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Employment

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| 2003-present | Sizele Family Chair of Jewish Studies, Tulane University
Full Professor (2008)
Director of the Jewish Studies Program (2003-present)
Chairman of the German and Slavic Department (2007-present)
Associate Professor in the Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies (2003-08) |
| 2000-2002 | Associate Professor, Department of Modern Languages, Program in Jewish Studies, University of Nebraska |
| 1994-2000 | Assistant Professor, Department of Modern Languages, Program in Jewish Studies, University of Nebraska |
| 1993-1994 | Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Modern Languages, Program in Jewish Studies, University of Nebraska |

Education

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| 1993 | Ph.D. in Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of California, Berkeley
Dissertation: "M. O. Gershenzon and the Intellectual Life of Russia's Silver Age." Committee: Hugh McLean, Irina Paperno, Nicholas Riasanovsky. |
| 1986 | M. A. in Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of California, Berkeley |
| 1983 | B. A. Slavic Languages and Literatures, New York University |

Books

Jewish Philanthropy and Enlightenment in Late-Tsarist Russia, University of Washington Press, forthcoming 2008.

Empire Jews: Jewish Nationalism and Acculturation in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century Russia. Slavica Publishers, forthcoming 2008.

The Myth of Alexander Pushkin in Russia's Silver Age: M. O. Gershenzon-Pushinist. Northwestern University Press, 1996.
Republished in Russian translation: *Mikhail Gershenzon Pushkinist: Pushkinskii mif v serebriannom veke russkoi literatury*, Moscow: Minuvshee, 2004.

Edited Books

The Jews of Eastern Europe: Studies in Jewish Civilization, vol. 16, co-edited L. J. Greenspoon, R. A. Simkins, and B. Horowitz, introduction by B. Horowitz, Craighton University Press, 2005.

Articles in Journals

“Semyon An-sky-Dialogic Writer,” *Polin: A Journal Devoted to Polish-Jewish Relations*, vol 24, expected, 2010.

“Integration and its Discontents: Mikhail Morgulis and the Ideology of Jewish Integration in Russia” *Polin: A Journal Devoted to Polish-Jewish Relations*, vol. 22, expected 2008.

“Both Crisis and Continuity: A Reinterpretation of Late-Czarist Russian Jewry,” *Vestnik Evreiskogo Universiteta*, 11, no. 29, 2006, 89-112.

“Russian-Zionist Cultural Cooperation, 1916-1918: Leib Jaffe and the Russian Intelligentsia,” *Jewish Social Studies*, 13, no 1, Fall 2006, 87-109.

“A. S. Pushkin’s Shifting Poetics: Deceptive Subtexts in ‘Domik v Kolomne,’” *Pushkin Journal*, 8-9, 2005-06, 45-60.

“Hail to Assimilation: Vladimir ‘Ze’ev’ Jabotinsky’s Ambivalence about Odessa’s Fin de Siècle,” *Novoe literaturnoe obozrenie* 73, 2005, 109-116.

“A Jewish Russifier in Despair: Lev Levanda’s ‘Polish Question’” *Polin: A Journal Devoted to Polish-Jewish Relations* 17, 2004: 279-298.

“The Society for the Promotion of Enlightenment among the Jews of Russia, and the Evolution of the St. Petersburg Russian-Jewish Intelligentsia, 1893-1905” *Jews and the State: Dangerous Alliances and the Perils of Privilege, Studies in Contemporary Jewry* 19, ed. Ezra Mendelsohn, 2004, 195-213.

“Gershenzon-evrei,” *Judaica Rossica*, 3, Moscow: Russian State University for the Humanities, 2003: 158-173.

“M. O. Gershenzon and George Florovsky (‘Metaphysical Philosophers of Russian History’),” *Canadian-American Slavonic Studies*, 34, no. 3, 2001, 365-374.

“A. S. Pushkin’s Self-Projection in the 1830s: ‘Letters to his Wife.’” *Pushkin Journal*, 3, 2000, 65-80.

“A Portrait of a Jewish Philanthropist: Jacob Teitel’s Social Struggle,” *Shofar* 18, no. 3, Spring 1999, 1-12.

“The Tension of Athens and Jerusalem in the Philosophy of Lev Shestov,” *Slavic and East European Journal* 43: 1, Spring, 1999, 156-173.

“Unity and Disunity in Landmarks: The Rivalry between Petr Struve and Mikhail Gershenzon,” *Studies in East European Thought*, 51, no. 1, March 1999, 61-78.

“Lev Platonovich Karsavin: Historian of Medieval Italy and Russian Orthodox Theologian,” (in Croatian) *Knjizhevna smotra* [Croatia], 3, no. 1, 1999, 81-84.

