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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Literature; Comparative Literature; Literary Theory; Cultural Theory; Medieval and Modern Middle Eastern Political, Social, Cultural, and Religious History; History of Modern Israel and Zionism; Mizrahi Studies; Palestinian Studies; Theory of Religion; Secularism Studies; Hebrew Language (Modern, Medieval, Biblical); Jewish/Hebrew Thought and Literature (Biblical, Medieval Modern); Arabic Language (Classical, Medieval, Modern); Arabic Thought and Literature (Classical, Medieval, Modern); Judeo-Arabic; Rap & Hip-Hop Studies.

EDUCATION

The Ohio State University

PhD, expected Dec '18
(Currently ABD)

Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

- Topic of Study: Protest Literature and Rap by '48 Palestinians in Hebrew and Arabic
- Advisor, Naomi Brenner

The Ohio State University

MA, June 2013

Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

- Topic of Study: Medieval Hebrew Poetry in Andalusia
- Advisor, Adena Tanenbaum
- Thesis: "Solomon ibn Gabirol and Samuel ibn Naghrela: An Examination of Life and Death"

Shalom Spiegel Summer Seminar, JTS

June 2012

- Intensive week-long seminar on medieval Hebrew poetry with Raymond Scheindlin at the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York.

The University of Texas at Austin

Middle Eastern Studies

- Hebrew Studies

The University of Chicago

Bachelors Degree with Honors

June 2009

Comparative Literature

- Topic of Study: Modern and Medieval Hebrew Literature
- Advisor, Norman Golb
- Thesis: "The Poetry of Shmuel HaNagid: Translation and Analysis"

○Minor: Jewish Studies

- Topic of Study: Hebrew and Eastern European Jewish Literature

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Hebrew University Summer Intensive Hebrew Ulpan

Jerusalem, Israel

○Intensive Hebrew language study level Gimel: 150 hours

July, '12

○Intensive Hebrew language study level Bet: 150 hours

July, '07

University of Haifa Summer Intensive Hebrew Ulpan

Haifa, Israel

○Intensive Hebrew language study level Dalet: 300 hours total

July-August, '08

AWARDS AND GRANTS

FLAS Grant, OSU

2012

○Foreign Language and Area Studies Grant awarded by the Ohio State University for intensive study of Hebrew at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Roth Essay Contest Graduate Scholarship, OSU

2011

○Second Prize for essay entitled: "Lekha Dodi: The Kabbalistic Significance of the Hymn in a Historical Context"

○Awarded by the Melton Center for Jewish Studies at Ohio State

Dan C. Danciger Scholarship, The University of Texas at Austin

2010

○Awarded by UT based on academic achievements in and commitment to Hebrew studies.

FLAG Grant, The University of Chicago

2008

○Foreign Language Acquisition Grant awarded by the University of Chicago to study Hebrew at the University of Haifa

The University of Chicago Deans List

2007-2008

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

ADMINISTRATION

Assistant Coordinator & Website Manager, Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing

Columbus, OH

Au'17-Present

○Maintain the CSTW/ Writing Center website and Canvas page

○Develop new content for the CSTW website and track site analytics.

- Created the following new content for the website: [Accessibility](#), [FAQ](#), [Consultant Spotlights](#), [Drop Off](#), [Live Chat](#), [Team Project](#), and [Veterans' Sessions](#), [Satellite Writing Center in Thompson Library](#), [Writing Mechanics](#), [Paper Content and Organization](#), [Brainstorming](#), [Dissertation and Thesis Support](#), [Library and Research](#), [Consultant Resources](#), [Career Preparation](#), and [Science Writing Resources](#).

○Created Promotional Writing Center Video

- [stream](#) video (currently only accessible to Mediasite users)

○Oversee Writing Groups and Writing Group facilitators

- Currently oversee 7 Writing Groups and 6 facilitators

- Lead an Online Accountability Writing Group
 - Original Writing Group that I developed from scratch
 - Created a semester-long syllabus on topics such as Accountability, Goal Setting, Resource Management, Simplifying Syntax, etc.
 - Created Video Lessons for each weekly topic
- Oversee Live-Chat and Drop-Off Online sessions and Online Consultants.
 - Currently oversee 15 Live Chat and 23 Drop Off sessions, for a sum of 38 total online sessions, offered each week
 - Currently oversee 8 Online Consultants
- Facilitate a Mentorship group of Writing Center grad and undergrad consultants
 - Lead trainings of consulting strategies
 - Lead conversations among Consultants about sensitive issues they encounter in sessions

GAA, OSU's Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies

Columbus, OH
Spr '15-Spr '17

- Involved in the organization of three international conferences in CMRS's third yearly 'Popular Culture and the Deep Past' series.
- Maintained and updated CMRS website (<https://cmrs.osu.edu/>)
- Communications and Publicity June '11-Sept '11
- Updated and compiled database of medieval & renaissance scholars in Ohio June '12-Aug '12
- Edited articles and assisted in compilation of Festschrift volume in honor of Barbara Hanawalt, Notre Dame Press (never published)

GAA, Center for Languages Literatures and Cultures

Columbus, OH
Jan '13-Dec '14

- Staffed the front desk of the Individualized Instruction & Learning Center
- Proctored foreign language tests and placement exams
- Mentored and assisted students in all aspects of planning and maintaining their foreign language curriculum

Assistant, Ohio State Judaica Library

Columbus, OH
Sept '11- Dec '12

- Assisted Ohio State head Judaica librarian Yossi Galron
- Typed bibliographies of Hebrew books for website "Metsudah", a bibliographical database of Hebrew books created by Yossi Galron (<http://library.osu.edu/projects/hebrew-lexicon/99995028001.php>)
- Catalogued Hebrew and Judaica books by adding them to the OCLC database

Clerical Assistant, University of Chicago School Mathematics Project

Hyde Park, IL
Sep '07-Nov '08

- Organized two mathematical conferences (one international)
- Delivered mail, typed expenses reports and direct payment vouchers, photocopied, shipped documents using FedEx, and prepared documents for mass mailings.

