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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Juniorprofessor (=Assistant Professor) für Jüdische Literatur und Kultur
University of Greifswald (2010-; initial appointment of three years, renewed for another three)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Harold Schnitzer Family Program in Judaic Studies
University of Oregon (2009-2010)

Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Postdoctoral Associate, Program in Judaic Studies
Lecturer, Department of History
Yale University (2006-2009)

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Ph.D., *History* (June 2006)
Renaissance Intellectual and Cultural History

Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Visiting Research Student (1999-2001)
Jewish History and Thought

University of Chicago, B.A., *Classics and Fundamentals: Issues and Texts* (1997)
Senior Thesis: "Plato as Friend and Critic of Pythagoreanism: The Case of *Phaedo*"
Thesis Advisor: Professor Martha Nussbaum

DISSERTATION

"The Hebrew Question in the Italian Renaissance: Linguistic, Cultural, and Mystical Perspectives"
Committee: James Hankins (chair), Ann Blair, and Moshe Idel

PUBLICATIONS

I. Book Projects:

The Hebrew Question in the Italian Renaissance, book manuscript currently in preparation (completion of draft expected in early 2015, available upon request).

Renaissance Cabala: Introductory Texts (editor and translator from Latin with Brian C.openhaver and Fabrizio Lelli). Invited to contribute to this forthcoming volume of the Villa I Tatti Renaissance Library of Harvard University Press; introduction, translation, and notes near completion (expected 2015).

Hebrew between Jews and Christians (editor). Volume based on eponymous conference (July 2012); currently in preparation and provisionally under contract with the *Studia Judaica* series of Walter de Gruyter (expected publication 2015).

Sambatyon: The Mythical Boundary in Time and Space (editor, with Moti Benmelech). Volume based on eponymous conference (August 2013); currently undergoing initial preparation.

II. Articles in Core Research Areas:

“Timasitheus the God-Reverer: A Reading of Machiavelli's *Discourses* III.29.” Accepted for publication in *Storia del Pensiero Politico*, forthcoming in early 2015.

“Polemical Language: The Place of Hebrew in Medieval and Early Modern Jewish-Christian Discourse.” Accepted for publication in *Jewish History*, forthcoming in early 2015.

“Isaac ha-Kohen's Letter to Marco Lippomano: Jewish-Christian Exchange and Arabic Learning in Renaissance Italy.” *Jewish Quarterly Review* 104.2 (Spring 2014), pp. 192-233.

“Egidio da Viterbo's *Book on Hebrew Letters*: Christian Kabbalah in Papal Rome,” with Brian Copenhaver. *Renaissance Quarterly* 67 (2014), pp. 1-42.

“Toward the Source of the Sambatyon: Shabbat Discourse and the Emergence of the Sabbatical River Legend.” *Association for Jewish Studies Review* 37,1 (April 2013), pp. 1-28.

“Polemical Discourse,” in Geoffrey Khan, ed., *Encyclopedia of Hebrew Language and Linguistics* (Brill, 2013), pp. 164-9.

“The Jericho Labyrinth: The Rise and Fall of a Jewish Visual Trope,” in *Juden in Mitteleuropa (2012): Juden und Geheimnis. Geheimes Wissen und Verschwörungstheorien*, pp. 52-59.

“Die hebräische Frage in der italienischen Renaissance.” *Judaica: Beiträge zum Verstehen des Judentums* 67.4 (2012), pp. 360-383.

“Pierfrancesco Giambullari and Azariah de' Rossi: A Note on the Hebrew Discourse of *Me'or Enayim*, Chapter 57.” *Revue des Etudes Juives* 170 (2011), pp. 285-291.

“Entering the Labyrinth: The Hebraic and Kabbalistic Universe of Egidio da Viterbo,” in Ilana Zinguer, Abraham Melamed, and Zur Shalev, eds., *Hebraic Aspects of the Renaissance: Sources and Encounters* (Brill, 2011), pp. 27-42; conference proceedings (see below under “Conference and Other Presentations”).

“Links und Rechts: Direktionalität in der Christlich-Jüdischen Polemik im mittelalterlichen und frühneuzeitlichen Europa.” Under review.

“‘A Noble and Famous Jew’: Josephus and His Writings in the Renaissance Italian Imagination.” Article currently in preparation.

