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Education:

B.A., Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, (1982), magna cum laude,
Phi Beta Kappa.

M.A., Brown University, (1982).

Thesis Title: "Saint Augustine's Suppression of the Donatists:
The Struggle for North African Christianity".

Ph. D., The Ohio State University, (1990).

Dissertation Title: "Jewish Reactions to Intermarriage
in Nineteenth Century Germany".

Doctoral Examination Fields:

Major: Modern Jewish History, Minors: Medieval and Ancient Jewish History

Additional Training:

Institute for Advanced Studies, Jerusalem, Israel (1989-1990)

Rabbinical Texts at Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, NY (1985-1986)

Rabbinic Texts at Academy for Jewish Religion, Riverdale, NY (2006-2007)

Books:

Joseph: Portraits Through the Ages (Jewish Publication Society/University of Nebraska Press, 2016)

Darkhei Noam. The Jews of Arab Lands: A Festschrift for Norman (Noam) Stillman.

Co-editor with Carsten Schapkow and Shmuel Shepkaru (Brill, 2015)

Editor, ***The Wiley-Blackwell History of Jews and Judaism*** (Wiley-Blackwell, 2012)

The Making of the Modern Jewish Bible: How Scholars in Germany, Israel and America Transformed an Ancient Text (Rowman and Littlefield, 2011, pbk. 2016)

An Introduction to Modern Jewish Thinkers (Jason Aronson, 2000; pbk. 2002;
Second Revised Edition, Rowman and Littlefield, 2006)

Between Philosemitism and Antisemitism: Defenses of Jews and Judaism in Modern Germany
(University of Nebraska Press, 2004; pbk. 2013, with new Afterword)

The Story of Joseph: A Journey of Jewish Interpretation (College of William and Mary, 2004)

Articles and Book Chapters (Peer-Reviewed & In-Print only) Through 2013:

“The Triple Immersion: A Singular Moment in Jewish Intellectual History?”

German-Jewish Transnationalism, eds. Jay Geller & Leslie Morris,

(University of Michigan Press, 2016): 54-84.

“How Do I Hate Thee? Joseph’s Brothers” (The.Torah / Project TABS)

On-line publication (4 Dec. 2015)

“Mendelssohn” *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Political Thought* (2015): 45-50.

Guest Editor, SHOFAR 32:4 Summer 2014) Special Issue: *New Approaches To Teaching Jewish Studies*. Solicited submissions, peer-reviews, introduced ten essays.

“Anti-Apostasy Rhetoric in Imperial Germany: Three Case Studies” in

Konversion in Raumen jüdischer Geschichte (Weisbaden, 2014): 123-134.

“Orthodox Judaism” in *Worldmark Encyclopedia of Religious Practices* (2014):588-597.

“In Search of Ahad Haam’s Bible” JOURNAL OF ISRAELI HISTORY 32:2

(2013): 241-256.

“Agents of Change: Congregation Brith Emeth (Cleveland)” OHIO HISTORY 120

(2013): 118-138.

“Responding to James Kugel” JEWISH BIBLE QUARTERLY 40:3 (2012): 193-203.

“Syncretism and Surrogacy in Modern Times” SHOFAR 30:1 (Fall, 2011): 1-14.

* Reproduced in “Unorthodox” catalogue in New York Jewish Museum Exhibit, Fall, 2015.

“From Recognition to Consensus: The Nature of Philosemitism in Germany” in

Philosemitism in History, Adam Sutcliffe and Jonathan Karp, eds.,

(Cambridge University Press, 2011): 190-208.

“Nehama Leibowitz: Context & Exegesis” JOURNAL OF JEWISH EDUCATION 77:1

(2011): 42-65.

“Judaism in America” *The Columbia Guide to Religion in American History*,

eds., Paul Harvey and Edward Blum, (Columbia, 2012): 445-461.

“Samson Raphael Hirsch’s Bible Project: A Liberal Appreciation”
 JOURNAL OF REFORM JUDAISM (Fall, 2010): 68-83.

“Positive Responses to Antisemitism: The Case of Modern Jewish Bible Scholarship”
TRANSVERSAL: ZEITSCHRIFT FÜR JÜDISCHE STUDIEN (2010): 29-46

“The Mantle of the Matriarchs: Ruth 4:11-15”
 JEWISH BIBLE QUARTERLY 38:4 (2010): 237-244.

