

Curriculum Vitae

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Main fields of interest

- Rabbinics,
- Social History of Jews and Christians in Medieval Europe
- Contemporary Catholicism

Academic education

- 1999-2002 Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris. Ph.D. in History with distinction (Doctorat, Histoire et civilisations, avec mention). Dissertation: Studies on Menstruation in Medieval and Early-Modern Judaism and Christianity (Supervisors: Alain Boureau, Gilbert Dahan)
- 1997-1999 Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes en Sorbonne, Paris. M.A. in Religious Studies (D.E.A, Sciences Religieuses, 17/20).
- 1994-1998 Institut Catholique de Paris. B.A. in Theology (Licence de Théologie / Baccalauréat Canonique)

Other studies

- 2003, 2004, 2010 BSI Sprachenschule (Intensive Summer German Courses), Berlin
- 1999-2000 New York University, Skirball Department of Judaic Studies
- 1999-2000 Yeshiva University, Bernard Revel Graduate School, New York
- 1994-1995 Alliance Française de Paris (Intensive French Courses)
- 1990-1993 Yeshivat Ha-Kibbutz ha-Dati, Ein-Tzurim

Academic experience and affiliations

- 2009-present Affiliated Faculty, the Department of Women's Studies & The Program in Sexuality Studies, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2009-present Assistant Professor and the E.J. and Sara Evans Fellow of Jewish History and Culture, The Department of Religious Studies, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2009-present Affiliated Scholar, The Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization at Cardozo Law School, Yeshiva University, New York
- Spring 2008 Starr Fellow, Center for Jewish Studies, Harvard University
- 2007-2009 Assistant Professor, The Department of Talmud and Rabbinics, The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York
- 2006-2007 Carey Postdoctoral Fellow, Erasmus Institute, University of Notre Dame, Indiana
- 2003-2006 Postdoctoral Fellow & Lecturer, The Programs of Religious and Interdisciplinary Studies, Tel Aviv University
- 2002-2003 Scholar-in-Residence, Paideia Institute, Stockholm
- 2001-2002 Assistant Professor (Special Category), The Department of Jewish Studies, McGill University, Montreal

Publications and presentations

I. *Doctoral dissertation*

- *Niddah : Etudes sur la Baraita de Niddah et sur la conceptualisation de la menstruation dans le monde juif et son écho dans le monde chrétien de l'époque médiévale à nos jours*, (*Studies on the Baraita de Niddah and on the conceptualization of menstruation in the Jewish world and its echo in the Christian world from the medieval period to our time*), under the direction of Alain Boureau, EHESS, 592 pages, Paris 2002.

Committee: Jean-Claude Schmitt (EHESS, President), Moshe Bar Asher (Hebrew University), Alain Boureau (EHESS), Elisheva Carlebach (CUNY/Queens College), Gilbert Dahan (EPHE), Joseph Shatzmiller (Duke University)

II. *Books*

- *An Introduction to the Contemporary Catholic Church* (complete manuscript under review)

- *La Baraita de-Niddah : Un texte juif pseudo-talmudique sur les lois religieuses relatives à la menstruation* (*The Baraita de-Niddah : a Pseudo-Talmudic Jewish Text about the Religious Laws Concerning Menstruation*), La Bibliothèque de l'Ecole des Hautes Etudes, Sciences religieuses, Vol. 157, Brepols, Turnhout 2012 (forthcoming)

- *Catholicism Now: An Introduction to the Contemporary Catholic Church* (Hebrew), Carmel Publishing House, Jerusalem 2010 (287 pages, ISBN 978-965-540-014-4, <http://www.tinyurl.com/cathonow>)

Reviews: David Neuhaus sj, www.catholic.co.il (April 20, 2010)
Vered Lee, *Haaretz* (May 5, 2010, +Interview)
Franz Le Guen, *France Catholique* (May 7, 2010, +Interview)
Yitzhak Laor, *Haaretz* (May 14, 2010)
Nicolas Baguelin, *catholiquehebraique* [blog] (September 23, 2010)
Dror Eydar, *Israel Hayom* (December 24, 2010)

