of the Testaments of Abraham: Biblical and Early post-Biblical Precursors to Chochinov’s Generativity Documents,” End-of-Life: Jewish Perspectives 2, Zentrum Jüdische Studien. Berlin. 27-30 April.

# 2016

# “Scripta Qumranica Electronica and the Use of Scripture in the Damascus Document,” SBL Annual Meeting. San Antonio, TX.

# 2015

# “Theodicy and Genre in the Psalms of Solomon,” Second International Meeting on the Psalms of Solomon. Paris, Centre Sèvres.

# Workshop on *The Damascus Document*, Halle-Tel Aviv Research Seminar in Ancient Hebrew Language and Literature. Third Meeting: Texts from the Judean Desert. Halle.

2014

“Categorizing Heavenly Records; Laws, Lists, Deeds, and Destiny,” Symposium: “Relating Texts, Considering Categories: Charting Connections between Dead Sea Scrolls. Leuven.

“A Literary Fugue in Leviticus 25-27: Sabbaths, Servitude, Covenant, and Redemption,” International SBL (EABS). Vienna.

“The Beginning of the End is the Middle: The Historicization of Leviticus 25's Jubilee,” Workshop on “Dead Sea Scrolls and History-A Reassessment,” the Groningen-Leuven-Helsinki-Göttingen Network. Göttingen.

# “The Temple Scroll as Prequel and Interquel,” SBL Annual Meeting. San Diego.

2013

“4Q271: טקסט, מסורת ומגמה כמעצבי פרשנות,” Meghillot Workshop, University of Haifa.

“Portrayals of Gentiles in the Pesharim to the Minor Prophets,” International Organization for Qumran Studies. Munich.

“Reading 4Q175 as a ‘proto-Petihta’ on the Leadership Pericope of Deuteronomy 17-18,” Dead Sea Scrolls Meeting Groningen-Leuven-Helsinki-Göttingen Network at the Qumran Institute, Groningen.

“The 'Testimonies’ Ascribed to the Heavenly Tablets in the Book of Jubilees,” SBL Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD.

“The Heavenly Tablets in the Book of Jubilees,” Seminar, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München.

2012

“Textuality and Identity in the Qumran Pesharim on Isaiah,” International Conference on Transmission and Interpretation of the Book of Isaiah in the Context of Intra- and Interreligious Debates. Göttingen.

2011

“Realism, Nominalism, Subjectivism, and Gynephobia: Qumran Texts and Josephus on the Faithfulness of Women,” SBL International Meeting. London.

“Qumran Communities--Past and Present,” Dead Sea Scrolls Conference in Memory of Emeritus Professor Alan Crown. University of Sydney.

2009

“Pesher Nahum,” International Symposium on Dead Sea Scrolls, “Qumran Cave 4 Texts Reconsidered,” University of Copenhagen.

“4Q252 and the Heavenly Tablets,” World Congress of Jewish Studies. Jerusalem.

“The Pesharim and the Pentateuch: Explicit Citations, Overt Typologies, and Implicit Interpretation,” The Dead Sea Scrolls at 60: The Scholarly Contributions of NYU Faculty and Alumni. New York.

2007

“Portraits and Mirrors: Joshua in Biblical and Post-Biblical Texts,” Annual Meeting of the Australian Association for Jewish Studies. Sydney.

“A Literary Fugue in Leviticus 25-27: Divine Sovereignty, Sabbath Observance, and Reverence for the Sanctuary,” 25th International Conference on Hebrew Language, Literature and Culture of the **National Association of Professors of Hebrew**, Sydney.

2006

“Destiny, Testimony, and Textualism in Jubilees’ Heavenly Tablets,” Jonas C. Greenfield Scholars’ Seminar, Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Related Literature. Jerusalem.

“הנגלות והנסתרות: התגלות מתקדמת בתחומי החכמה והחוק במגילות קומראן ובספר יובלים,” Meghillot Workshop, University of Haifa.

2005

“Anti-semitism, Assimilation, and Ancient Jewish Apologia,” Annual Meeting of the Australian Association for Jewish Studies. Sydney.

# 

# “Polemic Rhetoric in Pesher Nahum and Psalms of Solomon,” Australian Centre for Numismatic Studies, Macquarie University: “Hellenistic Kingdoms in the Levant”. Sydney.

“’Revealed’ and ‘Hidden’ Law; Esotericism, Election, and Culpability in Qumran and Related Literature,” SBL Annual Meeting. Philadelphia.

2004

“Priestly Pseudepigrapha: Jubilees, ‘Heavenly Tablets,’ and the Pentateuch,” SBL Annual Meeting. San Antonio, TX.

2003

“*Lo va-shamayim hi*: Jubilees, ‘Heavenly Tablets’ and the Pentateuch,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies. Boston.

2002

“A Shared Interpretive Tradition in Psalms of Solomon and Pesher Nahum,” 7th International Conference of the Orion Center for the Study of Dead Sea Scrolls and Associated Literature. Jerusalem.

2001

“‘Ephraim’ in Pesher Nahum,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies. Washington DC.

“The Use of Secondary Biblical Sources in “Pesher Nahum,” World Congress of Jewish Studies. Jerusalem.

2000

“Further Testimony on ‘2 or 3 witnesses’ at Qumran,” Wolfson College, Oxford University.

1997

“Lemma/Pesher Correspondence in Pesher Nahum,” The Jerusalem Congress, The Dead Sea Scrolls Fifty Years After Their Discovery. Jerusalem.

