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Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

- 1978 Ph.D. Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Dissertation: "The Philosophy of David ben Judah Messer Leon." Supervisor: Prof. Shlomo Pines
- 1974-1978 Graduate Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Department of Philosophy and Kabbalah (Direct Ph.D. Program).
- 1974 B.A. SUNY at Stony Brook, Dept. of Religious Studies, Graduated "With Honors."
- 1971-1973 Undergraduate Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Department of Jewish Philosophy and Kabbalah and Department of Hebrew Literature.

Fields:

Jewish Intellectual History; Jewish Philosophy; Jewish Mysticism; Feminist Theory; European Intellectual History; Science and Religion; Religion and Ecology.

Current Positions:

- 2008 – Director of Jewish Studies; Irving and Miriam Lowe Professor of Modern Judaism, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.
- 2004 – Professor of History, Department of History, Arizona State University, Tempe AZ.
Affiliate Status: Department of Philosophy and Department of Religious Studies.

Editorial:

- 2008 -- 2009 Co-Editor (with Giuseppe Veltri) of a book series, *Studies in Jewish History and Culture* for Brill Academic Publishers, Leiden and Boston.
- 2009 -- Academic Advisory Board, Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science.
- 2006-2010 – Editorial Board of Journal of American Academy of Religion.

Positions Held:

- 2007 - 2008 Associate Chair, Department of History, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.
- 2006 (Spring) Visiting Fellow at Wolfson College, Oxford; Visiting Scholar at Oxford Centre of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, Oxford University, England.
- 1999 - 2004 Associate Professor of History, Department of History, Arizona State University, Tempe. Affiliate Status: Department of Philosophy, Department of Religious Studies.
- 1991-1999 Associate Professor, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.
- 1997-1998 Visiting Scholar, Department of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania.
- 1988-91 Assistant Professor, Department of Religion, Emory University, Atlanta.
- 1982-88 Assistant Professor, Department of History, Columbia University, New York.
- 1980-82 Instructor, Hebrew Union College-Institute of Religion, New York.
- 1978-80 Instructor, University of Cincinnati, Dept. of Judaic Studies, Cincinnati.
- 1976-77 Instructor, Hebrew Union College -- Institute of Religion, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 1975-76 Visiting Lecturer, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva, Israel.
- 1975-76 Instructor, Hebrew University, School for Overseas Students, Jerusalem, Israel.

Professional Service

- 1992 -- Referee for the AJS Review.
Referee for SUNY Press.
- 1994-1995 Institute de Estudos Politicos e Sociais, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Research Project: A Critical Study of History, Responsibility: "The Civilization of the Hebrews."
- 1997 -- 2004 Academic Advisory Board, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.
- 1998 -- 2001 Editorial Board of The Journal of Jewish Thought and Philosophy
- 1998 -- 2002 Board of Directors of the Association for Jewish Studies.
- 2000 -- Referee of grant applications for:
The Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture
The National Foundation for Jewish Culture
The National Endowment for the Humanities.
- 2000 -- Advisory Board of a book series in Wisconsin University Press: "Modern Jewish Philosophy and Religion: Critical Studies and Translations."
Referee for Aleph: Historical Studies in Science and Judaism
- 2001 -- Member of the Forum on Religion and Ecology

- 2002 – 2004 Board of Directors of Metanexus Institute on Religion and Science.
 2005 -- Academic Advisory Board of Metanexus Institute on Religion and Science.
 2002 -- Referee of grant applications for Israel Science Foundation (Jerusalem, Israel)
 Referee for Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science.
 Referee for Journal of the History of Ideas.
 2003 -- Referee of book manuscripts for the Hebrew Union College Press.
 2004 -- 2007 Editorial Board, Studies in Medieval and Renaissance History.
 2004 -- Referee of book manuscripts for Indiana University Press
 Referee for Journal of Hebrew Studies.
 2005 -- Referee for Frontiers: Journal of Women Studies.
 2006 – 2009 Editorial Board of Journal of the American Academy of Religion
 2006 -- Referee for Medieval Encounters.
 Referee for Journal of Jewish Thought and Philosophy
 2007 -- Referee for Jewish Studies Quarterly
 Referee for Worldviews: Environment, Culture, Religion.
 2008 --2010 Editor of Book Series: Studies in Jewish History and Culture (Brill Academic Publishers)
 Referee for Journal of Religion, Nature, and Culture.
 Referee of book manuscripts for Wiley-Blackwell (Oxford, England).
 Referee for American Journal of Bioethics
 2009 -- Referee for Hebrew Union College Annual
 Referee for Journal of Modern Jewish Studies (Oxford, England)
 Referee for Baylor University Press
 Referee for Oxford University Press
 Referee for University of Haifa Press (Haifa, Israel)
 Academic Advisory Board, Zygon: Journal of Science and Religion.
 2010 -- Referee for Jewish Quarterly Review

Publications:

Books:

1. Between Worlds – The Life and Thought of Rabbi David ben Judah Messer Leon (Albany: SUNY Press, 1991).

 Reviewed in AJS Review; American Historical Review; Bibliothèque de Humanisme et Renaissance; Speculum; Iyyun; Salesianum; Journal of American Academy of Religion; Jewish Quarterly Review; Renaissance Quarterly; Yediot Aharonot.
2. Editor, Judaism and Ecology: Created World and Revealed Word (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2002).

 Reviewed in Theological Digest; Jewish Advocate; Science and Spirit.

In 2009 the book was selected for inclusion in the prestigious International Society for Science and Religion Library (St. Edmond's College, Cambridge, England).

3. Happiness in Premodern Judaism: Virtue, Knowledge, and Well-Being (Cincinnati: Hebrew Union College Press, 2003).

Reviewed in: Journal of the History of Philosophy; Religious Studies Review; Revue des études juives; Zion: Journal of the Historical Society of Israel; Iyyun: Jerusalem Philosophical Quarterly; Aleph: Historical Studies in Science & Judaism; Renaissance Quarterly; Association of Jewish Libraries Newsletter.

4. Editor, Women and Gender in Jewish Philosophy (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2004).

Reviewed in: Studies in Contemporary Jewry; Conservative Judaism; Aleph: Historical Studies in Science & Judaism; Religious Studies Review; Nashim; Journal of Jewish Women Studies and Gender Issues.

5. Co-Editor (with Christian Wiese), The Legacy of Hans Jonas: Judaism and the Phenomenon of Life (Boston and Leiden: Brill Academic Publishers, 2008; paperback edition 2010).

6. Co-Editor (with Daniel Bernardi and Maury Poemerance), Stars of David: The Jewish Experience in American Cinema (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2011).