“The Demolition of Reason in Lev Shestov's *Athens and Jerusalem*,” *Poetics Today* 19: 2, Summer 1998, 71-91.

“Jewish Stereotyping: Vasily Rozanov and Jewish Menace,” *Shofar* 16, no. 1, Fall 1997, 85-100.

“Genrikh Sliozberg: shtrikhi k politicheskomu portretu ("Henry Sliozberg: a Political Portrait"),” *Vestnik Evreiskogo Universiteta v Moskve* 2, no. 15, Moscow, 1997, 187-203.

“Vladimir Ern and his Skovoroda: A Historian and his Philosophical Antithesis,” *The Journal of Ukrainian Studies*, 22, no. 1-2, Summer-Winter 1997, 97-104.

“Unrequited Love for Russia,” *Midstream*, October 1996, 37-40.

“From the Annals of the Literary Life of Russia's Silver Age: The Tempestuous Relationship of S. A. Vengerov and M. O. Gershenzon,” *Wiener Slawistischer Almanach* 35, 1995, 77-95; abridged form in “*Oh Rus!*” *Festschrift to Honor Professor Hugh McLean*, eds. S. Karlinsky, J. Rice and B. Scheer, Berkeley: Berkeley Slavic Specialties, 1995, 406-419.

“The End of a Friendship: the Russian-Jewish Rift in Twentieth-Century Russian Philosophy: N. A. Berdiaev and M. O. Gershenzon,” *Russian Review* 53: 4, October 1994, 497-514. Republished: *Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism*, ed. Scot Peacock, New York: Gale 67, 1997, 75-83. “Ot Vekh' k russkoi revoliutsii: dva filosafo N. A. Berdiaev i M. O. Gershenzon.” *Vestnik russkogo studencheskogo khristianskogo dvizheniia* 166, May, 1992, 89-132.

“M. O. Gershenzon and the Perception of a Leader in Russia's Silver-Age Culture,” *Wiener Slawistischer Almanach* 29, 1992, 45-73.

“Les premiers pas dans la vie: les années de mon immortalité,” *La revue des études slaves* 63, 1991, 621-629.

Articles in Books

“Innovative Agent of an Alternative Jewish Politics: The Odessa Branch of the Society for the Promotion of Enlightenment among the Jews of Russia,” in *Place, Identity and Urban Culture, Odessa and New Orleans, Occasional Papers of the Kennan Institute*, ed. Blair Ruble, expected 2008, 9-18.

“Maksim Vinaver and the First Russian State Duma” (in German), in *Von Duma zu Duma. Hundert Jahre Russischer Parlamentarismus*, Dittmar Dahmann/Pascal Trees, eds., expected 2008.

“Vozvrat k voprosu: Vladimir Solov’ev i evrei” (Vladimir Solov’ev and the Jews: A Reexamination), *Russko-evreiskii arkhiv*, 4, expected 2008.

“Sticking it to the Tsar: Jacob Schiff, Herman Rosenthal, and the American Fight to Stop Russian State Antisemitism,” *Jewish Immigration from Russia, 1881-2005*, ed. Olga Belova, Moscow: Rospen, expected 2008.

“Shimon Dubnov’s ‘Dialogue’ with Heinrich Graetz and Abraham Harkavy and the Struggle for the Domination of Russian-Jewish Historiography, 1883-93,” *Dubnov*, eds. I. Bartal and D. Charuv, The Zalman Shazar Center, expected 2008.

“Partial Victory from Defeat: 1905, Jewish Liberals, and the Society for the Promotion of Enlightenment among the Jews of Russia,” *The Revolution of 1905 and Russia’s Jews, A Turning Point?* E. Mendelsohn and S. Hoffman, ed., University of Pennsylvania Press, 2007, 117-41.

“Fact into Fiction: Russian-Jewish Writers Face Pogroms (1880-1914),” *Times of Trouble: Violence in Russian Literature and Culture*, ed. M. Levitt & T. Novikov, University of Wisconsin Press, 2007, 193-202.

“Poet i natsiia: slava i stradaniia na tvorcheskom puti Shimona Fruga (Poet and Nation: Fame and Amnesia in Shimon Frug’s Literary Reputation),” *Russko-evreiskaia kul’tura*, Moscow: Rospen, 2006, 12-31.

“Spiritual and Physical Strength in Ansky’s Literary Imagination,” *The Worlds of S. Ansky: A Russian-Jewish Intellectual at the Turn of the Century*, ed. S. Zipperstein & G. Safron, Stanford University Press, 2006, 103-118.

“The Image of Russian Jews in Russian-Jewish Historiography, 1860-1914” *The Jews of Eastern Europe: Studies in Jewish Civilization* 16, Creighton University Press, 2005, 168-189.