**Panel Participation:**

2017

American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting: “Toilet Justice: Peeing and the Politics of Marginalized Bodies.”

Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference: “Eros and Thanatos: Recontextualization, Gender, and the Songs of Miriam, Hannah, Deborah, and Rebecca (Bunch)” for panel “Playing with Canon: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Creative (Re)presentation and (Re)construction of Jewish Identity in ‘Crazy Ex-Girlfriend’ and Ancient Jewish Textual Traditions”; Moderator for roundtable, “Remembering Louis H. Feldman”.

2016

Respondent for session, “Topos and Logos,” conference on Evolving Textuality: Sacred Writing Through the Ages, The Hebrew University.

**Academic Service, including conference organization:**

2017-2019 Chair of History of Biblical Scholarship in the Late Modern Period unit, for International meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Created unit. Manage general unit sessions, organizing joint sessions with local planning committee: on German scholarship (Berlin, 2017; with unit co-chair Paul Michael Kurtz), Nordic scholarship (Helsinki, 2018), Italian scholarship (Rome, 2019). In 2017, sessions included: *Jewish Biblical Scholarship in Berlin, Orthodox Jewish Responses to Biblical Criticism*, with a reception by Abraham Geiger College and an exhibit on Rabbi Regina Jonas.

2017-2018 Member of the steering committee for the unit on Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls for SBL International Meeting. Co-organized sessions on: *Tracing and Facing Possibility of Forgeries: Methodology, Ethics, Policies*.

2015-2018 Member of the steering committee for The Hebrew Bible and Political Theory, SBL Annual Meeting.

2015-2018 Conducted Staff and Staff-Student meetings at the Abraham Geiger College.

2015-2018 Member of the academic board of the Abraham Geiger College.

2015-2018 Representative of the Abraham Geiger College at the Selma Stern Center for Jewish Studies Berlin-Brandenburg.

2017 Member of Forums Religionen im Kontext, University of Potsdam.

September 26-27, 2016. Organized international conference, *German-Jewish Bible Scholarship*, University of Potsdam. For the conference volume, see above, under Publications.

**Invited Lectures** (selected):

2019

“Judentum: Traditionelle Auslegung von Tanach und Talmud und ihre feministisch-theologische Interpretation," Ringvorlesung, “Geschichte, Politik und Ethik des Schwangerschaftsabbruchs,” University of Potsdam.

2018

“Fear of Marriage in Ancient Jewish Writings: Text, Tradition, and Tendenz,” Semester opening, Theologische Fakultät, Universität Rostock.

2017

“Speaking (Veiled) Truth to Power: Biblical Insights towards Empathy and Restorative Justice,” Jewish Activism Summer School, University of Potsdam.

2016

“Fear of Marriage in Ancient Jewish Writings,” Ringvorlesung: Women and Religion, University of Tübingen, Center for Islamic Theology.

# “Re-Viewing the Telling and Re-Telling of Torah: Narratology as a Tool for Biblical Studies,” Zentrum Jüdische Studien, Berlin-Brandenburg.

# “The Motif of Dreams in Second Temple Literature,” Berlin—Oxford Summer School: New Perspectives on the Joseph Story, Humboldt University.

“Der-biblische-Kanon-aus-jüdischer-und-protestantischer-Sicht,”

Theologischen Tage, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg.

# 2015

# “Re-Viewing the Telling and Re-Telling of Torah: Applying the Lens of Narratology to Deuteronomy and the Temple Scroll,” Hochschule für Jüdische Studien, Heidelberg.

# “Temple Scroll as Midquel and Prequel: A Narratological and Exegetical Approach,” Berlin Summer School: Writing and Textuality in Jewish and Christian Antiquity, Humboldt University.

“Philology, Theology, and Autobiography: *Torah Lishma*,*”* Semester opening, University of Potsdam, Religious Studies.

**Popular lectures and publications (selected)**

**Lectures:**  
  
Periodically 1999–2018: Limmud International Conferences (<https://limmud.org/>); participation and presentations in UK, Australia, Germany;

2015 “The Parting of the Ways: What we learn from Dead Sea literature,” The Jerusalem Rainbow Group for Interreligious Study and Dialogue (<https://rainbow-jerusalem.org/past-meetings/>).

2014 “When We Pray—Prayer as a marker of time,” Elijah Summer School and Interreligious Leadership Seminar, Jerusalem.  
  
2001 “Qumran Pesher,” Smithsonian Institute, Washington DC.

**Internet Publications in Biblical Studies:**

2015

“The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Hebrew Bible” <https://www.bibleodyssey.org/en/places/related-articles/dead-sea-scrolls-and-the-hebrew-bible>

“**Preparing for Sinai: God and Israel Test Each Other“**

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“Did Reuben Lie with Bilhah? Yes, No, We Don’t Talk About It!“

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**PhD Supervision:**

Peter Lau, University of Sydney, 2009. Identity and Ethics in the Book of Ruth: A Social Identity Approach. Co-supervisor: Mark Leuchter.

### Simon Holloway. University of Sydney, 2015. The King is a Tree: Arboreal Metaphors in the Hebrew Bible. Co-supervisor: Ian Young.

Zehava Khalfa, University of Potsdam, School of Jewish Studies, anticipated 2019. Rabbinical Rhetoric and the Gaza Disengagement, in a Paradigm of Unfulfilled Prophecy. Co-supervisor: Christoph Schulte.

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Ilana Altman Doron, Responsa Literature and the Examination of Attitudes of Jewish Religious Decisors towards Artificial Insemination University of Potsdam, 2017.

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