Published Articles and Book Chapters (Peer Reviewed):

1. "The Concept of Torah in the Work of David Messer Leon," (in Hebrew), Jerusalem Studies in Jewish Thought 2 (1982) 94-117.
2. "Sefirot as the Essence of God in the Writings of David Messer Leon," AJS Review 7-8 (1982-1983): 409-425.
3. "Maimonides and Aquinas: The Interplay of Two Masters in Medieval Jewish Philosophy," Conservative Judaism 39 (1986): 54-66.
4. "The Political Philosophy of Abraham Shalom – The Platonic Tradition," (in Hebrew), Jerusalem Studies in Jewish Thought 9 (1990) (= Shlomo Pines Jubilee Volume vol. 2): 409-440.
5. "In Defense of Jewish Humanism," Jewish History 3 (2) (1989) 31-57.

6. "Medieval Judaism: The State of the Field: Response" in The State of Jewish Studies, edited by Shaye J.D. Cohen and Edward L. Greenstein (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 1990), pp. 132-48.
7. "Jewish Culture in Renaissance Italy – A Methodological Survey," Italia 9 (1990): 63-96.
8. "Continuity and Revision in the Study of Kabbalah," AJS Review 18 (1991): 161-192.
9. "Dare to Know – Feminism and Jewish Philosophy," in Feminist Perspectives on Jewish Studies, edited by Lynn Davidman and Shelly Tenenbaum (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1994), pp. 84-119.
10. "The Ultimate End of Human Life in Post-Expulsion Philosophical Literature," in Crisis and Continuity in the Sephardic World: 1391-1648, edited by Benjamin R. Gampel (New York: Columbia University Press, 1997), pp. 223-254, notes, pp. 351-380.
10. "Human Felicity – Fifteenth-Century Sephardic Perspectives on Happiness," in In Iberia and Beyond: Hispanic Jews between Two Cultures, edited by Bernard Dov Cooperman (Newark: University of Delaware Press), pp. 191-243.
11. "Jewish Philosophy on the Eve of Modernity," in History of Jewish Philosophy, edited by Daniel H. Frank and Oliver Leaman (London and New York: Routledge, 1997), pp. 499-573.
12. "Maimonides' View of Happiness: Philosophy, Myth, and the Transcendence of History," in Jewish History and Jewish Memory: Essays in Honor of Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi, edited by Elisheva Carlebach, David N. Myers, and John M. Efron (Hanover NH and London: Brandeis University Press, 1998), pp. 189-213.
13. "Theology of Nature in Sixteenth-Century Italian Jewish Philosophy," in Science in Context 10 (no. 4) (Winter 1997): 529-570.
14. "A Jewish Perspective on Religious Pluralism," Macalester International 8 (Spring 2000):73-112. Volume entitled: "Contending Gods: Religion and the Global Moment"
15. "Nature in the Sources of Judaism," Daedalus: Journal of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 130 (4) (2001): 99-124.
16. "Editor's Introduction: Judaism and the Natural World," in Judaism and Ecology, edited by Hava Tirosh-Samuels (Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2000), xxxiii-lxii.
17. "The Textualization of Nature in Jewish Mysticism," in Judaism and Ecology, edited by Hava Tirosh-Samuels (Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2002), 389-406.

18. "Jewish Spirituality: Past Models and Present Quest, in Studies in Jewish Civilization 13: Spiritual Dimensions in Judaism, edited by Leonard J. Greenspoon and Ronald R. Simkings (Omaha: Creighton University Press, 2003), 1-30.
19. "Philosophy and Kabbalah: 1200-1600," The Cambridge Companion of Medieval Jewish Philosophy, edited by Daniel H. Frank and Oliver Leaman (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2003), 218-257.
20. "The Bible in the Jewish Philosophical Tradition," The Jewish Study Bible, edited by Marc Brettler and Adele Berlin (New York: Oxford University Press, 2003), 1948-75.

The book received the National Jewish Book Award for Scholarship in 2004.
21. "Editor's Introduction: Jewish Philosophy in Conversation with Feminism," Women and Gender in Jewish Philosophy, edited by Hava Tirosh-Samuels (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2004), 1-23.
22. "Rethinking the Past and Anticipating the Future of Science and Religion," Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science 40 (1) (2005): 33-42.
23. "Religion, Ecology, and Gender: A Jewish Perspective," Feminist Theology 13 (3) (2005): 373-397.
24. "Judaism," The Oxford Handbook of Religion and Ecology, ed. Roger S. Gottlieb (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006), pp. 25-64.
25. "Kabbalah: A Medieval Tradition and Its Contemporary Appeal," History Compass 6 (2) (2008): 552-587.
26. "Virtue and Happiness," The Cambridge History of Jewish Philosophy: From Antiquity through the Seventeenth Century, edited by Stephen Nadler and T. M. Rudavsky (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2009), pp. 707-767.
27. "Jewish Philosophy, Human Dignity, and the New Genetics," for Biotechnology, Our Future as Human Beings and Citizens, ed. Sean D. Sutton (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 2009), pp. 81-122.
28. "History and the Future of Science and Religion," Zygon 45, no. 2 (June, 2010): 445-461.
29. "Eine Auseinandersetzung mit dem Transhumanismus aus Jüdischer Perspektiv," in Die Debatte über "Human Enhancement": Historische, philosophische, und ethische Aspekte der technologischen Verbesserung des Menschen (Bielfel: Transcript Verlag, 2010), pp. 307-328.
30. "Jewish Mysticism," in The Cambridge Guide to Jewish History, Religion, and Culture,

ed. Judith Baskin and Kenneth Seeskin (Cambridge University Press, 2010), pp. 399- 423.

31. "Engaging Transhumanism," in H+: Transhumanism and Its Critics, ed. Gregory R. Hansell and William Grassie (Philadelphia: Metanexus Institute, 2011), 19-54.