- *Niddah. Lorsque les juifs conceptualisent la menstruation* (*Niddah: When Jews Conceptualise Menstruation*), Les Belles Lettres, Paris 2003 (366 pages, ISBN 2-251-44246-4, <http://www.tinyurl.com/niddah-fr>)

Reviews: Jean-Jacques Wahl, *L'Arche* 555 (2004)
Daniel Ben Simon, *Haaretz* (March 17, 2004 [Heb.] / April 2, 2004 [Eng.])
Svante Lundgren, *Nordisk Judaistik* 25:1 (2004)
Éléments pour la civilisation européenne 112-119 (2004)
Sylvie Anne Goldberg, *Annales HSS* 61:3 (2006)
Etienne Lepicard, *Korot* 18 (2006)
Charlotte Elisheva Fonrobert, *AJS Review* 31:1 (2007)
Sophie Nizard, *Archives de sciences sociales des religions* 140 (2007)

Marie-Helene Congourdeau, *The Medieval Review* (July 2, 2008)
Joëlle Allouche-Benayoun, *Clio* 28 (2008)

III. Chapters/Articles in books and academic websites

- "'Canaanites' in Medieval Jewish Households", in: *The Gift of the Land and the Fate of the Canaanites in the History of Jewish Thought, from Antiquity to the Modern Period*, Edited by Katell Berthelot and Marc Hirshman, Oxford University Press (forthcoming 2012)
- "The Stealing of the 'Apple of Eve' from the 13th century Synagogue of Winchester", in: *Henri III Fine Rolls Project, Fine of the Month: December 2011* (With David Carpenter)
- "The *Holy Letter* and Pop Culture Representations of Jewish Sexuality", in: *Cultural Representations of Jewishness at the Turn of the 21st Century*, HEC 2010/01, Edited by Magdalena Waligorska and Sophie Wagenhofer, European University Institute Press, Florence 2010, pp. 101-116

IV. Refereed journal articles

- "Rabbinic Regulations of Marital Sexuality and Their Possible Impact on Jewish Fertility and Demography", *Harvard Theological Review* 105:3 (forthcoming)
- "Jews Have the Best Sex: The Hollywood Adventures of a Peculiar Medieval Jewish Text on Sexuality", *Journal of Religion and Film* 14:2 (2010)
- "The Second Council of the Vatican: Current Debates" (Hebrew), *Zmanim* 101 (2008), pp. 28-41
- "« La synagogue des femmes » : Illustrations représentant des bains rituels au XVIII^e siècle" (The Synagogue of Women: Illustrations Representing Ritual Baths in the 18th Century), *Tsafon* 49 (2005), pp. 99-113
- "Lorsque la femme d'Eléazar de Worms croise un âne : La *Baraïta de Niddah* et son influence sur les coutumes des juives ashkénazes, de l'époque médiévale à nos jours" (When the Wife of Eleazar of Worms Meets a Donkey: The Baraita de-Niddah and Its Influence on the Customs of Ashkenazi Jewish Women, From Medieval Times to Our Own), *Revue des Études Juives* 164:1-2 (2005), pp. 235-247
- "Menstruation in Sacred Spaces: Medieval and Early-Modern Jewish Women in the Synagogue", *Nordisk Judaistik* 25:1 (2004), pp. 7-16
- "A Mystery on the Tombstones, or: Menstruation in Early-Modern Ashkenazi Culture", *Women in Judaism* 3:2 (2003), 17 pages
- "Le bain des Melunaises : Les juifs médiévaux et l'eau froide des bains rituels" (The Bath of the Women of Melun: Medieval Jews and the Cold Water of Ritual Baths), *Médiévales* 43 (2002), pp. 91-101
- "David and Goliath" (Hebrew), *Beit-Mikra* 130 (1992), pp. 245-259