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Office Assistant, OSU's Melton Center for Jewish Studies

Columbus, OH
June '07-Sep '07

- Gained experience working in an academic archive
- Organized thirty years worth of collected files on Jewish and Islamic Philosophy

Student Worker, University of Chicago Booth School of Business

Hyde Park, IL
Sep '06-Sep '07

- Data entry clerk in the Alumni Development office

TEACHING

Writing Consultant, Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing

Columbus, OH
Au '13-Summer '17

- Single-handedly engineered and implemented Drop-Off Tutorials at CSTW, including the development of all the guidelines and protocols. Starting this semester (Spring '16), Drop-Off Tutorials will for the first time be an established program at CSTW, with several consultants offering these services.
- Meet with students for one-on-one tutoring sessions at OSU's Writing Center
- Facilitate writing groups (PhD and MA dissertation, personal statement)
- Have experience assisting students from diverse backgrounds with all types of writing, including PhD dissertations, articles for publication, admission essays, seminar papers, class essays, creative assignments, art portfolios, etc.

Graduate TA, Ohio State

- MEDREN 2666 Magic and Witchcraft in the Middle Ages and Renaissance
- JS 2201 Introduction to Jewish Studies

Graduate TA, The University of Texas at Austin

- HEBREW 506
- HEBREW 507

Teacher, Congregation Agudas Achim, Columbus, OH

Sept '11- May '12

- Taught Hebrew and Jewish studies to third grade students
- Topics include: weekly *parsha*, Bible studies, *Tefila*, Hebrew language, Israel studies, and Jewish holidays

PROFESSIONAL EDITING

Professional Freelance Proofreader, Proofed Inc.

Summer '16- Present

- Qualified Professional Freelance Proofreader for the online proofreading company Proofed Inc. based in NYC (formerly based in the UK)
- Edit all types of documents (including Masters and PhD Theses and journal articles) for both native and non-native English speakers
- Provide clients with comments on the content of their work

Freelance Copy Editor

June '12-Present

○Published works edited in entirety include:

- The Poetry of Paul Valery. Translated by Nathaniel Rudavsky-Brody (FSG, 2016)
- Jean-Michel De Waele, Fabien Escalona and Mathieu Vieira (eds.), Social Democracy Facing Financial Crisis, Manchester University Press, 2013
- Jean-Michel De Waele, Fabien Escalona and Mathieu Vieira (eds.), The Palgrave Handbook of Social Democracy, Palgrave Macmillan, 2013

RESEARCH

Research Assistant, Cambridge History of Jewish Philosophy

Dec '07-Jan '08

- Developed consistent transliterations of Arabic and Hebrew words
- Edited articles and researched and double-checked for consistency of historical information in articles
- Composed reference bio-bibliographies of Medieval Philosophers

Lab Technician, Applied Biomolecular Technologies

Columbus, OH
June '07-September '07

- Performed Immunological Assays (ELISA) on bacterial extracts to determine concentration of recombinant proteins.

CONFERENCES

ECWCA

Columbus, OH
March 23-25, '18

- “Writing Groups in the Writing Center: Strengthening the Ongoing Writing Support”

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

COMMUNITY LECTURES

“Israel in Poetry, Song, and Rap”

Oct '16

- Creekside Wexner Heritage Village

Columbus, OH

“Israel in Modern Hebrew Poetry Before and After 1948”

Oct '14

- Creekside Wexner Heritage Village

Columbus, OH

“Love in Medieval Hebrew Poetry”

June '14

- Creekside Wexner Heritage Village

Columbus, OH

“Life and Death in Medieval Hebrew Poetry”

April '14

- Melton Center Community Text Study Group

Columbus, OH

VOLUNTEERING

YMCA Hoover Learning Garden

Summer '17 - Present
Lockbourne, OH

○Volunteer as a gardener during the summer in this learning garden that serves the local Columbus community by providing food, information, and produce.

Local Matters

March '18- Present
Columbus, OH

○Volunteer at local events in Columbus such as planting and harvesting in the learning gardens, helping food educators teach food-related lessons in local preschool programs, and sharing basic cooking skills with adults at risk of hunger.

Four Seasons City Farm

March '18- Present
Olde Towne East, OH

○Work in the garden during the summer in my local urban community garden that gives back to the local community through education, and donation of vegetables and fruits.

SERVICE INDUSTRY

Wait Staff, Northstar Café

Summer '10
Columbus, OH

○Served food, bussed tables, brewed coffee, greeted guests

Server, Leona's Italian Restaurant

Summer '09
Chicago (Hyde Park), IL

○Waited tables and prepared mixed drinks (alcoholic)

Sales Associate, Powell's Books

August '06-June '07
Chicago (Hyde Park), IL

○Worked as a sales associate; organized books according to genre