Work in Press

1. "Kabbalah and Science in the Middle Ages: Preliminary Remarks," Science in Medieval Jewish Communities, ed. Gad Freudenthal (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).
2. "Gender and the Pursuit of Happiness in Maimonides' Philosophy," in Tov Elem: Memory, Community and Gender in Medieval and Early Modern Jewish Societies: Essays in Honor of Robert Bonfil, ed. Elisheva Baumgarten, Amnon Raz-Krakotzkin, Roni Weinstein (Jerusalem: Bialik Institute).
3. "Feminism and Gender," The Cambridge History of Modern Jewish Philosophy, ed. Zachary Braiterman, Martin Kavka, and David Novak (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).
4. "Animals, Judaism," Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception, ed. Hans-Joseph Klauck, Bernard McGinn, Paul Mendes-Flohr, Choon-Leong Seow, Herman Spieckermann, Eric J. Zioklowski (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter).
5. "Bibago, Abraham," Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter).
6. "Jewish Mysticism," Oxford Dictionary of the Middle Ages," ed. Robert Bjork (Oxford: Oxford University Press.)
7. "Abulafia, Rabbi Meir Halevi" Oxford Dictionary of the Middle Ages, ed. Robert Bjork (Oxford: Oxford University Press).
8. "Intellectual Spirituality, Feminism, and Environmentalism," (in Hebrew) in Jewish Spirituality, ed. Moshe Idel (in Hebrew) (Jerusalem: Elinar Library).
9. "Gender and Conceptions of the Other," in Jewish Theology of the Other, ed. Eugene Korn and Alon Goshen-Gottstein (Oxford: Littman Library of Jewish Civilization).
10. "Philosophic Dimensions of Kabbalah: Neoplatonism and Aristotelianism," for Cambridge Companion of Jewish Mysticism, ed. Elliot R. Wolfson (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).
11. "Jewish Ethics," Encyclopedia of Medieval Philosophy, editor-in-chief, Henrik Lagerlund (London, Canada: Springer Science and Business Media).

12. "Ecology, Judaism and," The Cambridge Dictionary of Jewish Religion, History and Culture, edited by Judith R. Baskin (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).
13. "Gender in Jewish Mysticism: Historicism, Feminism, and Psychoanalysis," for Jewish Mysticism: New Insights and Scholarship, ed. Frederick Greenspahn (New York University Press, 2010, series on Jewish Studies in the 21st Century).
14. "Judaism and the Care for God's Creation," for Green Discipleship: Catholic Theological Ethics and the Environment, ed. Tobias Winright (St. Louis: St. Mary's Press).
15. "Judaism and the Science of Ecology," for The Routledge Companion to Religion and Science, edited by James Haag, Gregory Peterson, and Michael Spezio (Routledge: Milton Park, England).
16. "Ecology" for Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish Religion, revised 2nd edition, edited by Adele Berlin (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press).
17. Review of Daniel C. Matt (translator and commentator), The Zohar, Pritzker Edition vols. 1-5 (Stanford University Press, 2004-2009) for The Jewish Review of Books.
18. "Introduction: The Hollywood Question," in *Stars of David: The Jewish Experience in American Cinema* ed. Daniel Bernardi, Maury Pomerance, and Hava Tirosh-Samuelson (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2011).
19. Review of David Bakan, Dan Merkur, David Weiss, Maimonides' Cure of Souls: Medieval Precursor of Psychoanalysis (Albany: SUNY Press, 2009), for H-Judaic.

Work in Progress:

Books:

Judaism and Nature: The Dialectics of Sacred Texts (to be submitted to Indiana University Press)

Co-Editor (with Kenneth L. Mossman), Building Perfect Humans? Refocusing the Debate on Transhumanism (to be submitted to Johns Hopkins University Press)

Special Issues:

Co-Editor (with Philip Cohen), Symposium on Science and Judaism, *CCAR Journal*, 2012.

Essays:

“Science and Human Betterment: Three Prophets of Transhumanism,” for Building Perfect Humans? Refocusing the Debate on Transhumanism, edited by Hava Tirosh-Samuelson and Kenneth L. Mossman (forthcoming).

Encyclopedic Essays:

“Judaism and Ecology,” and “Kabbalah and Judaism,” for Encyclopedia of Sciences and Religions, ed. Nina P. Azari and Anne Runehov (Dordrecht: Springer).

Book Reviews:

Review essay: Jitse M. van der Meer and Scott Mandelbrote, Nature and Scripture in the Abrahamic Religions: 1700-Present (Leiden and Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2008); Jeremy Benstein, The Way into Judaism and the Environment (Woodstock, VT: Jewish Lights Publishing, 2006); Wild Faith: Jewish Ways into Wilderness, Wilderness Ways into Judaism (Woodstock, VT: Jewish Lights Publishing, 2007) for Journal of Religion, Nature, and Culture.

Awards:

1991 -- Between Worlds: The Life and Works of David ben Judah Messer Leon was awarded the Arnold Vizhnitzer Award for the best work in Jewish history for 1991 by the Institute of Jewish Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (5,000 Israeli Shekels).

1992 -- Outstanding Young Faculty Award, Indiana University (\$12,500).

2007 – Distinguished Alumna of Stony Brook University (Award given on November 15).

Grants and Fellowship:

1976-- Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture \$ 1,000 (“The Life and Thought of R. David ben Judah Messer Leon”).
1985 -- Columbia University Summer Grant \$3,000 (Preparation of Manuscript).
1993 -- Travel Grant, Indiana University \$600 (Travel to Library in Israel).
1993 -- Maurice Amado Foundation, \$ 5000 (“Happiness in Premodern Judaism”)
2005 -- The John Templeton Foundation, \$ 22,000 (Conference on Hans Jonas).
2006 --2009 Templeton Research Lecture Series \$ 500,000 (Project: “Facing the Challenges of Transhumanism: Religion, Science, and Technology”).

Book Reviews:

1. Review of Isaac Rabinowitz (ed. and trans.), The Book of the Honeycomb Flow Sepher Nophet Suphim by Judah Messer Leon (Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 1983), in Renaissance Quarterly 37 (1984): 234-38.
2. Review of Bernard Septimus, Hispano-Jewish Culture in Transition: The Career and Controversies of Ramah (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1982) in Speculum 60 (1985): 199-201.
3. Review of Menachem Kelner, Dogmas in Medieval Jewish Thought: From Maimonides to Abravanel (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1986) in Critical Review of Books in Religion 3 (1990): 365-69.
4. Review of Judith Plaskow, Standing Again at Sinai: Judaism from a Feminist Perspective (San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco 1990) in Hadoar 70 (no. 32) (1991): 14-19 (in Hebrew).
5. Review of Yehuda Liebes, Studies in Jewish Myth and Jewish Messianism (Albany: SUNY Press, 1990) in Critical Review of Books in Religion 7 (1994): 432-35.
6. Review of Robert Bonfil, Jewish Life in Renaissance Italy (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1994) in American Historical Review (1995): 1615-1617.
7. Review of Elliot Wolfson, Through the Speculum that Shines: Vision and Imagination in Medieval Jewish Mysticism (Princeton NJ: Princeton University Press, 1994) in The Journal of Religion 76 (1996): 506-509.
8. Review of Meir Zvi Bnaya, Moshe Almosnino of Salonika: His Life and Work (Ramat Aviv: Tel Aviv University, 1996) (Hebrew), Jewish Quarterly Review 89 (1998) 250-52.
9. Review of Joseph Davis, Yom-Tov Lipmann Heller: Portrait of a Seventeenth-Century Rabbi (Oxford, England and Portland, Oregon: The Littman Library of Jewish Civilization, 2004), Renaissance Quarterly 58 (3) (2005): 962-64.
10. Review of David B. Ruderman and Guisepppe Veltri (eds.), Cultural Intermediaries: Jewish Intellectuals in Early Modern Italy (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2004), The American Historical Review 100 (4) (2005): 1281-83.
11. Review of Moshe Idel, Kabbalah and Eros (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2005), AJS Review, (31) (no. 1) (2007): 187-190.