“Will the Real Franz Rosenzweig Please Stand Up?” (With Dr. Jeffrey Schein)
 JOURNAL OF JEWISH EDUCATION 76:2 (2010): 151-163

“The Mismeasure of the Jew” Review essay solicited by *Jewish Quarterly Review*
 (Fall, 2009) 99:4: 594-602.

“From Recognition to Consensus: The Nature of Philosemitism in Germany, 1871-1932,”
 in Irene Diekmann and Elke-Vera Kotowski, eds., *Geliebter Feind/Gehasster Freund* (Verlag
 für Berlin-Brandenburg, 2009), 295-310.

“Writing the Philosemitic Novel: *Daniel Deronda* Revisited”
 PROOFTEXTS 28:2 (2008):129-156.

“New York: The Cosmopolitan Jewish City”
 THE RECONSTRUCTIONIST 72:1 (Fall, 2008): 47-57.

“The Non Expert as Bible Teacher: Some Reflections”
Association of Jewish Studies Perspectives (Fall 2008): 8-10.

“Contemporary Jewish Theology” in Marc Lee Raphael, ed.,
The Columbia History of Jews and Judaism in America
 (NY: Columbia University Press, 2007): 406-432.

“The Rise of Modern Jewish Bible Studies: Preliminary Reflections”
 in *Biblical Interpretation in Judaism and Christianity. Festschrift for Isaac*
Kalimi, Ed. Peter Haas. (New York & London: T & T Clark, 2006): 163-178.

Guest Editor & “Introduction,” *American Jewish History* 90:1 (March 2002)

“Jewish and Jewish-Feminist Tendencies in Modern Bible Scholarship,”
Gendering the Jewish Past. College of William and Mary, (2002), 79-100.

“The Problematics of Philosemitic Fiction”
 THE GERMAN QUARTERLY 75:4 (Fall 2002): 379-393.

- “Text Study Vs. (and/or) the Study of Texts: A Pedagogical Reflection”
THE RECONSTRUCTIONIST 66:2 (Spring 2002): 29-36.
- “Missionary Protestants as Defenders and Detractors of Judaism”
JEWISH QUARTERLY REVIEW 92 (2002): 383-420.
- “The Gentile Reception of Herzlian Zionism, A Reconsideration”
JEWISH HISTORY 16 (2002): 187-211.
- “Herzl’s Gentile Supporters” Proceedings of the Twelfth World Congress
of Jewish Studies, Division E (Jerusalem, 2001): 1-12.
- “The German Peace Movement and the Jews: An Unexplored Nexus”
LEO BAECK INSTITUTE YEARBOOK 46 (2001): 277-301.
- Entries: “Martin Buber,” “Franz Rosenzweig”
Reader’s Guide to Judaism (Chicago: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, 2000).
- “The Posen Factor,” SHOFAR 17:1 (Fall 1998): 72-80.
- “Thomas Mann as Midrashist: Methods and Sources,”
THE GERMAN QUARTERLY 71:2 (Spring 1998): 166-178.
- “The Apostate as Philosemite,” Renate Posthafen, ed.,
Transforming the Center, Eroding the Margins
(Detroit: Wayne State, 1998), 132-145.
- “Introduction” and “Radical Assimilation and Radical Assimilationists”
What Is Modern About the Modern Jewish Experience?
College of William and Mary, 1997.
- “Philosemitic Discourse in Imperial Germany,” JEWISH SOCIAL STUDIES
(Summer 1996): 1-39.
- “Teaching the Jewish Classics: A Pedagogical Postmortem,” SHOFAR 13:4
(Summer 1995): 59-68.
- “The Conversionary Impulse in *fin de siecle* Germany,”
LEO BAECK INSTITUTE YEARBOOK, XL (1995): 107-122.
- “An Adventure in Otherness: Remy Lazarus (1849-1928), in Rudavsky, ed.,
Gender and Judaism (New York: NYU Press 1995), 99-111.
- “Thomas Mann’s *Walsungenblut* & The Intermarriage Debate” in
Dagmar Lorenz, ed., *Insiders and Outsiders* (Detroit: Wayne State, 1994).

"Bertha von Suttner & Theodor Herzl: Criticism, Collaboration and Utopianism"
THE JOURNAL OF ISRAELI HISTORY 15:2 (Summer 1994): 213-222.

