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EDUCATION:

1983 Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley (History)
1977 M.A. University of California, Berkeley (Comparative Literature)
1975 B.A. University of Wisconsin, Madison (Phi Beta Kappa)

DEGREES: M.A., Oxford University, 1990 (Special Election); M.A., Yale, 2015
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EMPLOYMENT:

2014- Lucy G. Moses Professor of Modern Jewish History, Yale University
2011-14 Distinguished Professor of History, City University of New York-
Graduate Center
1992-2011 Frances and Laurence Weinstein Professor of Jewish Studies and
Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison
1986-92 From Junior Research Fellow to Lecturer in Modern History and
Fellow, Centre for Postgraduate Hebrew Studies and St. Antony's
College, Oxford University
1983-86 Assistant Professor of Judaic Studies, Brown University

VISITING APPOINTMENTS:

2009, 2018 Visiting Professor, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa
1990, 2008 Directeur d'études, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales

FELLOWSHIPS:

2015-17 Whitney Humanities Center, Yale University
2010 Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study (Uppsala)
2008 Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania
2005-6 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship
2003 All Souls College, Oxford University; Visiting Fellow
1998-03 Institute for Research in the Humanities, UW-Madison, Senior Fellow
1998 Max Planck Institut für Geschichte, Göttingen; Summer Fellow
1994-5 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University
Teachers

- 1991 British Academy Research Travel Grant
- 1984 Brown University Faculty Development Fund

Graduate Fellowships:

- 1979-83 Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, Doctoral Fellowship
- 1980-81 DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) (declined)
- 1979-81 National Foundation for Jewish Culture, Doctoral Fellowship
- 1978 Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship (Hebrew)
- 1976-77 University of California, Berkeley Graduate Division, Grant-in Aid
- 1976-77 Phi Beta Kappa Graduate Fellowship (Alpha of California)
- 1975-6/77-8 University of California Graduate Fellowship

PRIZES:

- 2019 Moses Mendelssohn Award, Leo Baeck Institute, New York
- 2010 Dorothy and Hsin-Nung Yao Teaching Award (History, UW-Madison)
- 2003 National Jewish Book Award for Scholarship
(Oxford Handbook of Jewish Studies)
- 2000 "Editor's Choice," Reviews in Religion and Theology
(The Berlin Haskalah and German Religious Thought)
- 1988 Present Tense/Joel H. Cavior Literary Award for History
(The Transformation of German Jewry)

Graduate Prizes:

- 1980 History Department Seminar Paper Prize (UC-Berkeley)
- 1979 Goor Graduate Essay Prize, Jewish Studies (UC-Berkeley)

SOCIETIES:

- 2004 American Academy for Jewish Research

WORK IN PROGRESS:

The Invention of Modern Jewish Politics: The Campaign for
Citizenship in Europe and the United States

PUBLICATIONS: Jewish Emancipation: A History Across Five Centuries
(Princeton University Press, 2019; pbk. 2021); [Chinese: Horizon
Press, forthcoming; Romanian: Editura Hasefer, 2024] [Podcast:
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The Religious Enlightenment: Protestants, Jews and Catholics from London to Vienna (Princeton University Press, 2008; pbk. 2010)

The Berlin Haskalah and German Religious Thought (London: Vallentine Mitchell, 2000). Hardcover & paperback. [Sherman Lectures, Dept. of Religions and Theology, Manchester University, 1997]. ["Editor's Choice," Reviews in Religion and Theology vol. 7 issue 3 (June, 2000)]

Moses Mendelssohn and the Religious Enlightenment (University of California Press, 1996; UK: Peter Halban Publishers, 1996; pbk reissue, 2004; French: Albin Michel (Paris, 1996); German: Werner Eichbauer Verlag für Wissenschaftliche Literatur (Vienna, 1999); Italian: Edizioni Culturali Internazionali (Genoa, 2000)

The Transformation of German Jewry, 1780-1840 (Oxford University Press, 1987; pbk 1990; pbk: Wayne State University Press, 1999, 2009) [Present Tense/Joel H. Cavior Literary Award for History, 1988]

Text Translation

Co-edited with Edward Breuer; Edward Breuer translator, Moses Mendelssohn's Hebrew Writings (Yale Judaic Studies, Yale University Press; 2018).