12. Review of Elliot R. Wolfson, Alef, Mem, Tau: Kabbalistic Musings on Time, Truth and Death (Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California, 2006), Journal of Religion 87 (no. 3) (2007): 463-466.
13. Review of Shaul Regev (ed.), Mikve Israel by R. Israel Najara (Ramat Gan: Bar Ilan University, 2004) Renaissance Quarterly LX (no. 4) (Winter, 2007): 1329-1330.
14. Review of Robert Chazan, The Jews of Medieval Western Christendom: 1000-1500 (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007), History: Reviews of New Books 36 (no. 3) Spring 2008): 108-110.
15. Review of Daniel Frank and Matt Goldish (eds.), Rabbinic Culture and Its Critics: Jewish Authority, Dissent and Heresy in Medieval and Early Modern Times (Detroit: Wayne State, 2008), Renaissance Quarterly, vol. LXII (no. 1) (Spring, 2009): 279-281.
16. Review of Adam Shear, The Kuzari and the Shaping of Jewish Identity, 1167-1900 (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008) for The American Historical Review 114 (3) (June 2009): 818-819.

Publications On-Line

1. Review of Peter Ochs and Nancy Levene (eds.), Textual Reasonings: Jewish Philosophy and Text Study at the End of the Twentieth Century (Grand Rapid: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2003), Review of Biblical Literature, posted 3/17/04, published as a review essay in vol. 6.
2. Review of Randall Collins, The Sociology of Philosophies: A Global Theory of Intellectual Change (Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1998), Metanexus On-Line Journal: Transdisciplinary Approaches to Foundational Questions, posted 4/16/04.
3. "Facing the Challenges of Transhumanism: Philosophical, Religious, and Ethical Considerations," The Global Spiral, e-publication of Metanexus Institute (posted 10/11/07).
4. "Kabbalah: A Medieval Tradition and Its Contemporary Appeal," History Compass, Vol. 6, Issue 2 (2008): pp. 552-587 (posted 2/14, 2008).
5. Editor, Special Issue on Transhumanism, The Global Spiral, Vol. 9, Issue 3 (2008). Contributors: Hava Tirosch-Samuels, Don Ihde, Jean-Pierre Dupuy, Katherine Hayles, Andrew Pickering, Ted Peters (posted 6/6 2008)

Encyclopedia Entries:

1. "Messer Leon, Judah," Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Chief Editor, Edward Craig (Routledge: London, 1998), vol. 6, pp. 331-335;
2. "Shem Tov Family," Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Chief Editor, Edward Craig, (Routledge: London, 1998), vol. 8, pp. 737-740.
3. "Kabbalah," in Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1999), General Editor, John H. Hayes, vol. 2, pp. 1-7.
4. "Jewish Philosophy," The Encyclopedia of the Renaissance," General Editor, Paul. F .Grendler (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1999), vol. 3, pp. 314-318.
5. "Judaism," for Encyclopedia of Science and Religion, Editor in Chief, J. Wentzel Vrede van Huyssteen (New York: Macmillan, 2003), vol. 2, pp. 477- 483.
6. "Judaism," The Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature, Editor-in-Chief Bron Taylor (London: and New York: Continuum, 2005), vol. 1, pp. 525-537.
7. "Ecology and Religion: Ecology and Judaism," Encyclopedia of Religion, Revised Second Edition, Editor-in-Chief Lindsay Jones (New York: Macmillan, 2005), vol. 4, pp. 2641-2647.
8. "Beatitude," Encyclopedia Judaica, 2nd edition, ed. Michael Benerbaum and Fred Skolnik, vol. 3 (Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2007), pp. 237-241.
9. "Philosophy, Jewish: Women and Gender" Encyclopedia Judaica, 2nd edition, ed. Michael Berenbaum and Fred Skolnik, vol. 16 (Detroit: Macmillan References USA, 2007), pp. 105-114.
10. "Happiness," Encyclopedia of Love in World Religions, edited by Yudit Kornberg Greenberg, (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2007), vol. 1, 275-280.
11. "Nature in Judaism," Encyclopedia of Love in World Religions, edited by Yudit Kornberg Greenberg, (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2007), vol. 2, pp. 442-443.

Conferences, Workshops, and Symposia at Arizona State University (Organizer and Manager):

1. Conference, "On Being Human: Women in Jewish Philosophy," February 25-26, 2001).
The conference convened 15 theologians, philosophers, ethicists, and historians to create a dialogue between feminism, Jewish feminism, and philosophy. Proceedings and additional papers published Women and Gender in Jewish Philosophy, ed. Hava Tirosh-Samuelson (Indiana University Press, 2004).