"Jewish Responses to Modern Biblical Criticism: Some Reflections and a Course Proposal" SHOFAR, 12:3 (Spring 1994): 100-114.

"Joseph Soloveitchik's *The Halachic Mind*: A Liberal Critique"
CCAR JOURNAL: A REFORM JEWISH QUARTERLY (Winter 1994).

"Reclaiming the Ba'al Teshuva Movement: A Liberal Critique"
CCAR JOURNAL: A REFORM JEWISH QUARTERLY (Winter 1993).

"German Zionism and Radical Assimilation Before 1914"
STUDIES IN ZIONISM, 13:1 (Spring, 1992): 21-41.

"Reform Attitudes to Inter-marriage in the Past"
JUDAISM: A QUARTERLY MAGAZINE, 38:3 (Sum. 1989):310-322.

Academic Presentations, From Current to Older:

"The Jewish Mad Men: Biographical and Autobiographical Reflections" Siegal Lifelong Institute of Case Western Reserve University (Nov 9 2016)

"The Brothers Hatred and Other Challenges of Bible Reading," Just Lunch, OU (7 Sept. 2016)

"Unorthodox: On religion." Dialogue with author Sue Katz Miller (New York Jewish Museum, 2015.

"Joseph' Women" Ludwig Wilhelm Maximillians Universität, München, Germany (12 June 2014)

Session Chair/Commentator "Orthodox Judaism" Association of Jewish Studies (Baltimore, December 15-17 2014

"Making of the Modern Jewish Bible" Lubell Lecture, Tulsa OK (6 March 2014).

"Joseph in Scripture and Tradition" 2014 Neustadt Lectures, OCU, Oklahoma City (20 February 2014).

“Heinrich Heine and Matthew Arnold on Hebraism and Hellenism” AJS 45 (Boston, December 2013).

“The Triple Immersion: A Singular Moment in Jewish Intellectual History? Transnationalism and Minority Cultures, (Norman, OK, 26 Sept 2013).

“In Search of Ahad Haam’s Bible” World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, July 28, 2013.

“Joseph in Text and Tradition,” 4 lectures at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH 22-26 May 2013.

Respondent, AJS 44, Panel on my book The Making of the Modern Jewish Bible (Chicago, December 2012).

New Horizons in Religion Series “Is Anything Jewish About Jewish History? [Celebrating publication of Levenson, ed., *The Wiley – Blackwell History of Jews & Judaism*] (University of Oklahoma, 15 Nov 2012).

“Ahad Haam: Tanakh as Secondary Canon” Shalem Center, Jerusalem, July 9-12 2012.

Book Talks on *The Making of the Modern Jewish Bible* in Columbus, OH; Sioux City, IA; Cleveland, OH, & Oklahoma City, OK , 2011-2012.

New Horizons in Religion Series [celebrating publication of *The Making of the Modern Jewish Bible*] (University of Oklahoma, 15 Nov 2011).

“Right-Wing German-Jewish Exiles” German Studies Association San Francisco, October 7-9, 2010.

Scholar-Residence Congregation Beth Shalom, Sioux City, Nov. 5-6, 2010.

“Nehama Leibowitz: Context & Exegesis” Association of Jewish Studies, Boston, Dec 2010

“The Making of Modern Jewish Bible” Scholar-in-Residence Sessions, Moreh L’Morim, Cleveland, Ohio, August 8th-11th 2010.

“American Jewish Exceptionalism” Biennial Scholars’ Conference on American Jewish History NYC, June 15-17, 2010.

“Samson Raphael Hirsch As Bible Commentator,” Association of Jewish Studies 41, Los Angeles, December 2009.

Panel Commentator, Modern Jewish Thought Association of Jewish Studies 41, Los Angeles, December 2009.

Panel Organizer & Commentator, “Jewish Responses to Modern Biblical Criticism,” Association of Jewish Studies, 21 December 2008.