“‘Thus He Did Not Do For Any Other Nation’ (Psalm 147:20): Jewish Reactions to Christian Hebraism.” Article currently in preparation.

III. Articles in Supplementary Research Areas:

“‘Der Bund, den Du an unserem Fleisch besiegelt hast’: Beschneidung in jüdischem Denken und jüdischer Praxis” in *Rituelle Beschneidung von Jungen: Interdisziplinäre Perspektiven*, eds. Martin Langanke, Andreas Ruwe, and Henning Theissen (Evangelische Verlagsanstalt, 2014), pp. 99-112; conference proceedings (see below under “Conference and Other Presentations”).

“Between Eyal and Axel, Yahweh and Christ: The Theological Sub-Text of 'Walk on Water' (2004).” Accepted for publication and forthcoming in *Prooftexts: A Journal of Jewish Literary History* 33.3.

IV. Reviews:

Review of David Berger, *Cultures in Collision and Conversation: Essays in the Intellectual History of the Jews*. Forthcoming in *Theologische Literaturzeitung* in early 2015

Review of Yaacob Dweck, *The Scandal of Kabbalah: Leon Modena, Jewish Mysticism, Early Modern Venice*. *Renaissance Quarterly* 66 (Fall 2013), pp. 1014-6.

Review of Moshe Idel, *Old Worlds, New Mirrors: On Jewish Mysticism and Twentieth-Century Thought*. *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 30.2 (2012), pp. 167-9.

Review of Roni Weinstein, trans. Batya Stein, *Juvenile Sexuality, Kabbalah, and Catholic Reformation in Italy*. *Renaissance Quarterly* 64 (Spring 2011), pp. 273-4.

Review of Ian R. Christie-Miller and François Roudaut, eds., *Jean Thenaud: Traicté de la Cabale*. *H-France Review*, Vol. 10 (Feb. 2010), no. 30.

Review essay, “From Septuagint to Singer: Translation as Legend and Politics,” with Isaac Meyers. *Prooftexts: A Journal of Jewish Literary History* 28 (2008), pp. 363-382.

(The principal author died unexpectedly before completing this piece, and I was asked to review, revise, and complete his work)

Review of *Hebraica Veritas? Christian Hebraists and the Study of Judaism in Early Modern Europe*, edited by Allison P. Coudert and Jeffrey S. Shoulson. *Hebraic Political Studies* 1 (2005), pp. 128-136.

CONFERENCE AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

“‘Left and Right’: Directionality and Christian-Jewish Difference (12th-17th Centuries)”

Invited lectures, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Jan. 4, 2015, in Hebrew) and Tel Aviv University (Jan. 6, 2015).

“Josephus and Jesus: A Renaissance Relationship”

Invited seminar presentation, Tel Aviv University (Jan. 5, 2015, in Hebrew)

“In or Out? The Labyrinth of Jericho Between Jews and Christians”

Invited lecture for the research group, “The Visualization of Knowledge in the Medieval and Early Modern Periods,” The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Institute for Advanced Studies (December 25, 2014).

“Destra, Sinistra, Centro: Direzionalità e centralità nei rapporti ebrei-cristiani (12-17 secolo)”

Invited presentation as part of the seminar, *Rinascimento: Ebrei e Cristiani* Jewish Community of Florence; Florence, Italy (April 6, 2014)

“The Sambatyon Crosses the Lost Tribes: How Two Myths Became One” (August 5, 2013)

“The Sambatyon: Judaism's Space-Time Continuum” (August 4, 2013)

Sambatyon: The Mythical Border in Time and Space

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Ben Zvi Institute; Jerusalem, Israel

“Symbolic Entry? The Jericho Labyrinth and Early Modern Holy Land Pilgrimage”

World Congress of Jewish Studies

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Jerusalem, Israel (July 30, 2013)

“Hat das Judentum einen Personenbegriff? Anmerkungen zur Rolle des Individuums in Ritual und Denken”

Die Erfindung des Menschen: Person und Persönlichkeit in ihren lebensweltlichen Kontexten

Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany (June 14, 2013)

“Uncovering the Origin, Development, and Meaning of Legends: The Case of the Ten Lost Tribes”

Invited presentation for the doctoral student interdisciplinary seminar

School of Mission and Theology; Stavanger, Norway (May 9, 2013)