2. Symposium: “Are Humans Changing Human Nature; If So, Should They?” Speakers: Philip Clayton, Larry Arnhart, Carl Mitcham, Ronald Green (April, 18, 2001).
3. Conference, “Jewish Tradition and the Challenge of Evolution,” in collaboration with Geoffrey Cantor (University of Leeds, England) and Dr. Marc Swetlitz (Chicago) February, 28- March 1, 2004. The conference convened 22 historians and philosophers of science, Judaica scholars, and environmental scientists from the US, the United Kingdom, Canada, Israel, and Germany. The proceedings were published under the title, Judaism and the Challenge of Darwinism, ed. Geoffrey Cantor and Marc Swetlitz (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006).
4. Conference, “Judaism and the Phenomenon of Life: The Legacy of Hans Jonas” November 5-7, 2005. An international, multi-disciplinary research conference gathered 25 Judaica scholars, historians, philosophers, theologians, religionists, biologists, and environmentalists from the US, Germany, and Israel to study the implications of Hans Jonas for the twenty-first century. Proceedings and additional papers were published as The Legacy of Hans Jonas: Judaism and the Phenomenon of Life, edited by Hava Tirosh and Christian Wiese (Brill Academic Press, 2008).
5. Public Symposia: “Evolution and Intelligent Design,” Panelists: John Haught, Jon Roberts, Holmes Rolston, and “Science and Religion on Human Happiness.” Panelists: John Haught, Laurie Zoloth, and Steven Post (January 22-23, 2006)
6. Workshop: “Transhumanism and Human Nature.” Presenters: John Tooby, Pascal Boyer, Sander van der Leeuw, Ashok Gangadean, and James Hughes (April, 16, 2007).
7. Workshop: “Transhumanism and the Meanings of Progress.” Presenters: Dan Sarewitz, Jean-Pierre Dupuy, Don Ihde, Andrew Pickering, Catherine Hayles, and Ted Peters). April 24-25, 2008. Proceedings were published on-line as a special issue of *Global Spiral*, Vol. 9, Issue 3 (posted June 6, 2008).
8. Conference, “Stars of David: The Jewish Experience in American Cinema,” Presenters: Lester Friedman, Katherine Portuges, Thomas Doherty, Vivian Sobchak, David Sterritt, and Murray Pomerance, (November 16-17, 2008).
9. Workshop, “Transhumanism and the Future of Democracy,” Presenters: Maxwell Mehlman, Jean Betke Elshtain, Stephen Goldberg, Michael Shapiro, Paul Root Wolpe, and Ronald Bailey (April 23-24, 2009).
10. Conference, “Viewing Mendelssohn, Viewing Elijah: Assimilation, Interpretation and Culture,” 17 presenters from the US, Canada, England, and Israel (April 29-May 1, 2009).
11. Conference, “Revival and New Directions? -- Jewish Arts in German-Speaking Countries,” 12 presenters from Germany, Austria, and the US (October 5-6, 2009).

12. Conference, "The Refugee in Postwar World" (April 8-10, 2009), 14 presenters from England, Germany, Israel, and the US.
13. Conference, "Judaism and the Neurosciences" (October 10-11, 2010), 10 presenters from the U.S., England, and Israel.

Collaborative Research Activities:

1. 2004-05: Faculty Seminar "Being Human: Science, Religion, Technology, and Law."
2. 2005-06: Faculty Seminar: theme "Suffering and the Human Good: The Interplay of Science and Religion."
3. 2006-2007: Faculty Seminar on "Facing the Challenges of Transhumanism: Religion, Science, and Technology" funded by a grant from the Metanexus Institute on Science and Religion for the Templeton Research Lectures on Constructive Engagement of Religion and Science (2006-09). Thematic focus for the year: "Transhumanism and Human Nature."
4. 2007-2008: Faculty Seminar on "Facing the Challenges of Transhumanism: Religion Science and Technology." Thematic Focus for the year: "Transhumanism, Technology and Culture."
5. 2008-2009: Faculty Seminar on "Facing the Challenges of Transhumanism: Religion, Science and Technology." Thematic Focus for the year: "Converging Technologies: Law, Religion, and Science."
6. 2009-2010: Final project of the Faculty Seminar: "Building a Better Human: Refocusing the Debate on Transhumanism:" presentations of 21 papers by members of the faculty seminar.

Semi-Academic Publications (Print and Online)

1. "Against Dogmatic Skepticism: A Response to Laura Levitt," Sh'ma, 30/568 (January, 2000), pp. 9-10.
2. "The Jewish Feminist as Jewish Philosopher," Outlook: Women's League for Conservative Judaism 70 (4) (Summer 2000): 11-14.
3. "Beyond Conflict of Science and Religion: The Case of Judaism." Canyon Institute of Advanced Studies vol. 5, issue 11 (Spring 2006): 8-10.
4. "Environmentalism and Gender," Sh'ma 38/651 (June 2008):7-8.
5. "Immortality of Immortality," Religion Dispatches (daily online magazine edited by Gary Laderman, Linell Cady, Evan Derkaez and Lisa Webster), (posted July 2, 2008).

Invited Lectures:

1. "The Pursuit of Happiness in Pre-Modern Judaism: Between Philosophy and Kabbalah," The Louis Jacobs Lectures in Rabbinic Thought at the Center for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Oxford University, England (May 1997).
2. "Two Models of Jewish Spirituality," The Franklin B. Moosnik Lecture in Judaic Studies, The Lexington Theological Seminary and the University of Kentucky, Lexington KY (April 1997).
3. "Kabbalah and the Myth of Judaism," The Shalom Lecture of Jewish Studies, the University of Pittsburgh (February 1998).
4. "Jewish Spirituality: Past Models, Present Quest," the Thirteenth Annual Klutznick-Harris Symposium on "Spiritual Dimensions of Judaism" organized by Creighton University and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (September, 2000).
5. "Judaism and Ecology: An Uneasy Relationship," Dorsha Wallman Lecture in Modern Torah Interpretation, San Diego State University (September, 2003).
6. "Judaism and Environmentalism: Are they Compatible" University of Arizona (January 31, 2005).
7. "Judaism and Ecofeminism: Convergence and Conflict," Bloome Leadership Institute of COEJL, Washington, DC (February, 27- March 1, 2005).
8. "Beyond Conflict of Science and Religion: The Case of Judaism," Advanced Institute of Science and Religion, Grand Canyon University, Phoenix Arizona (February 16, 2006).
9. "Philosophy and Kabbalah on the Pursuit of Happiness," Institute of Advanced Studies, University of Minnesota (March 22, 2007).
10. "Facing the Challenges of Transhumanism: Religious, Philosophical and Ethical Reflections," conference on "Transdisciplinarity and the Unity of Knowledge: Beyond the Science-and-Religion Dialogue," Metanexus Institute, University of Pennsylvania (June 5, 2007).
11. "Human Embodiment and Dignified Death: A Critique of Transhumanism," Conference on Extending Life: Setting the Agenda for the Ethics of Aging, Death, and Immortality, organized by the Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity (Deerfield, IL) (Phoenix, March 6, 2008).
12. "A Feminist Reads Maimonides: Science and Religion in Judaism," St. Mary's College, South Bend, Indiana (April 29, 2008).

13. "Transhumanism and the Pursuit of Immortality: A Jewish Critique," Keynote Address at the International Conference on Personal Identity and Resurrection, Innsbruck University, Austria (July 28-August 1, 2008).
14. "Feminine Aspects of Jewish Mysticism," conference on "Jewish Mysticism: New Insights and Scholarship," Florida Atlantic University (February 15-16, 2009).
15. "Jewish Environmentalism? The Biblical Conundrum," Martin and Helen Schwartz Lecture Series in Jewish Studies, Indiana University (November 16, 2009).
16. "Nature in Modern Judaism: Between the Secular and the Religious," Martin and Helen Schwartz Lecture Series in Jewish Studies, Indiana University (November 17, 2009).
17. "Nature and Renewal in Modern Jewish Thought," Leonard Wolinsky Lectures on Jewish Life and Education, York University, Toronto, Canada (March 7, 2010),.
18. "Judaism and Current Ecological Crisis," University of Texas-Austin (October 25, 2010).