- “Will the Real Franz Rosenzweig Please Stand Up?” Network for Jewish Education. NYC, June, 2009.
- “Conversion to Christianity in Berlin and Vienna” German Studies Association, Minneapolis, MN 10 October 2008.
- “From Social to Cultural History: The Jews of Posen” Monika Richarz Symposium, Chicago, 25 Sept 2007.
- “Philosemitismus und Antisemitismus,” Internationale Konferenz: Philosemitismus in Geschichte und Gegenwart, Potsdam, Germany, 10-13 June 2007.
- “The Jewish School of Modern Bible Scholarship,” CWRU, Cleveland, OH, May 2004.
- “The Jewish School of Modern Bible Scholarship,” Oberlin College, OH, 2 March 2004.
- “Between Philosemitism and Antisemitism,” Judaic Studies Series College of William and Mary Colloquium, 28 April 2002.
- “*Judenbilder* in German Popular Fiction,” Association of Jewish Studies, Boston, 18 December 2000.
- “Mann as Midrashist: Methods and Sources in *Joseph and His Brothers*,” College of William and Mary Colloquium, 3 May 1998.
- “Christian Author, Jewish Book? Thomas Mann’s *Joseph and His Brothers*,” Case Western Reserve University, Rosenthal Lectures, Cleveland, 20 January 1998.
- “German Liberals and German Jews,” German Studies Association, Washington DC, October 1997.
- “Herzl’s Gentile Supporters,” 12th World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, August 1997.
- “The Apostate as Philosemite: A Modern Phenomenon,” Midwest Association of Jewish Studies, Chicago, 21 October 1996.
- “Intermarriage in the Liberal German-Jewish Press, 1875-1917,” Association of Jewish Studies, Boston, 20 December 1995.
- “Teaching Bible Interpretation as Jewish Thought,” Midwest Association of Jewish Studies, St. Paul, October 1995.
- “Philosemitic Misreadings of Zionism,” Midwest Association of Jewish Studies, Nashville, TN, 17 October 1994.

"Response to David Sorkin's *The Transformation of German Jewry*,"

The Melton Center Midwest Faculty Colloquium, Columbus, OH, 26 April 1994.

"Philosemitism in Imperial and Weimar Germany," Association of Jewish Studies, Boston,
13 December 1994.

"An Adventure in Otherness: Nahida Remy Lazarus (1849-1928)"

Conference on Gender and Judaism, Columbus, OH, 26 April 1993.

"Defection and Response" American Historical Association (AHA), Washington, DC,
30 December 1992.

"Text & Context: Thomas Mann's *Walsungenblut*" Conference on Cultural and Linguistic
Diversity: Views of The Other in German Languages and Cultures, Ohio State
University, Columbus, OH, 15 March 1991.

"Protestant Missionary Defense of Judaism in Imperial Germany," Faculty Colloquium,
Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 15 March 1991.

"Gender as a Category in Modern Jewish Bible Study,"

Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 15 March 1991.

"The Posen Factor" Conference on Jewish Geography, Ohio State University,
Columbus, OH, 22 October 1990.

"The Exception Jew: A German Phenomenon" Ohio Academy of History,
Dennison University, Granville, OH, 22 April 1989.

"Jewish Reactions to Intermarriage in Nineteenth Century Germany: A Progress Report"
Association of Jewish Studies, Boston, MA, 27 December 1989.

"Jewish Responses to German Antisemitism in the 1880s: A Reassessment" Interuniversity
Fellowship Program in Jewish Studies// Seminar in German Historiography,
Jerusalem, February - March, 1989.

"It Won't Play in Cincinnati: Isaac Mayer Wise's Response to German Reform Judaism"

Ohio Academy of History, Wittenberg University, Springfield, OH, 10 April 1987.

"Images of Jewish Women in the Eleventh Century" delivered at the Ohio Academy of History,
Capitol University, Columbus, OH, 19 April 1986.

Book Review Venues:

My academic book reviews have appeared in *Interpretation*, *The German Quarterly*, *The Association of Jewish Studies Review*, *Shofar: Journal of the Midwest Jewish Studies Association*; *Journal of American History*; *American Jewish History*; *Jewish Quarterly Review*,

Journal of Reform Judaism, Journal of the American Oriental Society, German Studies Review, Central European History, The Reconstructionist, and Judaism: A Quarterly Journal.

* I have also reviewed book manuscripts and journal articles on a regular basis for Cambridge University Press, Fordham University Press, Purdue University Press, as well as the periodicals listed above.

Teaching Experience:

Sample of Recent Course Offerings (2008-Present):

- **The Use and Abuse of the Bible Since the Enlightenment (Graduate & Capstone)**
- **Judaism: A Religious History**
- **Genesis in Jewish Eyes**
- **The Hebrew Bible/Old Testament**
- **American Jew/Jewish American: An Ethnic Case Study**
- **Triumph & Tragedy: The Saga of German Jewry**

Complete List of Courses Taught, 1985-Present:

Instructorships at **The Ohio State University**, 1985-1990 (as doctoral student):

Autumn 1985 - Summer 1986. Lecturer, "The Culture of Contemporary Israel,"
Department of Judaic and Near Eastern Literature and Languages.