Edited Books

Co-editor (with Frances Malino), From East and West: Jews in a Changing Europe, 1750-1870, (Basil Blackwell, 1990) Hardcover and paperback; pbk reissue: Profiles in Diversity: Jews in a Changing Europe, 1750-1870 (Wayne State University Press, 1998)

Co-editor (with Shmuel Feiner), New Perspectives on the Haskalah.
(London: Littman Library of Jewish Civilization, 2001; pbk. 2004)

Associate Editor for the Modern period (Martin Goodman, General Editor; Jeremy Cohen, Associate Editor for the Medieval Period)
Oxford Handbook of Jewish Studies (Oxford University Press, UK, 2002; pbk 2005) [National Jewish Book Award, 2003]

Co-editor (with Stanley Payne and John Tortorice), "What History Tells": George L. Mosse and the Culture of Modern Europe
Hardcover & paperback (University of Wisconsin Press, 2004)

Editor, A Commitment to Scholarship: The Centenary of the American Academy for Jewish Research, 1920-2020 (New York: American Academy for Jewish Research, 2021)

General Editor

"Sources in Modern Jewish History," University of Wisconsin Press. Derek Penslar & Eran Kaplan, The Origins of Israel, 1882-1948 (2011);

"Jewish Communities of the Modern World," University of California Press. Paula Hyman, The Jews of France (1998); Esther Benbassa & Aron Rodrigue, Sephardi Jewry: A History of the Judeo-Spanish Community, 14th-20th Centuries (2000), (pbk); Todd Endelman, The Jews of Britain (2002); Hasia Diner, The Jews of the United States (2004);

"Jewish Society and Culture," Blackwell Publishers (Oxford, UK and Cambridge, MA 1990-1996). Frances Malino, A Jew in the French Revolution: The Life of Zalkind Hourwitz, 1996; Esther Benbassa & Aron Rodrigue, The Jews of the Balkans: The Judeo-Spanish Community, 15th to 20th Centuries, 1995; Tony Kushner, The Holocaust and the Liberal Imagination: A Social and Cultural History, 1994; Simon Schwarzfuchs, A Concise History of the Rabbinate, 1993; Peter Pulzer, Jews and the German State: The Political History of a Minority, 1848-

1933, 1992; David Bankier, The Germans and the Final Solution: Public Opinion under Nazism, 1992 (pbk. 1996); Artur Eisenbach, The Emancipation of the Jews in Poland, 1780- 1870, 1991; Ben-Cion Pinchuk, Shtetl Jews under Soviet Rule: Eastern Poland on the Eve of the Holocaust, 1990; David Cesarani ed., The Making of Modern Anglo-Jewry, 1990.

Articles in Journals

"Salomon Baron on Emancipation," Association for Jewish Studies Review 38:2 (November 2014) 423-430. Revised and enlarged version: "Emancipation: Salomon Baron's Achievement," in Rebecca Kobrin ed., Salomon Baron: The Past and Future of Jewish Studies in America (New York: Columbia U. Press, 2022) 81-96

"Four Characteristics of the Religious Enlightenment," De Achttiende Eeuw 43 (2011) 1, 28-49

"Is American Jewry 'Exceptional'? Comparing Jewish Emancipation in Europe and America," American Jewish History 96 (September 2010) 175-200.