“Chronotope and the Paradoxes of M. Bakhtin’s Historical Thinking” *Prelomleniia* 3, ed. A. Avatsaturov, St. Petersburg, 2004, 112-123 (Russian).

“‘A Knight of Free Creativity’: Lev Shestov on William James,” *William James in Russian Culture*, ed. Joan Delaney Grossman & Ruth Rischin, Lanham: Lexington, 2003, 159-168.

Encyclopedia Articles

“The Society for the Promotion of Enlightenment among the Jews of Russia,” *Cambridge Companion to Jewish History, Religion, and Culture*, ed. Judith Baskin, expected 2008.

“Frug, Shimen Shmuel” *The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*, 2 vols., ed. Gershon Hundert, New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008, 1: 553-554.

“Nikolai Minsky,” *The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*, 2 vols., ed. Gershon Hundert, New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008, 2: 1180.

“Lev Shestov,” *The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*, 2 vols. ed. Gershon Hundert, New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008, 2: 1708.

“M. O. Gershenzon,” *The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*, ed. Gershon Hundert, New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008, 2: 1771-1773.

“Society for the Promotion of Culture among the Jews of Russia,” *The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*, ed. Gershon Hundert, New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008, 1771-1773.

“St.Petersburg in the Russian-Jewish Literary Imagination,” *History of the Literary Cultures of East Central Europe*, ed. Marcel Cornis-Pope, et al., Amsterdam and Philadelphia: John Benjamins Pub., 2006, vol. 2, 195-200.

“Imperial Russian Survey,” *Antisemitism: A Historical Encyclopedia of Prejudice and Persecution*, ed. Richard Levy, 2 vols., Santa Barbara: ABD-CLIO, 2005, 2: 229-32.

“Romanticism and the Jews,” *Encyclopedia of Romanticism*, 2 vols., ed. Chris Murray, London: Fitzroy Dearborn, 2004, 1: 575-576.

“Thus Spoke *Moskovskii Pushkinist*: Alexander Pushkin in Contemporary Russian Scholarship,” *Slavic Review*, ed. Stephanie Sandler, 58: 2, 1999, 434-439.

“Alexander Vel'tman: 1880-1870,” *Dictionary of Literary Biography: Russian Literature in the Age of Pushkin and Gogol: Prose*, ed. C. A. Rydel, Washington DC: Gale Research 1999, 331-343.

“The End of Quotation,” *Slavic and East European Journal* 42, no. 4, Winter 1998, 730-735.

“Russian Essay,” *Encyclopedia of the Essay*, ed. T. Chevalier, London: Fitzroy Dearborn, 1997, 717-723.

“Mikhail Gershenzon,” *Encyclopedia of the Essay*, ed. T. Chevalier, London: Fitzroy Dearborn, 1997, 331-337.

“The First Wave of Russian Emigration: New Perspectives Following the Fall of the Berlin Wall,” *Slavic and East European Journal* 3, 1993, 371-379.

“Before the Fall,” *The American Scholar*, Spring, 1992, 290-296; republished in part in *Red Men in Red Square* by Claude Clayton Smith, Pocahontas Press, 1994, 155-157.

Publications in Newspapers and Popular Venues

“Unlikely Hero: Shimon Ansky and Secularism,” *Contemplate*, 2008.

Edited book: *Only a Goat Walks Backwards: The Life of Fania Eichenblat as told to: Dr. Alan Kaye and Brian Horowitz*, New Orleans: AARK Publishers, 2008.

“Finding Refuge from the Storm, in the Nick of Time,” *The Forward*, September 9, 2005, 6-7.

Translations and Publications with My Notes and Introduction

With V. Khazan, "Iz istorii russko-evreiskikh literaturnykh otnoshenii. Pis'ma russkikh pisatelei k L. B. Jaffe, *Arkhiv evreiskoi istorii*, Moscow: Rosspen, 2005, 404-448.

Translation of Osip Rabinovich's "The Punitive Recruit" ("Strafnoi"), *Anthology of Russian-Jewish Literature*, 2 vols., M. E. Sharpe, Armonk, NY, 2006.

Letters of Lev Borisovich Jaffe to Mikhail Osipovich Gershenzon, notes and introduction by B. Horowitz, *Vestnik Evreiskogo Universiteta v Moskve*, 2(18), (1998): 210-225; republished in part in *Russian Jewry Abroad*, 11, Jerusalem, 2005, 54-61.