Spring 1987 - Spring 1988. Lecturer, "Western Civilization to 1600,"
Department of History.

Autumn, 1988. Lecturer, "Western Civilization from the Reformation to the
Present," Department of History.

Winter, 1989, Lecturer, "Introduction to Jewish History,"
Department of History.

Visiting Instructor, Department of Religion, **Wittenberg University**,
(Spring, 1987) "The Creation and Loss of Normative Judaism"

Visiting Assistant Professor of Judaic Studies, Department of Religion,
The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA. 1990-91:

Rel.301 "History and Religion of Ancient Israel" (Aut-Spr)

Rel.303 "Introduction to the History of Jewish Thought"

Rel.339 "Midrash: A World of Jewish Biblical Interpretation"

Rel.332 "Encounters Between Judaism and Modernity"

Rel.352 "The Holocaust"

Visiting Assistant Professor of Judaic Studies, Department of Religion,

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH. Spring 1996:
 Rel. 201 "Introduction to Judaism" (CWRU)
 Rel. 203 "Modern Jewish Thought" (CWRU)

Adjunct Professor, Department of Religion,
John Carroll University, Cleveland, OH:
 Rel. 252 "Introduction to Judaism" (Autumn, 2006)
 Rel. 200 "Introduction to the Hebrew Bible" (Autumn, 2007)

Professor of Jewish History, **Siegal College of Jewish Studies**,
 Beachwood, OH, 1991- 2008:

1991-1992

His. 212 "Jewry in the Modern World: A Biographical Approach"
 Tho. 361 "Confronting Change: Authority in Early Modern
 Jewish Thought" (Aut-Spr)
 Bib. 327 "Midrash: Jewish Biblical Interpretation"
 His. 353 "Zionist Theory Before 1948"

1992-1993

Bib. 327 "The Jewish Response to Modern Biblical Criticism"
 His. 340 "Jewish History and Jewish Historians"
 Tho. 567 "Buber-Rosenzweig-Scholem"
 His. 277 "A Survey of Jewish History" (Aut-Spr)
 His. 354 "Development of the American Jewish Community"

1993-1994

Bib. 397 "Jeremiah: His Life, His Times, His Book"
 His. 287 "The Foundations of Modern Israel" (Aut-Spr)
 His. 387 "Diverging Roads: The Encounter Between Rabbinic Judaism
 and Early Christianity" (Aut-Spr), with Reverend Richard Thewlis
 Bib. 327 "Midrash: Jewish Biblical Interpretation" (Aut-Spr)

1994-1995

His. 377 "Modern Jewish History: A Biographical Approach"
 Tho. 551 "The Challenge of the Holocaust to Jewish Thought"
 His. 340 "The Saga of German Jewry"
 His. 341 "Eastern European Jewry from the Rise of Hasidism
 to the Holocaust"

1996-1997

- Bib. 333 "The Desert Narratives of Numbers/Bamidbar"
- His. 382 "Modern Jewish Thinkers, Modern Jewish Thought"
- His. 340 "The Saga of German Jewry"
- His. 342 "Under the Crescent, Under the Cross:
Jewish Life and Letters in Medieval Times"

1997-1998

- Bib. 352 "Deuteronomy/Devarim"
- His. 204 "Jewish Historiography"
- His. 325 "A Tale of Three Cities: Berlin, Paris and London"
- Tho.351 "Jewish and Christian Readings of the Bible"

1998-1999

- Bib. 315 "Exodus/Shmot"
- His. 350 "Eastern European Jewry from the Rise of Hasidism
to the Holocaust"
- His. 376 "Connecting With A Changing Israel"
- His. 502 "Foundations of Jewish History I, II
(Mandatory Year-Long Survey of Jewish History for MJS candidates)

1999-2000

- Sabbatical at Tel Aviv University**
- Fellow, American Council of Learned Societies
- Fellow, Sassoon Center for the Study of Antisemitism

2000-2001

- "Jacob and His Wives" Genesis 24-35
- "Friends and Foes: Samson Raphael Hirsch and Abraham Geiger"