V. Entries in encyclopedias

- "Baraita de-Niddah", "Mikveh", "Niddah", in: *The Cambridge Dictionary of Judaism and Jewish Culture*, Edited by Judith R. Baskin, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge 2011, pp. 55, 434, 457-458

- "Mikveh", in: *The Encyclopedia of Love, Courtship, & Sexuality Through History: Vol. III - The Early Modern Period*, Edited by Victoria L. Mondelli and Cherrie A. Gottsleben, Greenwood Press, Westport 2008, pp. 169-170
- "The Jews and the Papacy", in: *New Jewish Time: Jewish Culture in a Secular Age - An Encyclopedic View* (Hebrew), Edited by Yirmiyahu Yovel, Yair Tzaban, and David Shaham, Keter, Tel Aviv 2007, vol. 4, pp. 18-21
- "Mikveh", in: *Women and Gender in Medieval Europe: An Encyclopedia*, Edited by Margaret Schaus, Routledge, New York 2006, pp. 563-564
- "Baraita de-Niddah", in: *Jewish Women – A Comprehensive Historical Encyclopedia*, Edited by Paula E. Hyman and Dalia Ofer, CD-Rom, Shalvi Publishing, Jerusalem 2006

VI. Book reviews

- Danya Ruttenberg (ed.). *The Passionate Torah: Sex and Judaism*, in: *H-Judaic/H-Net Reviews*, January 2011
- Elie Wiesel, *Rashi: A Portrait*, in: *AJS Review* 34:2 (2010), pp. 427-430
- David Brodsky, *A Bride without a Blessing: A Study in the Redaction and Content of Massekhet Kallah and Its Gemara*, in: *The Journal for the Study of Judaism in the Persian, Hellenistic & Roman Period* 40:1 (2009), pp. 87-88
- Charles J. Reid, *Power over the Body, Equality in the Family: Rights and Domestic Relations in Medieval Canon Law*, in: *The Medieval Review* (TMR) 06.09.20, September 2006
- Alan Dundes, *The Shabbat Elevator and Other Sabbath Subterfuges: An Unorthodox Essay on Circumventing Custom and Jewish Character*, in: *Haaretz* (Hebrew), Books Supplement, June 9th 2004, p. 48 & 69
- Michael L. Satlow, *Jewish Marriage in Antiquity* / Adiel Schremer, *Male and Female He Created Them*, in: *Haaretz* (Hebrew), Books Supplement, May 5th 2004, p. 6

VII. Non-refereed journal articles

- "Aufklärung als innerjüdische Herausforderung: Rabbi Moses Schreiber, 'häretische jüdische Doktoren', und Ritualbäder" (Enlightenment as Inner-Jewish Challenge: Rabbi Moses Schreiber, "Heretic Jewish Physicians", and Ritual Bathing), *DAVID - Jüdische Kulturzeitschrift* (Forthcoming Summer 2012)
- "A Tale of a Woman and Three Sages" (Hebrew), *Reshut* 1 (1997), pp. 33-35 (unpublished translation to English by Oren Rahat, Berkeley, 2003)
- "In the Barn... - The story of Ruth" (Hebrew), *Mishlav* 22 (1992), pp. 48-51
- "King Hezekiah" (Hebrew), *Mishlav* 21 (1992), pp. 111-134
- "Resurrection in Jewish thought" (Hebrew), *Mishlav* 16 (1990), pp. 20-40

VIII. Articles currently being under peer-review

- 1. [.....]
- 2. [.....]