“‘Ani Ma'amin be'Emunah Schleimah...’ (‘Ich glaube in ganzem Glauben...’): Bekennen und Bekenntnisse im Judentum im Laufe der Jahrhunderte”

Presentation for lecture series: “Bekennen, Bekenntnis, Bekenntnisse: Ringvorlesung anlässlich des 450. Jubiläums des Heidelberger Katechismus (1563)”

Theologische Fakultät, Universität Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany (April 24, 2013)

“‘Der Bund, den Du an unserem Fleisch besiegelt hast’: Beschneidung im jüdischen Denken und Praxis”

Rituelle Beschneidung von Jungen: Interdisziplinäre Perspektiven

Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany (April 4, 2013)

“That Noble and Famous Jew’: Josephus and His Writings in the Renaissance Italian Imagination”

Participant in workshop, “The Reception of Josephus by Jews and Christians from Late Antiquity to 1750”

Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies; Oxford, England (Jan. 8, 2013)

“Warum Hebräisch nach links und Latein nach rechts geht, oder: Wie die Leute im Mittelalter und in der frühen Moderne darüber gedacht haben”

Invited presentation at the Oranienburgerstraße Synagogue; Berlin, Germany (November 10, 2012)

“Der Einfluss jüdischer Gelehrter in der Renaissance”

Invited lecture, Evangelisches Stift, Universität Tübingen; Tübingen, Germany (July 9, 2012)

“Toward the Source of the Sambatyon: Sabbath, Roman Power, and Lost Tribes in Early Traditions of the Sabbatical River”

Greifswald/Rostock Altes-Testament-Colloquium; Rostock, Germany (July 6, 2012)

“Why Hebrew goes to the left and Latin to the right, or at least why Medievals and Early Moderns thought so”

Hebrew Between Jews and Christians; Greifswald, Germany (July 3, 2012)

“Moses the Conqueror and Jesus the Robber: The Greek Backdrop to Machiavelli, *Discourses* II:8”

Organized Panel, “Machiavelli’s Greek Sources”

Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; Washington, D.C. (March 23, 2012)

“Symbolic Entry? The Jericho Labyrinth and Early Modern Holy Land Pilgrimage”

Invited lecture, Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA (March 19, 2012)

“Holy Land on the Baltic: The Gustaf Dalman Collection in Greifswald”

Invited lecture, Center for Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA (March 15, 2012)

“Der Sambatyon-Fluss: Die Entstehung und Bedeutung einer jüdischen Legende”

Invited presentation at the Oranienburgerstraße Synagogue
Berlin, Germany (March 10, 2012)

“Der Sambatyon-Fluss: Die Transformationen eines Mythos in der frühen Neuzeit”

Forum Jüdische Geschichte und Kultur: Jüdische Populärkultur in der Frühen Neuzeit
Stuttgart, Germany (February 11, 2012)

“Die Jüdische Welt Heute: Strömungen und Herausforderungen”

Invited lecture as part of series, “Universität im Rathaus” (“The University at City Hall”)
Greifswald, Germany (January 16, 2012)

“Das Gustaf-Dalman-Institut in Greifswald: Sammlungen und Forschungsmöglichkeiten”

Jahrestagung der AG Jüdische Sammlungen
Hamburg, Germany (September 15, 2011)

“A Hebrew Language Introduction to Arabic from Early Quattrocento Italy: Isaac Cohen’s Letter to Marco Lippomano”

The Jews of Italy: Their Contribution to the Development and Spread of Jewish Heritage
Ravenna, Italy (September 7, 2011)

“The Jericho Labyrinth: Rise and Fall(?) of a Jewish Visual Trope”

Invited participant in conference, “Text and Image in Religious Cosmology”
University of Haifa; Haifa, Israel (July 26, 2011)

“Die hebräische Frage in der italienischen Renaissance”

Invited lecture as part of the series, “Zur Geschichte der Juden in Italien”
Universität Potsdam; Potsdam, Germany (June 30, 2011)

“Verschiedene Strömungen im Judentum”

Invited presentation for the Evangelische Studenten Gemeinde, Universität Greifswald
Greifswald, Germany (June 27, 2011)

“Die hebräische Frage in der italienischen Renaissance”

Inaugural Lecture, Theologische Fakultät, Universität Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany (May 25, 2011)