2001-2002

- His. 326 "Jews, Pagans and Christians in the Roman Empire" (Aut-Spr)
- His./Tho. 344 "Alive and Well: Contemporary Jewish Thinkers" (Aut-Spr)
- Bib. 330 "The Kingdom of David: An Examination of Samuel" (Aut-Spr)
- Meah, Biblical-Rabbinic (Taught at The Temple-Tiferet Israel)

2002-2003

- Bib./Rab. 311 "Women in the Midrash" (Aut-Spr)
- His. 352 "The German-Jewish Experience"
- His./Tho. 342 "Modern Jewish Thinkers"
- Meah, Medieval-Modern (Taught at The Temple-Tiferet Israel)

2003-2004

- Bib. 375 "The Prophets" (Aut-Spr)
- Tho. 567 "Buber-Rosenzweig-Scholem"
- His. 321 "The World of Hellenistic Jewry" (Aut)

His. 382 "Between Cross and Crescent" (Spr)
 His 357 "The Wonders of America" (Spr)
 Meah, Biblical-Rabbinic (at The Temple-Tiferet Israel)

2005-2006

Sabbatical at Academy of Jewish Religion, Riverdale, NY
 & Center for Jewish History, New York, NY
 Fellow, Memorial Foundation of Jewish Culture

2006-2007

Bib 303. "In the Beginning: Genesis 1-11"
 Rel. 484 "From Cradle to Grave: The Jewish Lifecycle"
 His. 502 "Foundations of Jewish History" I, II

2007-2008

His./Tho. 342 "Modern Jewish Thinkers"
 His. 350 "Eastern European Jewry from the Rise of Hasidism
 to the Holocaust"
 Bib. 303 "Jacob and His Wives: Genesis 24-35"
 His 357 "The Wonders of America" (Spr)

**Schusterman/Josey Professor of Jewish Intellectual and Religious History,
 University of Oklahoma, Norman OK, OH, 2008 - Present:**

Hist. 4603 "Genesis Through Jewish Eyes" (Aut. 2009/Spr. 2010/Spr. 2012/ Spr. 2014)
 Hist. 3973 "Judaism: A Religious History" (Spr. 2009/Aut. 2010/Aut.2012)
 Hist. 3430 "American Jews/Jewish Americans" (Spr. 2009/ Spr. 2011/Aut. 2012)
 Hist. 4613 "The Hebrew Bible/Old Testament" (Spr. 2014)
 Hist. 4950 "The Use and Abuse of the Bible" (Capstone, Autumn, 2010/ Spring 2013)

Lubell Distinguished Professor, University of Tulsa (Spring 2014)
 "Judaism: A Religious History"
 "The Bible Since the Enlightenment"

- I have also taught in the prestigious Wexner Fellows Program in Los Angeles, Atlanta and Columbus OH, respectively, from 2009-2011.

Honors, Awards and Grants:

Advisory Council, Israel Academic Network – 2015- Present

Religion Compass “Judaism” Section Editor 2014-Present

Spertus Institute of Advanced Jewish Studies July 10-14, 2016.

Lubell Distinguished Professor at the University of Tulsa, Spring 2014.

Bronfman Distinguished Visiting Professor, College of William & Mary, October 2011.

Wexner Fellows Faculty Member:

Los Angeles, Spring, 2010; Atlanta, Spring 2011; Columbus OH, Spring 2012.

Bronfman Distinguished Visiting Professor, College of William & Mary, Autumn 2009.

Named in “Ohio’s 100 Top College and University Teachers,” *Ohio Magazine* (2007)

Award Winner, Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Fellowship, 2005-2006

Nominee, National Jewish Book Award for *Between Philosemitism and Antisemitism* (2004)

Senior Fellow, American Council of Learned Societies, Israel, 1999-2000.

Fellow, Vidal Sassoon Center for the Study of Antisemitism, Jerusalem, Israel, 1999-2000.

Award Winner, Lucius Littauer Foundation Publication Award, 1997,

Award Winner, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Research Grant, Cologne, Germany, 1994. Pilot Project Book Grant, “German Philosemitism before Hitler”

Fellow, NEH Summer Seminar, "The History of Zionism," Columbia University, New York, June - July, 1993.

Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies, Jerusalem, 1992.

Fellow, Institute for German History, Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, 1991.

Fellow, Interuniversity Program in Jewish Studies, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 1988-1989.