IX. Articles close to completion

- "Women, Men, and Cold Water: Disputes over the warming of ritual baths" (Hebrew), 44 pages
- "Men Argue, Women Immerse: Halakhic Debates over Warm Water in Ritual Baths Through History", 27 pages
- "Some Notes Regarding Concepts about Menstruation in Early-Modern Ashkenazi Culture", 9 pages

X. Conferences and scholarly lectures

- "Jewish Regulation of Marital Sexuality in the Middle Ages and the Early Modern Eras", 15. Symposium des Mediävistenverbands, Heidelberg, March 5th 2013 (forthcoming)
- "'Cardinal Ottaviani stumbled back in humiliation': An Historical Inquiry into the Construction and Dissemination of the 'Vatican II Story', 1962-2012", Vatican II Reconsidered, Walsh University, May 4th 2012 (forthcoming)
- "Mishnah and Talmud as Jewish Literature of Late Antiquity", Antike Mittelmeerkulturen Seminar, University of Graz, January 26th 2012
- "How to Do It Right: Three Medieval Jewish Authors' Rulings on Marital Sex", The Institute of Historical Research, The University of London's School of Advanced Study, October 20th 2011
- "Aufklärung als innerjüdische Herausforderung: Rabbi Moses Schreiber, 'häretische jüdische Doktoren', und Ritualbäder" (Enlightenment as Inner-Jewish Challenge: Rabbi Moses Schreiber, "Heretic Jewish Physicians", and Ritual Bathing), The 13th International Congress for Eighteenth Century Studies, University of Graz, July 27th 2011
- "How to Do It Right: Medieval and Early Modern Jewish Guidebooks on Marital Sexuality", The Program in Medieval and Early Modern Studies, UNC Chapel Hill, November 16th 2010
- "Une société unifiée par sa Loi : imaginaire et réalité" (A Society Unified by Its Law : Imagination and Reality), La civilisation du judaïsme de la Diaspora : Colloque international, Alliance israélite universelle, Paris, February 14th 2010
- "'The Canaanite was then in the Land': 'Canaanites' in Jewish European Medieval Households", The Gift of the Land and the Fate of the Canaanites: A Conference, Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem, December 9th 2009
- Respondent in the panel "Rabbinic Gender and the Body", The 40th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Washington DC, December 23rd 2008
- "Sex Guidance for a 19th century Traditional Jewish Male: The Case of the *Kitzur Shulhan Arukh*", The 40th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Washington DC, December 22nd 2008
- "Representations of Jewish Sexuality in Contemporary European Culture", The European University Institute, Florence, November 24th 2008 (revised versions published in *HEC* 2010/01 and *JRF* 14.2 (2010))
- "The History of Jewish Sex Guides: Preliminary Findings", Starr Seminar, Harvard University Center for Jewish Studies, March 13th 2008

- "Rabbinic Power and Powerlessness in the Bedroom: Halakhic Guides to Sexual Relations from the 13th to the 21st Century", The 39th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Toronto, December 18th 2007
- "Retelling Vatican II: Current Debates and Narratives", The Department of Theology, History of Christianity Colloquium, University of Notre Dame, April 24th 2007 (additional presentation: The Department of Theology, University of Scranton, March 26th 2009)
- "Men Argue, Women Immerse: Halakhic Debates over Warm Water in Medieval Mikva'ot, and their Socio-Climatic Context", The Department of Talmud and Rabbinics, The Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, February 28th 2007
- "The Baraita de-Niddah and its Possible Contribution to the Study of Jewish Cultural History and Midrash", The Department of Hebrew and Semitic Studies, University of Wisconsin at Madison, February 12th 2007 (additional presentations: Lunch and Learn, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, October 6th 2008; The Department of Religious Studies of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, February 17th 2009; The Department of Religion and Culture at St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, March 6th 2009)
- "The Use of Warm Water in Jewish Ritual Baths (12th-20th centuries)", The 38th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, San Diego, December 17th 2006
- "Jewish Menstrual Laws and Jewish Fertility: A Historical Re-consideration", Princeton University, Program in Judaic Studies, December 6th 2006 (presented later at the Department of Religious Studies and Anthropology, St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, February 22nd 2007)
- "How Should a Nice Israeli Jewish Orthodox Couple Do It?", a paper in a panel on religious sex manuals, The American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Washington DC, November 18th 2006
- "Joseph Ratzinger on Gender and Feminist Theories", Gender, Religion and Society: An International Conference, Bar Ilan University, May 21st 2006
- "The *Baraita de Niddah*: Findings from a New Critical Edition", The 14th World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, August 2nd 2005
- "The Crucifixion and the Jews in Contemporary Catholicism: When History, Theology, Ethics, and Political Correctness, meet", in the symposium *The Crucifixion and the Jews – A year after Gibson's Passion*, The Cymbalista Center, Tel Aviv University, April 4th 2005
- "The Study of Menstruation as a Historical Tool", Haifa University, May 18th 2004
- "The Use of Warm Water in Ritual Bathes: A Survey of Halakhic Literature", Leo Baeck College, London, April 30th 2004
- "The *Baraita de Niddah*: Some Findings from a New Critical Edition", The 35th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Boston, December 23rd 2003
- "La fascinante *Baraita de Niddah* : du vrai ? du faux ? - vers une édition critique d'un texte juif (pseudo ?) talmudique sur la menstruation" (The Fascinating Baraita de-Niddah : Real? Fake? Towards a Critical Edition of a (pseudo ?) Talmudic Jewish Text about Menstruation), CNRS, Centre d'études des religions du Livre, Villejuif, December 11th 2003
- "Lorsque la femme d'Eléazar de Worms croise un âne : La *Baraita de Niddah* et son influence sur les coutumes des juives ashkénazes de l'époque médiévale à nos jours" (When the Wife of Eleazar of Worms Meets a Donkey: The Baraita de-Niddah and Its Influence on the