"Beyond the East-West Divide: Rethinking the Narrative of the Jews' Political Status in Europe, 1600-1750," Jewish History 24 (2010) 247-56

"Geneva's 'Enlightened Orthodoxy': The Middle Way of Jacob Vernet, (1698-1789)," Church History 74:2 (June, 2005) 286-305

"Between Messianism and Survival: Secularization and Sacralization in Modern Judaism," Journal of Modern Jewish Studies vol. 3 no.1 (March 2004) 73-86

"Reclaiming Theology for the Enlightenment: The Case of Sigmund Jacob Baumgarten (1706-1757)," Central European

History vol. 36 no. 4 (2003) 503-530

"William Warburton: The Middle Way of 'Heroic Moderation'," Dutch Review of Church History 82 no. 2 (July 2002) 262-300.

"Port Jews and the Three Regions of Emancipation," Jewish Culture and History 4 (Winter, 2001) 31-46; also in David Cesarani ed., Port Jews: Jewish Communities in Cosmopolitan and Maritime Trading Centres, 1550-1950 (London: Frank Cass, 2002) 31-46 (simultaneous hardcover and paperback)

"The Émigré Synthesis: An Appraisal," Central European History 34 no. 4 (2001) 531-559

"The Mendelssohn Myth and Its Method," New German Critique no. 77 (Winter, 1999) 7-28

"The Port Jew: Notes Towards a Social Type," Journal of Jewish Studies Vol. L no. 1 (Spring, 1999) 87-97

"Reform Catholicism and Religious Enlightenment," Austrian History Yearbook 30 (1999) 187-219

"Emancipation, Haskalah and Reform: The Contribution of Amos Funkenstein," Jewish Social Studies 6 no. 1 (Winter, 1999) 98-110

"Religious Reforms and Secular Trends in German Jewish Life: An Agenda for Research," Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook 40 (1995) 169-184. Italian: "Riforme religiose e tendenze secolari nella vita degli ebrei tedeschi. Un programma di ricerca," Mario Toscano ed., Integrazione e identità. L'esperienza ebraica in Germania e Italia dall'Illuminismo al fascismo (Milan: FrancoAngeli,

1998) 133-151.

"The Case for Comparison: Moses Mendelssohn and the religious Enlightenment," Modern Judaism 14 (1994) 121-38. Abbreviated German version: "Die zwei Gesichter des Moses Mendelssohn," Menora 4 (1993) 275-289.

"Jews, the Enlightenment and the Sources of Toleration: Some Reflections", in Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook 37 (1992), 3-16. Reprinted in The Jews in European History: Seven Lectures (Hebrew Union College Press, 1994) 39-56. Abbreviated German version, "Juden und Aufklärung: Religiöse Quellen der Toleranz," in Wolfgang Beck ed. Die Juden in der europäischen Geschichte (Beck, 1992), 50-66.

"From Context to Comparison: The German Haskalah and Reform Catholicism," Jahrbuch des Instituts für deutsche Geschichte 20 (1991), 23-58.

"Emancipation and Assimilation: Two Concepts and their Application to the Study of German Jewish History," Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook 35 (1990), 17-33.

"The Genesis of the Ideology of Emancipation, 1806-1840," Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook 32 (1987), 11-40.

"Wilhelm von Humboldt: The Theory and Practice of Self-Formation (Bildung), 1791-1810," Journal of the History of Ideas 43 (1983), 55-73.

Articles in Edited Volumes

"Emancipation," in Shari Rabin & Michael Cohen eds., Oxford

Handbook of American Jewish History (New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming) 8000 words

“Jewish Emancipation in Europe” in Andreina Contessa, Simonetta Della Seta, Carlotta Ferrara degli Uberti, Sharon Reichel eds., Beyond the Ghetto: Inside and Out [Exhibition Catalog, National Museum of Italian Judaism and the Shoah, MEIS, SilvanaEditoriale, 2020] (144-149).

“Jewish Emancipation: Germany Compared” in Till van Rahden & Michael Stolleis eds., Emanzipation und Recht: Zur Geschichte der Rechtswissenschaft und der jüdischen Gleichberechtigung (Frankfurt am Main: Vittorio Klostermann, 2021) 17-31.