Fellow, The Ohio Council on Holocaust Education, 1986 - 1988.

Graduate Representative, Melton Center for Jewish Studies, Ohio State University, 1985-1988.

First Prize, Ohio State University Graduate Research Forum, Humanities Division, April 1987.

First Prizes, Roth Memorial Essay Contests, Ohio State University, 1985-1987.

Hayon Award for Excellence in the Humanities, Ohio State University, 1986.

Ruth Higgins Award, Ohio State University, History Department, Summer, 1988.

Administrative Experience:

2012- Present. University of Oklahoma, History Department Committee A; History. Executive advisory to Dean, involving job searches/offers, tenure & promotion issues, faculty assessment distributions, evaluation and tutelage of junior faculty.

2011-2012. University of Oklahoma, Religious Studies Committee A. Executive advisory to Program Chair, involving job searches/offers, tenure & promotion issues, evaluation and tutelage of junior faculty, annual evaluation of Chair and triennial reappointment of Chair.

Spring 2010. University of Oklahoma, Interim Director, Program in Jewish and Israel Studies. Organized film series, Judaic Studies lunches, collaborated with grant giving agencies, provided oversight for grants to students travelling to Israel summer programs. Continuing editorship/authorship of JUST Newsletter.

2010 Member, History Department Task Force on increasing majors. Researched prior offerings, enrollments, course titles; recommended improved use of 2000-level courses.

2007- 2008 Siegal College of Judaic Studies, Beachwood, OH.

Faculty Representative/ Executive Committee Member, Presidential Search

Evaluated candidates for President's position, coordinated board/faculty/Jewish community activity and information-flow.

2001-2003 Academic Advisor, Cleveland *Meah*, a national adult education initiative of Boston Hebrew University. Guided faculty discussions, curricular review, advised junior faculty, collaborated with area rabbis and promoted *Meah* in Cleveland area congregations.

1990-2008 Organized many Siegal College speakers and conferences, including raising funds, organizing, and chairing a sponsored lecture series on contemporary antisemitism, 2005-2008.

1993-1995 Program Director, Combined Master's Program in Social Work and Jewish Studies, with Case Western Reserve University, School of Social Work. Directed class programming, advised students, coordinated with CWRU's social work school and taught in the program.

Professional Organizations:

World Union of Jewish Studies, Association of Jewish Studies, Leo Baeck Institute, American Historical Association,

“Judaism” Section Editor, Compass. On-line Religious Studies Journal.

Board Member, Academic Engagement Network (2015 - Present)

Board Member, Academy of Jewish Religion (2015 - Present)

Faculty Member, President's Curriculum Committee: University of Oklahoma, 2010-Present

Faculty Advisor Oklahoma Hillel, 2008-2012; Board Member 2014-Present.

NE Ohio Hillel Board of Governors, 1995-1998.

Advisor, Cleveland Jewish Community Federation, History and Archives Committee, 1995-2000.

Academic Advisory Board, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, 2002-2004.

Agnon School Board of Governors, 2002-2005.

Advisory Board, Rosenthal Center for Jewish Studies (CWRU) 2005- 2008.

Blackwell-Compass Editorial Board, 2004- Present. Blackwell-Compass is a leading on-line academic journal.

Samples of Community Service:

** It would require too much space to list the individual lectures and informal talks to colleges, synagogues, churches, library associations, public schools, Jewish federation groups and agencies, etc., that I have regularly addressed in my eighteen years in Cleveland, or in my four years at the University of Oklahoma. A description of my service to the regional Jewish communities and to the University of Oklahoma since 2008 is available upon request.*

Recent (2012):

Response to Dr. Sister Mary Boys (University of Oklahoma, 7 March 2012)

Keynote Speaker for Jewish University event, Columbus OH (29 April 2012)

New Horizons in Religious Studies (University of Oklahoma, 15 November 2012)

Response to Walter Brueggemann Oklahoma Institute for Biblical Literacy (20 April 2013)

References:

Professor Marc Lee Raphael, Department of Religion,
College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia.
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Case Western Reserve University
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Asc. Professor Carsten Schapkow, Department of History
University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma
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Rabbi Dr. Roger C. Klein, The Temple/Tifereth Israel
Beachwood, Ohio 44122
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Professor Dagmar Lorenz, Department of German,
University of Illinois, Chicago.
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