“Toward the Source of the Sambatyon: Shabbat Discourse, Roman Power, and Ten Lost Tribes
in the Emergence of the Sabbatical River Legend”

Limmud-Deutschland; Werbellinsee, Joachimsthal, Germany (June 4, 2011)

“The Jericho Labyrinth: The Rise and Fall of a Jewish Visual Trope”

Invited lecture, UCLA Centers for Jewish Studies/Medieval and Renaissance Studies; Los Angeles, CA (March 31, 2011)

“Isaac Cohen to Marco Lippomano: A Christian Hebraist Learns Arabic—in Hebrew”

Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; Montreal, Québec (March 24, 2011)

“Das Labyrinth von Jericho: Der Aufstieg und Fall einer jüdischen visuellen Trope”

Faculty Workshop, Theologische Fakultät, Universität Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany (January 10, 2011)

“Toward the Source of the Sambatyon: Sabbath, Roman Power, and Lost Tribes in Early Traditions of the Sabbatical River”

Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies; Boston, MA (December 19, 2010)

“The Jericho Labyrinth: Rise and Fall of a Jewish Visual Trope”

Limmud-Tag Berlin; Berlin, Germany (November 7, 2010)

“Tribal Talk: On the Emergence and Significance of the Myth of the Ten Lost Tribes”

Temple Beth Israel; Eugene, OR (May 27, 2010)

“The Hebrew Question in the Italian Renaissance”

The University of Oregon; Eugene, OR (February 11, 2010)

“Walking through ‘Walk on Water’”

Screening, Presentation, and Guided Discussion of the Israeli film “Walk on Water” (2004)

Temple Beth Israel; Eugene, OR (January 9, 2010)

“Language, Rhetoric, and the Question of a Jewish ‘Renaissance’”

Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies; Los Angeles, CA (December 20, 2009)

“Stämme-Diskurs: Über die Entstehung und Bedeutung des Mythos der zehn verlorenen Stämme im

Judentum.” Invited presentation for the Theologische Fakultät, Universität Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany (October 16, 2009)

“Tribal Talk: On the Emergence and Development of the Myth of the Ten Lost Tribes”

Brown Bag Faculty Lunch, Oregon Humanities Center, University of Oregon; Eugene, OR (October 13, 2009)

“Entering the Labyrinth: The Hebraic and Kabbalistic Universe of Egidio da Viterbo”

Invited participant in the conference, “Hebraic Aspects of the Renaissance: Sources and Encounters”; University of Haifa; Haifa, Israel (May 11, 2009)

“Two Romes and Two Promised Lands: Italy and the Land of Israel in the Early Sixteenth Century”

Organized Panel, “Early Modern Promised Lands”

Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; Los Angeles, CA (March 20, 2009)

“Machiavelli’s Moses: The Bible, Classical Sources, and the Fate of Politics and Religion”

Invited presentation for the Department of Italian, Yale University; New Haven, CT (February 26, 2009)

“The Alphabetic Cross: Judaism and Hebrew in the Medieval Church Dedication Rite”

Medieval Lunch, Yale University; New Haven, CT (February 18, 2009)

“The Hebrew Question in Renaissance Humanism: Language, Spirit, and the Basis of Human Autonomy”

Early Modern Workshop, Department of History, Harvard University; Cambridge, MA (January 27, 2009)

“Directionality and Mutability: The Place of the Hebrew Language in Medieval and Early Modern Jewish-Christian Discourse and Polemic”

Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies; Washington, D.C. (December 21, 2008)

“The *Libellus de Litteris Hebraicis* of Egidio da Viterbo: Sources, Contexts, Aims”

Sixteenth Century Society Conference; St. Louis, MO (October 24, 2008)

“Why Hebrew goes to the left and Latin to the right, or at least why Medievals thought so”
Medieval Lunch, Yale University; New Haven, CT (April 8, 2008)

“Josephus in the Italian Renaissance”
Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; Chicago, IL (April 4, 2008)

“Mosaic Inversions”
The Sir Thomas More Lecture Series, Yale University; New Haven, CT (March 28, 2008)

“In Pursuit of the Holy Tongue: Jewish and Christian Studies of Hebrew in the Italian Renaissance”
Organizer and one of two speakers at UCLA colloquium; Los Angeles, CA (March 3, 2008)