“Religious Minorities and Citizenship in the Long Nineteenth-Century: Some Contexts of Jewish Emancipation,” in Politics of Religious Freedom, Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Saba Mahmood & Peter G. Danchin eds., (University of Chicago Press, 2015) 115-126.

“Merchant Colonies: Resettlement in Italy, France, Holland and England, 1550-1700,” in Brian Smollett & Christian Wiese eds., Reappraisals and New Studies of the Modern Jewish Experience: Essays in Honor of Robert M. Seltzer (Leiden: Brill, 2015) 123-44.

“Enraptured Reason’: Rousseau’s Presence in Moses Mendelssohn’s Thought,” in Helena Rosenblatt & Paul Schweigert eds., Thinking with Rousseau: From Machiavelli to Schmitt (Cambridge University Press, 2017) 92-114.

“Mendelssohn and the Religious Enlightenment: Recovering the 18th-Century Religious Setting,” in Michah Gottlieb & Charles Manekin eds., Moses Mendelssohn: Enlightenment, Religion, Politics,

Nationalism (University Press of Maryland, 2015) 319-330.

“Haskalah ve-Emanzipazia: Din ve-Heshbon beinayim,” (The Haskalah and Emancipation: A Provisional Report) in Shmuel Feiner & Zohar Shavit eds., Ha-Sifriya shel Tenuat ha-Haskalah: Yezirata shel Republikat ha-Sefarim be-Hevra ha-yehudit be-Merhav ha-Doveir Germanit (The Library of the Haskalah: The Creation of the Modern Republic of Letters in Jewish Society in the German-Speaking Sphere (Tel Aviv: Am Oved, 2014) 63-78.

“‘The Kiss of Lamourette’: ‘Possibilism’ or ‘Christian Democracy’?” in Warren Breckman, Peter Gordon, D. Moses, Samuel Moyn, E. Neaman eds., The Modernist Imagination: Intellectual History and Critical Theory (Festschrift for Martin Jay) (Berghahn Press, 2009) 3-23.

“The Vienna Rite in the Nineteenth Century,” in Jost Hermand ed., Positive Dialektik: Hoffnungsvolle Momente in der deutschen Kultur. Festschrift für Klaus L. Berghahn zum 70. Geburtstag (Bern: Peter Lang, 2007) 119-26.

“History in the Service of Belief: The Biblical Exegesis of the Religious Enlightenment,” in Hans Bödeker and Martin Gierl eds., Jenseits der Diskurse: Aufklärungspraxis und Institutionenwelt in europäisch-komparativer Perspektive (Festschrift for Rudolf Vierhaus) (Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2007) 133-47.

“Ha-Haskalah be-Berlin: Perspektiva Hashva’atit [The Berlin Haskalah: A Comparative Perspective],” in Israel Bartal and Shmuel Feiner eds., Ha-Haskalah li-Gevaneha [The Varieties of Haskalah] (Jerusalem: Magnes Press, 2005) 3-11.

“The Jewish Question in Eighteenth-Century Germany,” in Hans-Eric

Bödeker, Clorinda Donato & Peter Hanns Reill eds., Discourses of Tolerance and Intolerance in the European Enlightenment (University of Toronto Press, 2009) 144-152

"The New 'Mosaik': Jews and European Culture, 1750-1940," Dutch Jewry in a Cultural Maelstrom, 1880-1940 eds., Judith Frishman & Hetty Berg (Amsterdam: Aksant, 2007) 11-29.

"The Early Haskalah," in Shmuel Feiner & David Sorkin eds., New Perspectives on the Haskalah (London: Littman Library, 2001) 9-26.