Customs of Ashkenazi Jewish Women, From Medieval Times to Our Own), La Société des études juives, Sorbonne, Paris, June 16th 2003 (published in *Revue des Études juives* 164:1-2)

- "Anti-Semitism and 'Anti-Goyism': Accusations, Insults, and Acts", Faculty of Theology, Uppsala University, May 20th 2003

- "Menstruation in Sacred Spaces: Medieval Jewish Women and the Synagogue", Presentation at the conference "Defining the holy: Sacred Space in Medieval and Early Modern Europe" The Department of History, University of Exeter, April 11th 2003 (published in *Nordisk Judaistik* 25:1)

- "Ben ha-Niddah: When medieval Jews insult their neighbors' Deity", The 7th Congress of the European Association for Jewish Studies, Amsterdam, July 25th 2002

- "Le bain des Melunoises : Les juifs médiévaux et l'eau froide des bains rituels" (The Bath of the Women of Melun: Medieval Jews and the Cold Water of Ritual Baths), Le bain dans les sociétés médiévales - Table ronde, Université d'Avignon et des pays de Vaucluse, Avignon, October 19th 2001 (published in *Médiévales* 43)

- "Observing the Holy: Women, Menstruation and Torah Scrolls in 17th and 18th Centuries Europe", McGill University, The Department of Jewish Studies, Montreal, January 4th 2001

XI. Conferences to lay public

- "Post-Vatican-II Catholicism and the Jews", Guest lecturer in the course "Christian-Jewish Relations throughout the Ages" of Prof. Yaakov Ariel, UNC Chapel Hill, April 5th 2011

- "Contemporary Catholicism and Homosexuality", Guest lecturer in the course "Gender and Sexuality in Western Christianity" of Prof. Randall Styers, UNC Chapel Hill, November 17th 2011

- "How to Do It Right: Three Medieval Jewish Authors' Rulings on Marital Sex", The Triangle Seminar for Jewish Studies, The National Humanities Center, Durham NC, February 13th 2012

- "So What is Jewish Law? History, Structure, Logic, Examples", UNC Program in the Humanities, The Uhlman Family Seminar, UNC Chapel Hill, February 3rd 2011

- "Sexuality in Judaism: Myths and Laws", UNC Program in the Humanities, UNC Chapel Hill, December 3rd 2010

- Participation in a panel about the film "Trembling before G-d", UNC Hillel & LGBTQ Council, UNC Chapel Hill, November 22nd 2010

- "Halakhah, Jewish Law", Guest lecturer in the course "Introduction to Jewish Studies" of Prof. Jonathan Boyarin, UNC Chapel Hill, October 13th 2010