Conference Papers:

1. "Sefirot as the Essence of God in the Writings of David Messer Leon," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference (December, 1981).
2. "The Concept of Miracles in the Writings of David Messer Leon," American Philosophical Association, Regional Meeting, Rutgers University (May, 1982).
3. "Maimonides and Aquinas: The Interplay of Two Masters in Medieval Jewish Philosophy," University of Notre Dame (November, 1982).
4. "Prayer in Jewish Mysticism: The Medieval Phase," University Seminar, Columbia University (October, 1983).
5. "The Defense of Maimonides in Fifteenth Century Jewish Philosophy," The American Academy for Jewish Research," New York (November, 1983).
6. "Methodological Observations on Modern Research into the Kabbalah," Seminar on Jewish Mysticism, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York (April, 1986).
7. "Interpreting Maimonides with the Help of Aquinas," Sarah Lawrence College (February, 1987).
8. "Jewish Studies: the State of the Field: Medieval Judaism," Centennial Conference of the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York (May, 1987).

9. "Jewish Culture in Renaissance Italy – A Methodological Survey," University Seminar, Columbia University (April, 1988).
10. "Human Felicity – A Fifteenth-Century Jewish Perspective," Boston Colloquium of Medieval Philosophy, Boston University (December, 1989).
11. "Jewish Mysticism – The State of the Field," Florida State University, Tallahassee FL (February 1991).
12. "Human Felicity – Fifteenth Century Sephardic Perspectives on Happiness," Conference "In Iberia and Beyond: Hispanic Jews between Two Cultures," Center for Baroque Studies, University of Maryland (April, 1991).
13. "Conceptions of Happiness in Fifteenth Century Jewish Philosophy," 26th International Congress of Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan (March, 1991).
14. "Between Worlds in Retrospect," 6th Annual Midwest Jewish Studies Colloquium, Ohio State University (May, 1992).
15. "Biblical Hermeneutics in Kabbalah: A Mode of Medieval Jewish Spirituality," Institute of Medieval Studies, Indiana University, Bloomington (October, 1992).
16. "On Kabbalah and its Modern Interpreters," Conference on Reform Judaism and the Academic Study of Judaism," Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati Ohio (November, 1992).
17. "The Ultimate End of Human Life in Post-Expulsion Philosophic Literature," Conference on "Crisis and Creative in the Sephardic World 1391-1648, Columbia University (November, 1992).
18. "Philosophy and the Liberation of Women and Jews," Conference on "Judaism and Gender," Ohio State University (April, 1993).
19. "The Will and the Intellect in Almosnino's Commentary on Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics (Hebrew), the 11th World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem (June, 1993).
20. "Torah and Philosophy in the Pursuit of Happiness: The View of Fifteenth-Century Jewish Philosophers," Institute of Advanced Studies, Hebrew University (July, 1993).
21. "Intellectualism versus Voluntarism in Post-Expulsion Jewish Philosophy: The School of Joseph Taitazak in Salonica," Institute of Advanced Studies, Hebrew University, Jerusalem (July, 1993).
22. "Practical Reason and the Pursuit of Happiness: Scholastic Influences in Almosnino's Commentary on the Nicomachean Ethics, Boston University (December, 1993).

23. "The Soul as a Mirror of Nature in Sixteenth Century Jewish Philosophy," Conference on "Jewish Responses to Early Modern Science," Tel Aviv University and Hebrew University, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, Israel (May, 1995).
24. "The Emotions and the Love of God in Sixteenth Century Jewish Aristotelianism," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Philadelphia (November, 1995).
25. "Judaism and the Natural World – The Mystical Tradition, Conference on "Judaism and the Natural World," Harvard University (February, 1998).
26. "The Perfection of Moses: A Truth-Telling Myth," Paideia: 20th World Congress of Philosophy, Boston (August, 1998).
27. "The Bible as an Esoteric Text: Philosophy and Kabbalah," Israeli Embassy, Washington DC, (February, 1998).
28. "The State of Israel and Jewish Studies Around the World," Plenary Address in The Association of Jewish Studies Annual Convention (December, 1998). The speech was excerpted in The Chronicle of Higher Education (2/26/99).
29. "Judaism and Science: The Evidence of Kabbalah," Conference on Science and Judaism, Arizona State University (February, 1999).
30. "A Jewish Perspective on Religious Pluralism," for a Roundtable on "Contending Gods: Religion in the Global Moment," Macalester College, St. Paul MN (October, 1999).
31. "Feminism and Jewish Philosophy: Beyond the Crisis of Modernity," Conference on "Finding a Home: Jewish Women Studies in the Academy," Jewish Theological Seminary, New York (October, 1999).
32. "The Natural World in the Sources of Judaism," for a "Forum on Religion and Ecology," Harvard University and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Boston (October, 1999).
33. "Human Experimentation and Human Nature – A Response," in Science and Judaism Workshop on "What is the Human?" Arizona State University (February, 2000).
34. "Judaism and Ecology" for a panel on "Religion and Ecology," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Denver (November, 2001).
35. "The Zohar as a Prescription for Happiness," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Washington D.C. (December, 2001).
36. "Jewish Studies and the Jewish Community," Conference on "Jewish Studies in the University: A Retrospective," Stanford University (April, 2002).