"The Problem of Patronage and Institutionalization: Some Reflections on the Haskalah and Some Remarks on the Armenians," in Richard G. Hovannisian and David N. Myers eds., Enlightenment and Diaspora: The Armenian and Jewish Cases (Scholars Press, 1999) 131-143

"Moses Mendelssohn's Biblical Exegesis," in Michael Albrecht and Eva J. Engel eds., Moses Mendelssohn: im Spannungsfeld der Aufklärung (Frommann Verlag, 2000) 243-276

"Mendelssohn and Modernity: Was Mendelssohn the First Modern or the Last Medieval Jewish Thinker?" in Marc Raphael ed., What is Modern About Modern Jewish History (Department of Religion, College of William and Mary, 1997) 63-76

"'Historian of Fate': Fritz Stern on the History of German Jewry: An Appreciation," Fritz Stern At 70 (German Historical Institute Occasional Paper No. 19; Washington, D.C., 1997) 33-42.

"Enlightenment and Emancipation: Germany Jewry's Formative Age in Comparative Perspective," in Todd Endelman ed., Comparing

Jewish Societies (Comparative Studies in Society and History Book Series) (University of Michigan Press, 1997) 89-112. German version: "Juden und Katholiken: Deutsch-jüdische Kultur im Vergleich 1750-1850" in Shulamit Volkov ed., Deutsche Juden und die Moderne: Wieder ein 'Sonderweg'? (Oldenbourg, 1994) 9-30.

"The Internal Dialogue: Judaism and Enlightenment in Moses Mendelssohn's Thought," in Klaus Berghahn ed., The German Jewish Dialogue Reconsidered: A Symposium in Honor of George L. Mosse (New York: Peter Lang, 1996) 25-37.

"Preacher, Teacher, Publicist: Joseph Wolf & the Ideology of Emancipation," in Malino & Sorkin eds., From East and West: Jews in a Changing Europe (Basil Blackwell, 1990), 107-125. Reissued in Profiles in Diversity: Jews in a Changing Europe, 1750-1870 (Wayne State University Press, 1998) 107-125.

"Emancipation's Impact on German Jewry: A Reconsideration," in Jonathan Frankel and Steven Zipperstein eds., Assimilation and Community in European Jewry, 1815-81 (Cambridge University Press, 1992), 177-198

"The Invisible Community: Emancipation, Secular Culture and Jewish Identity in the Writings of Berthold Auerbach," in Jehuda Reinharz and Walter Schatzberg eds., The Jewish Response to German Culture (Hanover, 1985), 100-119.

Published Lectures

"Jewish Emancipation Then and Now," Leo Baeck Memorial Lecture, Leo Baeck Institute New York (2020) 37 pages.

"The Count Stanislas de Clermont-Tonnerre's 'To the Jews as a Nation'; The Career of a Quotation," Jacob Katz Memorial Lecture

2011, Leo Baeck Institute Jerusalem (2012) 45 pages.

"`A Wise, Enlightened and Reliable Piety:' The Religious Enlightenment in Central and Western Europe, 1689-1789," Parkes Institute Pamphlet no. 1, University of Southampton (2002) 27 pages.

"The Spirit of Prussian Jewry: The Dual Legacy of Berlin." Publications of the Braun Chair for Prussian Jewish History, Bar-Ilan University, no. 2 (1993) 13 pages.

Reference

"Emancipation," in Naomi Seidman ed., Oxford Bibliographies in Jewish Studies (online) (New York: Oxford University Press) 40 pages

"Haskalah" & "Mendelssohn" in Alan Kors ed., Encyclopedia of the Enlightenment 4 vols. (Oxford University Press, 2003) 2:186-189 & 3:58-61.

"Moses Mendelssohn," in Deutsche Biographische Enzyklopädie vol. 7 (Saur Verlag, 1998) 58-59.

"1783. The Final Volume of Moses Mendelssohn's edition of the Pentateuch appears," in Yale Companion to Jewish Writing and Thought in German Culture, 1096-1996 (Yale University Press, 1997) 93-100

"Moses Mendelssohn," in Blackwell companion to Jewish Culture since the Eighteenth Century (Oxford, 1989), 510-512.