“Machiavelli’s Moses”
Invited presentation as part of program, “Reading the Bible Politically” at the Gallatin School,
New York University; New York, NY (February 21, 2008)

“Kabbalah and Messianism in Shlomo Molcho’s Circle: The Case of Elijah Menahem Halfan”
Organized Panel, “Messianism in the Sixteenth Century”
Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies; Toronto, Canada (December 17, 2007)

“Hebrew and the Vernaculars: On the Politics of Language in Early Modern Europe”
Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; Miami, FL (March 23, 2007)

“The Sources and Significance of Machiavelli’s Moses”
The Sir Thomas More Lecture Series, Yale University; New Haven, CT (February 16, 2007)

“Kingdom of Priests and Holy Nation: Exodus 19:6 in Exegesis and History”
Taste of Honey, Annual Jewish Learning Event in New Haven, CT (January 27, 2007)

“Moses the Conqueror: Machiavelli on God’s Power and the Possibility of Politics”
Political Hebraism: Jewish Sources in the History of Political Thought; Jerusalem, Israel
(December 28, 2006)

Presentation on Hanukkah and Machiavelli’s Moses
Yale University Chai Society; New Haven, CT (December 15, 2006)

“Moses the Conqueror: Machiavelli on God’s Power and the Possibility of Politics”
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association; Philadelphia, PA (August 31, 2006)

Presentations for the Shalem Center Institute for Philosophy, Politics, and Religion; Jerusalem, Israel (2005-06):
“Moses in Machiavelli” (Nov. 7); “Italian Jewish Reactions to Renaissance Christian Hebraism” (April 4)

“A Holy Language? Christian Hebraists and the Status of Hebrew in the Renaissance”
Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies; Chicago, IL (December, 2004)

“Sacra Spiratio (Holy Breath): Egidio da Viterbo on the Hebrew Aspirate Letters”
Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; New York, NY (April 2, 2004)

“Between the Classical and Barbarian: Renaissance Attitudes Towards the Hebrew Language”
Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America; Toronto, Canada (March 29, 2003)

“Jewish Messianism and Christian Hebraism: A Quiet Partnership?”

Organized Panel, “Perspectives on Christian Hebraism in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries”

Awarded Dorot Travel Grant for best graduate presenters

Annual Meeting of the Association for Jewish Studies; Los Angeles, CA (December 17, 2002)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Fellow, Villa I Tatti: The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies	2013-2014
Fellow, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies (declined)	2010
Skirball Fellowship, Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome (declined)	2009
Finalist, Mandel Scholars Program, Scholion, Hebrew University of Jerusalem	2008
Cross Currents Annual Research Colloquium (declined)	2006
Summer Fellowship, UCLA Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies	2006
Shalem Center, Jerusalem, Postdoctoral Fellowship	2005-2006
Lemmermann Foundation Grant (for research in Rome)	2004
Vatican Film Library Mellon Fellowship	2004
Renaissance Society of America Research Grant	2004
Jacob K. Javits Fellowship	1997-2002
Harvard University Department of History Research Grant	2001
Interuniversity Fellowship in Jewish Studies	1999-2001
Harvard Graduate Society Fellowship for Dissertation Research	2000
Harvard-Hebrew University Graduate Fellowship	1999-2000
John Hawthorne Prize in Classics, University of Chicago	1997
Phi Beta Kappa	1997

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Greifswald, Theologische Fakultät (2010-13)

Einführung in die rabbinische Literatur (Lecture Course, in German in Greifswald; in English at the School of Mission and Theology, Stavanger, Norway)

Jüdisch-Christliche Beziehungen (Seminar Course, in German)

Die jüdische Bibelauslegung (Lecture Course, in German, also at the University of Rostock)

Moses Maimonides' Führer der Unschlüssigen (Seminar Course, in German)

Einführung in die jüdische Geschichte und Literatur I, II (Lecture Course)

Messiastraditionen im Judentum (Seminar Course)

Mosetraditionen im Judentum, Christentum, und Islam (Seminar Course)

Einführung in das Judentum (Lecture Course, in German)

Die Pessach-Haggadah (Seminar Course, in German)

University of Oregon, Program in Judaic Studies (2009-2010)

Medieval and Early Modern Judaism (undergraduate)

The Jewish Encounter with Modernity (undergraduate)

Women in Judaism (undergraduate)

Jewish Messianisms (undergraduate and graduate)

Spiritual Autobiographies (undergraduate and graduate)

Yale University, Directed Studies (Fall, 2007; Fall, 2008)

History and Politics

- One of three selective, interdisciplinary courses in Western Civilization for freshmen.
- Delivered program-wide lectures on Thucydides' *History of the Peloponnesian War* and Plato's *Republic*.
- Assisted in the selection of program's students.