- "Catholicism Now: Presentation and Discussion", The Hebrew Speaking Catholic Parish, Jerusalem, June 22nd 2010

- "The Book of the Pious ('Sefer Hasidism'): A Unique Window into Medieval Jewish Life", Judea Reform Congregation, Durham NC, April 10th 2010

- "Water in Judaism, Christianity, Islam", Guest lecturer in the course "Water Resource Management and Human Rights", Curriculum in International and Area Studies, UNC Chapel Hill, January 14th 2010

- "What is Rabbinics?", Presentation to the Board of the Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, UNC Chapel Hill, November 8th 2009

- "Confessions in Cinema: Between Hitchcock's *I Confess* (1953) to Forman's *Amadeus* (1984)", a part of a lecture series on the film *Amadeus*, The Faculty of Performing Arts, Tel Aviv University, January 10th 2006
- "Between Two Popes: The second day of the Conclave", Tel Aviv University, April 19th 2005
- "The Papacy", Ulpan Akiva, Netanya, April 18th 2005
- "The Vatican and The Catholic Church: Possible Scenarios in the Coming Decades", The Division of Diplomatic Planning of The Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem, December 30th 2004
- "Thoughts on Gibson's Passion", Tel Aviv Cinémathèque, December 24th 2004
- "The Hierarchy of Sources in the Contemporary Catholic Church", Tel Aviv University, November 16th 2004
- "Les mouvements juifs dans le monde d'aujourd'hui. Histoire et sociologie" (Jewish Movements in the World Today: History and Sociology), Institut Catholique de Paris, December 8th 2003
- "Introducing Niddah", Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, November 19th 2003
- Participation in a panel about the film "Purity" by Anat Zuria, Musée d'art et d'histoire du Judaïsme, Paris, June 23rd 2003
- "Pourquoi les juifs contreviennent-ils à leur propre Loi ? Psychologie, sociologie et légalisme" (Why Jews Contravene Their Own Law? Psychology, Sociology, and Legalism), Institut Catholique de Paris, March 3rd 2003
- "Rashi of the Legends", Paideia's Public Lectures, Stockholm and Malmo, Autumn 2002
- "Jérusalem dans le Midrash" (Jerusalem in the Midrash), Institut Catholique de Paris, May 1997
- "L'éducation religieuse et les Yeshivot en Israël" (The Religious Education and the Yeshivas in Israel), Centre des Sœurs de Sion, Paris, February 1997

XII. Radio and TV interviews

- A series of interviews with Tali Lipkin-Shahak, Radio Tel Aviv 103FM: "The Funeral of John Paul II" (April 8th 2005, live from Rome), "The Conclave's First Day" (April 18th 2005), "The Election of Cardinal Ratzinger" (April 20th 2005)
- Interview with Alex Talmor, Radio Reshet Aleph, April 5th 2005: "The Catholic Church Today" (Hebrew, 52 minutes, recording available)
- Interview, TV Channel 10 News, April 3rd 2005: "The Death of John Paul II"
- Interviews with Eran Sabag, IDF Radio: "Monastic Life Today" (March 9th 2005), "Is the Vatican a Holy Land?" (January 25th 2005)
- Interview with Meirav Michaeli, Radio Tel Aviv 103FM, February 28th 2005: "The Meaning for Catholics of John Paul II's sickness"
- Discussion of the book *The Da Vinci Code* with Ruti Keren *et al.*, Radio Reshet Aleph, February 26th 2005 (Hebrew, 50 minutes, recording available)
- Interview, The Children TV Channel News, February 8th 2005: "What is a Pope?"