Textbooks

"Jewish Emancipation in Central and Western Europe," in The Jewish Enigma: An Enduring People (UK: Open University & Peter Halban Publishers, 1992; US: George Braziller, 1993), 81-109.

"Into the Modern World," in Nicholas deLange ed., The Illustrated History of the Jewish People (Canada: Key Porter; USA: Harcourt Brace; UK: Aurum Press; 1997), 199-253

Miscellaneous

"Introduction," to George L. Mosse, German Jews *beyond* Judaism, reprint, (U. of Wisconsin Press, forthcoming).

"Age of Absolutism," in "1700 Years of German Jewish History," Leo Baeck Institute, online exhibit, 2000 words

"The Enlightenment –Bohemian Style," Afterword to Ivo Cerman, Rita Krueger, Susan Reynolds eds., Man and Morals in Central Europe: The Enlightenment in a Multi-Cultural Milieu (Prague: SVEC, 2011) 295-302.

"Godless Liberals: The Myth of the Secular Enlightenment," Religion Dispatches (October 13, 2008) (on-line journal) 1-4.

"Moses Mendelssohn's First Hebrew Publication: An Annotated Translation of the *Kohelet Mussar*," Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook 48 (2003) 3-23 trs. Edward Breuer, edited and annotated, Edward Breuer and David Sorkin

Preface ("Zum Geleit") to German translation of Selma Stern, Der Hofjude im Zeitalter des Absolutismus ed. Marina Sassenberg (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2001) iv-v

"Introduction" to reprint of Transactions of the Paris Sanhedrin

(University Press of America, 1985), vii-xv.

"Beyond the Émigré Synthesis," Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook 45
(2000) 209-210

Reviews

The Autobiography of Solomon Maimon: The Complete Translation.
Edited by Yitzhak Y. Melamed & Abraham P. Socher; Translated by
Paul Reitter; With an Afterword by Gideon Freudenthal (Princeton and
Oxford: Princeton University Press, 2018) Intellectual History
Review (online)

Ulrich L. Lehner & Michael Printy eds., A Companion to the Catholic
Enlightenment in Europe (Leiden: Brill, 2010) Rivista di Storia del
Cristianesimo (September 2013) 279-87.

Guy Miron, The Waning of Emancipation: Jewish History, Memory
and the Rise of Fascism in Germany, France and Hungary (Detroit:
Wayne State University Press. 2011) Central European History
(forthcoming).

Marcus Twellmann, 'Über die Eide': Zucht und Kritik im Preussen
der Aufklärung (Munich: Konstanz, 2010) English Historical Review
127 (October, 2012) 1240-1242

Shmuel Feiner, The Origins of Jewish Secularization in Eighteenth-
Century Europe trs. Chaya Naor (Pennsylvania, 2011) Journal of
Modern History 84 (June, 2012) 2, 457-9

Eric Nelson, The Hebrew Republic: Jewish Sources and the
Transformation of European Political Thought (Harvard, 2010) Journal
of Modern History 83 (September 2011) 3, 622-24.

Michael Brocke, Margarete Jäger, Siegfried Jäger, Jobst Paul, Iris Tonks, Visionen der gerechten Gesellschaft: der Diskurs der deutsch-jüdischen Publizistik im 19. Jahrhundert (Böhlau, 2009) Shofar 29 (Spring, 2011) no. 3, 169-71.

Jeffrey D. Burson, The Rise and Fall of Theological Enlightenment: Jean-Martin de Prades and Ideological Polarization in Eighteenth-Century France (Notre Dame University Press, 2010) Journal of Modern History (forthcoming)

Abigail Green, Moses Montefiore: Jewish Liberator, Imperial Hero (Harvard University Press, 2010) in Jewish Review of Books (Summer, 2010) 23-25

Robin Judd, Contested Rituals: Circumcision, Kosher Butchering and Jewish Political Life in Germany, 1843-1933 (Cornell University Press, 2007) in The Forward (November 30, 2007) B1& 3.