Yale University, Program in Judaic Studies (2007-09)

Jews and Judaism in Early Modern Europe (undergraduate and graduate)

Jewish Messianisms in Historical Context and Theory (undergraduate)

Moses Through the Centuries (undergraduate and graduate)

Hebrew College (Newton Centre, MA), Me'ah Adult Jewish Education Program (Fall, 2003)

Medieval Jewish Civilization and Culture

Harvard University, History and Literature Concentration "Tutor," (2003-04)

- Taught one-on-one junior tutorial on Medieval and Renaissance Italian literature.
- Advised two senior theses and one junior paper in Medieval and Renaissance fields.
- Prepared students for and administered oral exams.
- Reviewed and graded theses, and sophomore and junior essays.

Harvard University, Department of History "Tutor," (2002-03)

Junior Tutorial: Harvard History (with Professor James Hankins)

- Introduced students to advanced historical research.
- Guided and graded oral presentations and research papers.
- Evaluated senior theses.

Sophomore Tutorial: Historical Analysis (with Professor Laurel Thatcher Ulrich)

- Introduced students to different modes of historical writing
- Guided student reading of source packets and preparation of papers in a variety of historical genres (e.g. narrative, intellectual history, microhistory, biography).

Harvard University, Core Curriculum "Teaching Fellow" (2002-03)

The Bible and its Interpreters (Prof. James Kugel)

Reason and Faith in the West (Prof. Ann Blair)

Harvard University, Core Curriculum, “Head Teaching Fellow,” (Fall, 2001)

The Birth of Western Civilization (Prof. James Hankins)

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE

Ten Lost Tribes: A Cross-Cultural Approach (2015-2017)

Co-Investigator (CI) in research group awarded 180,000€ grant from the German-Israeli Foundation (GIF). This grant will support various research projects and conferences on the legend of the ten lost tribes over a three-year period.

Sambatyon: The Mythical Boundary in Time and Space, August 4-6, 2013

Organizer, in collaboration with Dr. Moti Benmelech, of international academic conference on the historical development and significance of the legend of the Sabbatical river. Funded by the Käte Hamburger Kolleg (Bochum, Germany), the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the Ben-Zvi Institute (Jerusalem), Tel Aviv University, and the University of Haifa. Volume of conference proceedings in preparation (to be supported by the GIF project, "Ten Lost Tribes: A Cross-Cultural Approach").
Hebrew University and Ben-Zvi Institute; Jerusalem, Israel

“Die Kopfsteine sind weg” (“The cobblestones are gone”), *Blitz am Sonntag*, December 23, 2012

Authored response to repaving of Greifswald street, including personal reflections concerning Greifswald.

“Despair and inspiration on Kristallnacht anniversary,” *Haaretz*, November 15, 2012

Authored response to desecration of Stolpersteine and concert commemorating banned and forgotten composers in Greifswald, Germany.

Hebrew between Jews and Christians / Hebräisch zwischen Juden und Christen, July 2-4, 2012

Initiator and organizer of international academic conference supported by the Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany

“Christoph Wallich und Ich (und Ich und Ich)”

Authored Denkanstoß (“Food for Thought”) with above title for Winter Semester 2012-13 Course Catalog
Theology Faculty, University of Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany

Faculty Representative, Foreign Study Committee (AG Internationales), 2011-

Theology Faculty, University of Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany

Curator, Gustaf Dalman Institute, 2012-

Theology Faculty, University of Greifswald; Greifswald, Germany

Prepared grant application on behalf of institute and was awarded (Jan. 2013) a £62,400 two-year grant from the Rothschild Foundation (Hanadiv) Europe to enable the hiring of a curator to catalogue and digitalize major portions of the institute's collection of Holy Land images and specimens.

“A Visit to the Jewish Community of Berlin,” Jan. 13-15, 2012

Organized visit to Berlin Synagogues, Jewish Museums, and the Weissensee Cemetary for my Greifswald lecture course, “Einführung in das Judentum.”