- Interview with Ariel Sion about the book *Niddah. Lorsque les juifs conceptualisent la menstruation*, Radio JudaïquesFM, Paris, January 13th 2004 (French, 35 minutes, recording available)

Jury participation

Ph.D:

- "Jewish Priests and The Social History of Post-70 Palestine", Doctoral Dissertation by Matthew J. Grey, UNC Chapel Hill, Department of Religious Studies, March 2011 (Member of committee with Eric M. Meyers, Joel Marcus, and Bart D. Ehrman. Supervisor: Jodi Magness)
- "God Wants it! – The Ideology of Martyrdom of the Hebrew Chronicles of the First Crusade in the Light of its Jewish and Christian Background", Doctoral Dissertation by Lena Roos, Uppsala University (Sweden), December 2002 ("Opponent")

Master:

- "Modest Hair in Jewish Orthodoxy", Master Thesis by Zvia S., Duke University, Department of Religion, December 2009 (Co-Supervisor with Laura S. Lieber and Ebrahim E.I. Moosa)

Bachelor:

- "The Future of Monastic Enclosure: The Influence of Contemporary Society", Honor Thesis by Scott P., UNC Chapel Hill, Department of Religious Studies, March 2012 (Supervisor. Co-reader: Zlatko Plese)
- "Engaging Catholic Youth Today: High School Catholic Youth Ministry in the United States", Honor Thesis by Lucy D., UNC Chapel Hill, Department of Religious Studies, March 2011 (Supervisor. Co-reader: Yaakov Ariel)
- "Ignoring Leviticus: An Analysis of the 2008 Financial Crisis from the Perspective of Jewish Legal and Ethical Principles", Senior Thesis by Mahmood A., Duke University, Department of Religion, March 2011 (Co-Reader. Supervisors: Laura S. Lieber and Eric M. Meyers)
- "Examining the Conflict over Homosexuality in American Public Schools: Can 'LGBT Advocacy Groups' and 'Socially Conservative Evangelical' Christians Find Common Ground?", Honor Thesis by Katherine N., UNC Chapel Hill, Department of Religious Studies, March 2011 (Supervisor. Co-reader: Randall G. Styers)

Current Research (main projects)

- The History of Traditional Jewish Works on Marital Relations
- Study of the creation and propagation of various narratives of the (hi)story of the Second Council of the Vatican ("Vatican II")

Grants and awards

- Winner, together with David Carpenter (King's College, London), of the "Fine of the Year, 2011" for the article "The Stealing of the 'Apple of Eve' from the 13th century Synagogue of

Winchester" (*Henri III Fine Rolls Project*)

- Pre-Tenure Research Leave, UNC Chapel Hill (Fall 2011, full salary)
- Humanities and Fine Arts Award, UNC Chapel Hill (Summer 2010, \$4,700)
- Course Development Grant, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, UNC-CH (Fall 2009, \$500)
- University Research Council Grant, UNC Chapel Hill (Fall 2009, \$1,000)
- Harry Starr Fellow, Center for Jewish Studies, Harvard University (Spring 2008, \$40,000)
- Carey Postdoctoral Fellow, Erasmus Institute, University of Notre Dame (2006-2007, \$35,000)
- Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Tel Aviv University (2004-2006, \$16,000 x 2)
- Publication Aid ("aide pour la publication"), Fondation C.I.L Lebel (2002)
- Doctoral Grant, Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture (1999-2002, \$15,000)
- BRGS Dean's Grant, Yeshiva University (Fall 2000, \$3,000)
- Research Grant, Fondation du judaïsme français (2000)
- Mozes S. Schupf Visiting Fellow, Yeshiva University (1999-2000, \$15,000)
- Research Award, Alliance Israélite Universelle (1998-1999)
- Grant, Ministère français des affaires étrangères (1998-1999, c. 15,000 Euro)
- Grant, The Martha Panazany Fund (1998)
- Award, Comité Episcopal pour les relations avec le judaïsme (1998)
- Tuition, Institut Catholique de Paris (1996-1997 ; 1997-1998)

Teaching experience (F/S/Sm= Fall/Spring/Summer, FYS=First Year Seminar, U=Undergraduate, G=Graduate, A=Adult Education, x2/x3=taught two/three times)