Amos Elon, The Pity of it All: A History of the Jews in Germany, 1743-1933 (Metropolitan Books, 2002) in The New Leader (November/December, 2002) 25-6

Edward Breuer, The Limits of Enlightenment: Jews, Germans and the Eighteenth-Century Study of Scripture (Harvard University Press, 1996), Journal of Jewish Studies 48, 1 (1997) 180-81.

Steven Lowenstein, The Berlin Jewish Community: Enlightenment, Family and Crisis, 1770-1830 (Oxford University Press, 1994), Central European History 29, 1 (1996) 129-33.

Michael Berkowitz, Zionist Culture and West European Jewry Before the First World War (Cambridge University Press, 1993), Central European History 26 (1993) 495-7.

Jack Wertheimer, Unwelcome Strangers: East European Jews in Imperial Germany (Oxford, 1987), English Historical Review 105 (1990), 1068.

Mordechai Breuer, Jüdische Orthodoxie im deutschen Kaiserreich (Athenaum, 1986), Studies in Contemporary Jewry 6 (1989), 387-389.

Reinhard Bendix, From Berlin to Berkeley: German-Jewish Identities (Transaction Books) in Theory and Society 17, 2 (1988), 285-291.

Nicholas de Lange, Judaism (Oxford, 1986) Journal of Jewish Studies 38, 1 (1987), 135-37.

Bernard Lewis, Semites and Anti-Semites (Weidenfeld and Nicholson, 1986) in Jewish Quarterly 34, 4 (1987), 38-40.

Jacob Katz ed., Towards Modernity: The European Jewish Model (Transaction Books, 1987), Polin, 3, 383-386.

Ritchie Robertson, Heine (Peter Halban, 1988), Journal of Jewish Studies 39, 2 (1988), 284-5.

Hans I. Bach, The German Jew: A Synthesis of Judaism and Western Civilization, 1730-1930 (Oxford University Press) in Conservative Judaism 38 (Spring, 1986), 96-97.

PAPERS:

- 2024 Keynote, The Catholic Enlightenment, Washington University of St. Louis and St. Louis University
- 2020 Harvard University, Center for European Studies
Book Panel, Jewish Emancipation, Association for the Study of Nationalities (May 7, 2020) [cancelled]

2019 Leo Baeck Institute Memorial Lecture, Center for Jewish History, New York
University Seminar, Columbia University
Keynote, Forschungs Kolleg, Bad Homburg
German Historical Museum, Berlin

2018 CUNY-Graduate Center
Center for Jewish History, New York

2017 Museum of Jewish Heritage, New York
Lehman Lecture, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies
George Weidenfeld Lecture, Institute for Historical Research, London
Keynote Lecture, "Liberalism, Anti-Semitism and the Dialectics of Inclusion," Oxford University (March 13-14, 2017)
University of Maryland-College Park

2016 Judaic Studies Visiting Scholar, Brown University
Mahan Lecture, U. of South Alabama
University of Connecticut-Stamford

2015 CUNY-Graduate Center
North Carolina-State

2012 University of Maryland, College Park

2012 Vanderbilt University
Taft Lecture, University of Cincinnati
University College London

2011 Jacob Katz Memorial Lecture, Leo Baeck Institute, Jerusalem
Nemer Lecture, University of Southern California
Center for European Studies, Yale University
University of Maryland, College Park
Kahn Institute, Smith College
University of Utrecht/University of Rotterdam

2010 Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study
Pro-Cultura & Scientia/SCAS: Stockholms Konserthus
Dutch-Belgian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (Keynote)
Tel Aviv University
Alexander Grass Lecture, University of Florida