“From Access to Integration: Digital Technologies and the Study of Jewish History,” Nov. 9-10, 2011

Invited participant at conference organized by the Center for Jewish History, New York, NY.

“Lesung und Gespräch mit Israels Bestsellerautor Eshkol Nevo,” Sep. 5, 2011 (Frankfurt, Germany)

Invited to interview and moderate discussion with the author as part of the Jüdische Kulturwochen Frankfurt

“Jewish Life in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern since 1945: New Beginnings and Change,” May 16, 2011

Invited panelist at forum held at the Pommersches Landesmuseum, Greifswald

Manuscript and Fellowship Evaluation (Ongoing)

Have been asked to evaluate article submissions (*Renaissance Quarterly*, *European Journal of Jewish Studies*, *Hebraic Political Studies*), book chapters (*Arizona State University Press*), book introductions (*Villa I Tatti Renaissance Library of Harvard University Press*) and fellowship applications (*Israel Science Foundation*).

The Yale Interdisciplinary Workshop on Medieval and Early Modern Jewish Studies (2008-2009)

Founder and coordinator of workshop featuring the work of visiting faculty and graduate students.

“The Road from Annapolis: Perspectives on Middle Eastern Peacemaking,” December 11, 2007.

Organizer and Moderator of Discussion Forum held at Slifka Center for Jewish Life at Yale.

“The Harvest Festival in Heshvan,” *Mekor Rishon*, December 9, 2005.

Author, with Nizan-Deborah Stein Kokin, of article in Hebrew on the Ethiopian Jewish holiday of Sigd.

Non-Resident Tutor, Harvard University

Lowell House, tutor in History (2004-05)

Pforzheimer House, tutor in History and Literature; co-organizer of Hebrew Table (2003-04)

Academic and non-academic advising, helped organize special events.

Co-Organizer, “Alphabetic: Interpreting Letters,” Harvard Humanities Center (April, 2003)

(Conference on the literary, mystical, political, and historical aspects of letters and alphabets)

Prepared winning proposal for annual interdisciplinary graduate student conference, involved in all logistical aspects of conference planning (e.g. reviewed submissions, invited keynote speakers, arranged musical concert, rented facilities and equipment).

Co-Curator, “Alphabetic,” Conference Exhibit at Harvard’s Houghton Library (March-April, 2003)

Selected exhibition items, determined layout, and wrote explanatory labels.

Co-Coordinator and Presenter, Harvard History Department Early Modern Workshop (2002-2003)

Helped plan and publicize series of faculty, student, and guest lectures; presented dissertation work in progress.

Co-Editor, “Sources: The Chicago Undergraduate Journal of Jewish Studies” (Spring, 1997)

Edited articles and helped prepare overall layout for publication.

Intern, Journal of Classical Philology, Department of Classics, University of Chicago (1996-1997)

Edited articles and prepared “Books Received” list.

SUPPLEMENTARY EDUCATION

“Humanistic Script in Italy” (May 5-9, 2008)

Participant in Master Class of Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University, led by Professor Stefano Zamponi of the University of Florence

Participant, “Political Hebraism: Judaic Sources in Early Modern Political Thought” (August, 2004)

Invited to attend conference in Jerusalem, Israel by sponsor, Shalem Center.

Participant and Presenter, American Academy of Jewish Research Graduate Student Seminars
San Diego, CA (June, 2004); Philadelphia, PA (June, 2002)

Shalom Hartman Institute, Jerusalem (2000-2001)

Traditional Jewish text study, annual theme focused on “argument” in Jewish tradition.

“Hevruta,” Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2000-2001)

Traditional Talmud study

“Ulpan” (Hebrew Language Course) at Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Summer, 1999)

Participant, Jewish Messianism in Comparative Perspective (June, 1999)

Summer School, Institute for Advanced Study, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

“Aestiva Latinitas” (Latin Summer School), Rome (Summer, 1998)

Funded by Westengard Fund for Summer Language Study, Harvard University.

“Società Dante Alighieri” (Course in Beginning Italian), Rome (Summer, 1998)

“Cours de Civilisation Française,” Sorbonne (Course in Advanced French), Paris (Summer, 1997)

Funded by Square D Foundation Grant for Summer Language Study, University of Chicago.

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