- The Hochschule für Jüdische Studien (Heidelberg, 2011)
Ritual Purity in Judaism (G, Sm2011: 15 students)
- The Department of Religious Studies, UNC Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill, 2009-)
Introduction to Contemporary Catholicism
(U, x3, F2009: 23 students, F2010: 57, S2012: 89)
Jewish Legal Literature (UG, x2, F2009: 16 students, F2010: 15)
Traditional Jewish Literature (U, x2, S2010: 14 students, S2011: 26)
Medieval Jewish Bible Interpretation (UG, S2010: 6 students)
Religion and Society in Historical Novels (FYS, S2011: 23 students)
Honors/Independent Study (U, 2009-2010: 1 student, 2010-2011: 2, 2011-2012: 1)
Sexuality and Marriage in Jewish Tradition and History (UG, S2012: 18 students)
- Jewish Theological Seminary (New York, 2007-2009)
Introduction to Mishnah (U)
Introduction to Talmud (U, x2)
Issues in Practical Halakhah (G, x2)
Codes for Talmud Majors and Others (U, x2)
Sexuality and Jewish Law (G, x2)

- Meah Program (Hebrew College, New York, Fall 2008)
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible (A)
- Tel Aviv University (2003-2006)
The Best of Jewish Studies: Recent Trends (U)
Advanced Subjects in Contemporary Catholicism (G)
Introduction to Contemporary Catholicism (U, x3)
- Emek Izreel College (2005)
Sexuality and Intimacy in Jewish Culture (U)
Jewish History: A General Overview (U)
- Paideia Institute (Stockholm, 2002-2003)
The Sabbath through the Ages (U)
From Genesis to Chronicles: Reading the Jewish Bible in a Year (U)
Jewish History: A General Overview (U)
- McGill University (Montreal, 2000-2002)
Medieval Ashkenazi Bible Interpretation (U)
A Book of the Bible: Exodus (U)
Sexuality and Marriage in Jewish Tradition and History (U)
Medieval Sephardic Bible Interpretation (U, x2)

Participation in special programs and projects

- Faculty member at the Ignatz-Bubis-Summerschool 2011 ("Ritual Purity in Various Religious Cultures") of the Hochschule für Jüdische Studien, Heidelberg, Germany (August 2011)
- Scientific advisor for "Living in the Holy Land: Knowing and Respecting Differences", a project sponsored by the European Union, created by the Center for Educational Technology, Tel Aviv (2004-2006)
- Fellow, Lehmann Memorial Workshop, the Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania (April 2002)
- Fellow, Jerusalem School in Jewish Studies (July 2001)

Membership in editorial boards

- *Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal*, The University of Toronto (2005-)
- *Religion Compass*, Blackwell Publishing (2007-)

Membership in professional associations

- The American Academy of Religion (AAR)
- The Association for Jewish Studies (AJS)

Other contributions to scholarship and administration

- Member of Advisory Board of the Program in Sexuality Studies, UNC Chapel Hill (2012-2015)
- Member of the committee "The Future of MEMS", Program in Medieval and Early Modern Studies (MEMS), UNC Chapel Hill (2012)
- Member of grants committee, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, UNC Chapel Hill (2012)
- Member of a search committee for a position in Medieval and Early Modern Christianity, Department of Religious Studies, UNC Chapel Hill (2011)
- Member of a committee preparing for a departmental external review, Department of Religious Studies, UNC Chapel Hill (2011)
- Member of a search committee for a position in Islam, Department of Religious Studies, UNC Chapel Hill (2010)
- Member of grants committee, Program in Medieval and Early Modern Studies (MEMS), UNC Chapel Hill (2009)
- Reviewer of grants in the field of Rabbinics, The Israel Science Foundation (2009-)
- Reviewer of grants in the field of Jewish History, The Austrian Science Fund (FWF) (2011-)
- Reviewer for several journals: *AJS Review* ; *Chidushim* ; *Journal of Religion and Popular Culture* ; *Journal of Religious History* ; *Religion* ; *Women in Judaism*

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