- Harry Elson Memorial Lecture, American Jewish Historical Society
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- 2009 Yves Simon Lecture, Lumen Christi Center, University of Chicago
Deitchman Family Lectures, Holy Cross College
Université de Montréal (Centre canadien d'études allemandes et
européennes)
American Academy for Jewish Research/Association for Jewish
Studies
- 2008 University of Pennsylvania
Max Planck Institut für europäische Rechtsgeschichte, Frankfurt a.M.
Eugen Täubler Lecture, Hochschule für jüdische Studien, Heidelberg
Hayes Robinson Lecture, Royal Holloway College, U. of London
College of Charleston
Hebrew University (Jerusalem)
- 2007 American Catholic Historical Association, Marquette University
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales
- 2005 Brown University
Joseph and Gertie Schwartz Memorial Lecture, U. of Toronto
- 2003 All Souls College, Oxford
St. Antony's College, Oxford
Oxford Centre for Hebrew & Jewish Studies
International Conference on Eighteenth-Century Studies (UCLA)
- 2002 Zandtke Lecture, University of Kentucky-Lexington
European University, Florence
- 2001 Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences (Keynote)
Hebrew University (Israel)
Mann Lecture, Ohio State University
Southampton University (UK) (Keynote)
Parkes Lecture, Southampton University (UK)
- 2000 Tel Aviv University
Bar-Ilan University
Ben Gurion University
Richard Popkin Lecture, Clark Library, UCLA

1999 Leiden University
University of Pennsylvania

1998 Washington & Lee University
Technische Universität, Berlin
Meyerhoff Lecture, University of Pennsylvania
University of California, Berkeley

1997 Stein Memorial Lecture, Emory University
Internationales Forschungszentrum Kulturwissenschaften, Vienna
Sherman Lectures, Manchester University (UK)
Reinfeld Lecture, Connecticut College
Center for the Humanities, Cornell University
University of Toronto

1996 College of William and Mary
Princeton University
German Historical Institute, Washington D.C.

1995 Clark Library, UCLA

1994 University of Pittsburgh
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Melton Center for Jewish Studies, Ohio State University
Clark Library, UCLA

1993 World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem
Open History Seminar, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati
University of California, Berkeley
Bronstein Lecture, Indiana University

1991 Bar-Ilan University, Israel
C.H. Beck Lecture, University of Munich
Wiener Library, London

1990 Historisches Kolleg, Munich
Webber Memorial Lecture, Society for Jewish Study, London
Free University, Berlin

1989 Southampton University
British Association for Jewish Studies, Cambridge

1988 Cambridge University

New York University

1987 Jewish Historical Society of England
Max Planck Institute, Göttingen
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1986 Leo Baeck Institute Faculty Colloquium, New York

1985 American Historical Association, New York
Centre for European Studies, Harvard University

1983 International Conference on German Jews, Clark University
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1981 Association for Jewish Studies, Boston

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

2012-2022 Vice-President, American Academy for Jewish Research

2011-2020 Chair, Academic Advisory Board, Leo Baeck Institute (New York)

2012- Board of Trustees, Leo Baeck Institute (New York)

2009-11 Editorial Board, Journal of Modern History

2001-2018 Associate Editor, Journal of Modern Jewish Studies

1995-2000 Executive Board, Association for Jewish Studies

1992- Editorial Board, Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook

1990-94 Editorial Board, Jewish Thought and Philosophy

1989-1992 Executive Committee, Leo Baeck Institute, London

1988-1991 Executive Committee, British Association for Jewish Studies

ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES:

2015, 2022-2023 Acting Director, Program in Judaic Studies, Yale University

2021-2023 Senior Essay Director, Department of History, Yale University

2011-14 Jack H. Skirball Director, Center for Jewish Studies, CUNY-Graduate Center

2003-07 Director, Institute for Research in the Humanities, UW-Madison

1999-2011 Chair, George L. Mosse Program, Department of History, UW-Madison

1993-98 Director, Center for Jewish Studies, UW-Madison