37. "The Conservation of Tradition: the Case of Judaism," Annual Conference of Metanexus Institute on Religion and Science, Haverford College (June, 2002).
38. "Teshuvah: Spiritual Transformation in Judaism," Spiritual Transformation Scientific Research Program organized by the Metanexus Institute for Templeton Foundation, University of Pennsylvania (October, 2002).
39. "A Jewish Response to Ecofeminism," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Los Angeles (December, 2002).
40. "Happiness in Medieval Judaism: Between Athens and Jerusalem," conference on "Jewish Civilization between Athens and Jerusalem," UCLA (June, 2003).
41. "Religion, Ecology and Gender: A Jewish Perspective," for a conference on "Gaia and the Sacred: Religion, Science, and Ethics" Graduate Theological Union Seminary at Berkeley (June, 2003).
42. "Judaism and Environmentalism: Uneasy Relations," San Diego State University" (September 21, 2003).
43. "Teaching Judaism and Ecology," in "Teaching Religion and Ecology," at Indiana University, Bloomington (October 23-26, 2003), a workshop organized by Forum on Religion and Ecology, the Department of Religious Studies at Indiana University, and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion.
44. "The Science of Character in Medieval Judaism," for a panel on "Law, Character and Authority: Jewish Virtue Ethics, Past and Present," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference (Atlanta, November 22-24, 2003).
45. "Can Women Be Happy?: Gender in Maimonides' Philosophy," Amado Colloquium in Sephardic Studies, UCLA, May 23, 2004.
46. "A Feminist Examination of Maimonides' Political Theology," Annual Convention of American Academy of Religion, San Antonio Texas, November 20, 2004.
47. "Gender and the Pursuit of Happiness in Maimonides' Philosophy," Conference on "Gender and the Family in Medieval Jewish Society," Hebrew University, Jerusalem, January 2, 2005.
48. "Conceptions of the Other: Gender, Philosophy, and Theology," for a conference "Toward a Contemporary Jewish Theology of World Religions," University of Scranton, June 21-23, 2005.

49. "Nature in Second-Temple Judaism: Ben Sira, Wisdom of Solomon and I Enoch," Seminar of Judaism and Christianity in the Greco-Roman World, convener: Prof. Martin Goodman, Oxford University, England. May 23, 2006.
50. "Jewish Philosophy, Human Dignity, and the New Genetics," conference on "In the Image of God: Creation, Procreation, and the New Genetics," organized by Academic Coalition of Jewish Bioethics and held at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, September 10-11, 2006.
51. "In Pursuit of Happiness: Jewish Self-Definition between Rationalism and Mysticism," conference on "Major Controversies in Jewish History: The Issues and Personalities that Fuelled Them," University of Connecticut, Stamford, Nov. 6-7, 2006.
52. "Human Embodiment and Dignified Death: A Critique of Transhumanism," Conference on "Extending Life: Setting the Agenda for the Ethics of Aging, Death, and Immortality," organized by the Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity, Phoenix, March 6-7, 2008.
53. "Conceptions of Nature in Medieval Judaism," 10th annual conference of Arizona Center of Medieval and Renaissance Studies on "Humanity and Natural World in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance" (February 12-13, 2010)
54. "Jewish Environmentalism: Bridging Scholarship, Faith, and Activism" conference on "Jewish Thought, Jewish Faith," Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheba Israel (May 31-June 2, 2010).
55. "'Science'" and the Relationship between Philosophy and Kabbalah," Association for Jewish Studies, December 19-22, 2010.

Panels:

1. Organizer and Chair, "Spinoza on Philosophy and Theology," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (November, 1986).
2. Organizer and Chair, "Ideology and Self-Perception: The Construction of Modern Jewish Identities," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (December, 1990).
3. Organizer and Chair, "The Jewish Mystical Tradition," American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature, Regional Meeting, Atlanta (March, 1991).
4. Organizer and Chair, "Orality and Literacy in Rabbinic Judaism: The Jewish Mystical Tradition," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, New Orleans (November, 1991).

5. Organizer and Chair, "The Hermeneutics of Visual Experience in Judaism" American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, San Francisco (November, 1992).
6. Chair, "Jewish Aristotelianism," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (December, 1992).
7. Chair, "Jewish Philosophy in the Late Middle Ages," The World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem (June, 1993).
8. Chair, "Loss and Absence in the Jewish Tradition – Hermeneutical and Ritual Responses," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Kansas City (November, 1993).
9. Organizer and Chair, "Can there be a Jewish Ethics," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Chicago (November, 1994).
10. Respondent to a panel on my "Dare to Know – Feminism and Jewish Philosophy," Academy for Jewish Philosophy, Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (December, 1995).
11. Commentator on Elliot Wolfson's Through the Speculum that Shines," Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (December, 1995).
12. Organizer and Chair, "The Problem of Evil in Jewish Philosophy, Academy for Jewish Philosophy, Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference (December, 1997).
13. Chair, "Classical Kabbalah: Its Reception and Its Transformation," Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (December, 1998).
14. Chair, "Philosophy and Mysticism: Conflict and Confluence," Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Chicago (December, 1999).
15. Organizer, "Plotinus and Jewish Philosophy," Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Boston (December, 2000).
16. Organizer and Chair, "Jewish-Christian Relations-Methodological Reflections," Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, Washington D.C. (December, 2001).
17. Chair, "What is Relevant (for Us) in the Philosophy of Spinoza?" American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Toronto (November, 2002).
18. Organizer and presenter, "Character, Law, and Authority: Jewish Virtue Ethics, Past and Present," American Academy of Religion Annual Conference (November, 2003).
19. Panelist, "Teaching Jewish Mysticism – Challenges, Themes, and Methods," Roundtable, Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies (December 17-20, 2005).

20. Participant, "Biotechnology and Liberty," colloquium organized by the Liberty Fund, Charleston, South Carolina (March 16-19, 2006).
21. Respondent to Ki Bbeum Yoo, "Ecofeminist Goddess Ritual: Contemporary Women's Strategic Practice against Symbolic Violence of a Patriarchal Society," in a conference on "Invoking Gender in Korean Religions," ASU (Nov. 16-17, 2006).
22. Panelist, "The Future of Jewish Philosophy: Challenges and Promises," Roundtable, Association of Jewish Studies, San Diego (December 17-19, 2006).
23. Panelist, "Is Kabbalah Mysticism?" Roundtable, Association of Jewish Studies, Toronto (December 17-20, 2007).
23. Organizer and Chair, "Jewish Environmental Thought," Annual Convention of Association of Jewish Studies, Washington DC (December 21-23, 2008).
24. Panelist, "A Jew and Philosopher: Hans Jonas Retrospective," Annual Convention of Association of Jewish Studies, Washington DC (December 21-23, 2008).
25. Panelist, Roundtable on Gender and Jewish Thought, Brandeis University, April 26-27, 2009.
26. Presenter, "The Transhumanist Project: Assessment and Critique," in "Cosmos, Nature, Culture: A Transdisciplinary Conference," Metanexus Institute 10th Annual Conference, Tempe, AZ (July 18-21, 2009)
26. Chair, "Rosenzweig and Arendt", Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference (December 19-21, 2009), Los Angeles, CA.

Workshops, Seminars, and Colloquia (Speaker):

1. "Prayer in Jewish Mysticism," Central Conference of American Rabbis, New England Region (March, 1986).
2. "Kabbalah and Sexuality," Central Conference of American Rabbis, South-East Region (May 1990).
3. "Spirituality: Encountering the Divine," National Conference of Christian and Jews, Leakey Texas (January, 1991).
4. "Philosophy and Kabbalah in Medieval Spain," Distinguished Leaders Institute, Brandeis University (July, 1992).

5. "The Good Life according to Maimonides," The Foundation for Jewish Studies, Washington D.C. (February, 1998).
6. "Decision Making by Jewish Leadership," San Diego Wexner Graduate Leadership Seminar," (March, 2000; March, 2001).
7. "Healing Body/Healing Soul in Maimonides' Rationalist Ethics," for a conference on "Mining the Jewish Tradition for its Healing Wisdom." The conference is organized by the Kalsman Institute on Judaism and Health at the Hebrew Union College-Institute of Religion and Temple Chai of Phoenix (Scottsdale, May 16-18, 2003).
8. "Being Human: Science, Religion, Technology, and Law," faculty seminar, ASU, 2004-2005; 2005-2006; 2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2008-2009; 2009-2010.
9. "Modern Israel and Its Struggle for Survival," President's Community Enrichment Program, ASU 2004-2005 (January 21 to Feb. 16, 2005).
10. "Virtue and Happiness in Medieval Judaism," Rabbinic Training Institute, January 8-12, 2006.

International Summits:

1. Inter-faith summit on climate change organized by the Church of Sweden in Uppsala, Sweden (November 27-28, 2008). The summit generated a manifesto on climate change signed by 30 representatives of world religions. The manifesto is intended to offer a framework to replace the Kyoto Agreement when it expires in 2012. The manifesto will be ratified by the EU and will be presented to the UN.

The Wexner Heritage Foundation:

From 1990 until 2000 I have been on the faculty of the Wexner Heritage Foundation for whom I taught seminars on Jewish history, Jewish philosophy, and Jewish mysticism in Miami, Washington DC, Boston, Cleveland, and New York as well as in the summer retreats of the Foundation in Aspen, Colorado and Snow Bird, Utah.

Scholar-in-Residence

1. "Kabbalah and the Myth of Judaism," Anshe Shalom, Chicago (March, 1994)
2. "Jewish Spirituality: Between Philosophy and Kabbalah," Bene Jeschurun, New York (November, 1998)
3. "Wholly, Holy Happy," Temple Emanuel of South Hills and Beth El, Pittsburgh (February, 2000).

4. "Kabbalah: The Jewish Mystical Tradition," Westchester Reform Temple, Scarsdale NY (April, 2000).
5. "Models of Jewish Spirituality," Temple Beth El, Patchogue NY (May, 2003)
6. "New Developments in Contemporary Judaism:" 1) Judaism and Feminism" and 2) "Judaism, Ecology, and Gender," Hillel Foundation-Kenyon College, September 10-11, 2005.
7. "Judaism and the Pursuit of Happiness," Foundation for Jewish Studies, Washington DC, September 3-4, 2007.
8. "Kabbalah Today: The Contemporary Appeal of a Medieval Tradition" Temple Brith Shalom, Prescott AZ (May 15-16, 2009).

Public Talks (as Director of Jewish Studies):

1. "Jewish Studies at ASU: A Look to the Future," Temple Solel, Scottsdale AZ (May 14, 2008).
2. "Kabbalah and the Quest for a Modern Jewish Identity," The New Shul, Scottsdale AZ (September 13, 2008)
3. "An Israeli Woman Studies Judaism: Challenges and the New Directions," Hadassah-Prime Timers Chapter (October 29, 2008)
4. "Integrating Feminism and Jewish Studies", Symposium on Women of the Book in the Jewish Tradition of Learning & Growing, Jewish Community Center, Scottsdale AZ (November 9, 2008)
5. "Transhumanism: A Jewish Critique," ASU Retired Faculty Wives/Women's Club Meeting, January 12, 2009)
6. "Judaism and Environmentalism," Shalom Group of Leisure World, Mesa AZ (January 18, 2009)
7. "Jewish Ethical Wills in Historical Perspectives," Jewish Community Foundation, Jewish Community Center, Scottsdale AZ (January 21, 2009)
8. "Judaism and Sustainability," Temple Beth Am, Los Angeles (March 19, 2009)
9. "Jewish Studies and the Humanities," Jess Schwartz School (March 30, 2009).
10. "Kabbalah Today: The Contemporary Appeal of a Medieval Tradition," (2 lectures), Temple Brith Shalom, Prescott, AZ (May 15-16, 2009).
11. "Israel Today: Challenge and Promise," President Community Enrichment Program (October 22, 2009)

12. "Judaism and the Contemporary Ecological Crisis," Peninsula Jewish Community Center, Foster City CA (December 6, 2009).

13. "Kabbalah Scholarship and Jewish Spiritual Renewal," Congregation Beth El, Phoenix AZ, January 16, 2010.

Courses Taught:

Prior to Joining ASU Faculty:

Undergraduate:

Contemporary Civilization
Philosophy and Religion in the Middle Ages
The Jewish-Christian Encounter from Late Antiquity to the Reformation
Medieval Jewish History from the Gaonic Period to the Expulsion from Spain
Early Modern Jewish History: From the Expulsion to the Emancipation
Medieval Jewish Thought
Introduction to Medieval Jewish Philosophy
Introduction to Judaism
Major Trends in Modern Judaism
The Modernization of the Jews
Zionism
Women in Judaism
Introduction to Jewish Mysticism
Mysticism in Religious Traditions
The Good Life in Western Philosophy and Religion

Graduate:

Political Theories in Medieval Judaism
Rationalism vs. Anti-Rationalism in Medieval Judaism
Medieval Jewish Ethical Literature
Hasidism
The Jewish Enlightenment
Jewish Messianism in the Seventeenth Century: The Sabbatean Movement;
Judaism -- History, Mythic Structure, and Practices
Medieval Jewish Religious Thought
The History of Biblical Interpretation (2 lectures in a team-taught course)

Courses Taught at ASU:

Undergraduate:

Western Civilization to 1500
Jewish History from the Bible to 1492
Jewish History from 1492 to 1948
Jews in the Middle Ages
History of Anti-Semitism
The Jews through History
The Jewish Mystical Tradition
Judaism and Ecology
Introduction to Jewish Civilization

Graduate:

Religion and Philosophy in the Middle Ages
History: Methods, Theory, and Practice
European Diversity
Premodern Europe

Organizations:

Association for Jewish Studies (In charge of Jewish Mysticism section, 1995-98; Member of Board of Directors 1998-2002).
American Academy of Religion (Steering Committee of the History of Judaism section, 1994-96).
Society of Biblical Literature
Society of Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
Renaissance Society of America
American Philosophical Association
World Union of Jewish Studies

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