Reviews

Over 40 reviews in the following: *The American Historical Review*, *Jews in Eastern Europe*, *Pushkin Review*, *Kritika*, *Menorah Review*, *Slavic and Eastern European Journal*, *Slavic Review*, *Contemporary Jewry*, *Russian Review*, *Revolutionary Russia*, *South Atlantic Review*, *Russian History/Histoire Russe*, *Shofar*, *RuBriCa*, *Nationalities Papers*, *Russian History Journal*, *Midstream*, *Chrysalis*, *Hungarian Quarterly*.

Invited Lectures

Russian Center, Oberlin College, February 24, 2008.
Russian Department, Reed College, November 7, 2007.
Davis Center for Russian Studies, Harvard University, March 21, 2006.
Slavic Department, Brandeis University, March 20, 2006.
Faculty Seminar, Jewish Studies, Rutgers University, December 11, 2005.
Jewish Studies, Indiana University, Nov. 18, 2005.
Modern Languages, William and Mary College, Oct. 27, 2005.
Slavic Department/ Jewish Studies, UC Berkeley, Oct. 24, 2005.
Judaic Studies/ Slavic Department, University of Wisconsin, Sept. 20, 2005.
Jewish Studies Program, University of Denver, April 28, 2005.
Slavic Seminar, University of Heidelberg, July 17, 2002 (delivered in German).
Seminar For East European History, University of Erlangen, July 10, 2002.
Russian Studies Program, Amherst College, Nov. 9, 2001
Pushkin Museum, Kiev, Ukraine. June 6, 2001.
Seminar for Jewish History, Hebrew University, April 20, 2001.
Slavic, English and Judaic Studies, University of Copenhagen, March 7-9, 2001
Historical Seminar/ Judaic Studies, University of Bonn, Jan. 9, 2001.
Judaic Studies/Slavic Dept., University of Wisconsin, Madison, April 9, 1999.
Judaic Studies/Slavic Dept., University of Chicago, Hyde Park, April 1, 1998.
Slavic Dept, Northwestern University, Evanston, March 31, 1998.
Judaic Studies Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, March 25, 1998.
Russian and E. European Center, University of Kansas, Lawrence, April 6, 1995.

Talks at Conferences (since 2000)

June 17-19, 2008, International Conference, Jewish Ethnographic-Historical Society, International Institute for the Study of East-European Jewry/ European University of St. Petersburg, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Nov. 17-20, 2007, Annual Conference of the Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), New Orleans.

Dec. 24-25, 2006, International Conference, Geography of Yiddish, Haifa University, Israel.

Dec. 11-13, 2006, International Conference, Jewish Emigration from Russia, International Institute for the Study of East-European Jewry, Moscow

Nov. 17, 2006, Annual Conference of the Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Washington D.C.

Dec. 4-6, 2005, International Conference, Russian-Jewish Culture, International Institute for the Study of East-European Jewry, Moscow.

Nov. 4-6, 2005, Annual Conference of the Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), Salt Lake City.

Jan. 9-12, 2005, International Conference, Russian-Jewish Culture in the 20th Century, Bar-Ilan University, (delivered in Russian).

Dec. 13-15, 2004. International Conference, Russian Literature in Israel, Hebrew University (delivered in Russian).

May, 3-5, 2004, International Conference, Jewish Responses to the Revolution of 1905: On the Retirement of Jonathan Frankel, Hebrew University.

Dec. 2004, Annual Conference of the Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Boston.

Dec. 2003, Annual Conference of the Association of Jewish Studies (AJS), Boston.

Sept. 2003, Klutznick Conference, Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

June 2003, Conference on Vasily Rozanov, University of Illinois.

Dec. 2002, Annual Conference of the AJS, Los Angeles, CA.

Dec. 2002, Annual Conference of the Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages (AATSEEL), New York.

July 2002, Conference of European Jewish Association, Amsterdam.

April 2002, Russian Center, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

Dec. 2001, Shimon Conference, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

Nov. 2001, Annual Conference of the AAASS, Silver City, Virginia.

March 2001, International Conference devoted to Shimon An-sky, Stanford University.

Jan. 2001, Seminar für Osteuropäische Geschichte, Heidelberg.

Nov. 2000, Seminar für Osteuropäische Geschichte, Heidelberg.

Nov. 2000, Summet du Yiddish, Conseil de l'Europe, Strasbourg.

Sept. 2000, "Polonophilia and Polonophobia of the Russians," Indiana Univ., Bloomington, IN.

August 2000, VI World Congress for Central and East European Studies, Tampere, Finland.

April 2000, "Negotiating Cultural Upheavals Conference," Ohio State Univ., Columbus, OH.

Institutional Grants Won

American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise (AICE) Conference Grant, 2008.

National Foundation for Jewish Culture Schusterman Jewish Studies Teacher Grant, 2008.

Center for Secular Judaism-Posen Foundation, 2007.

American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise (AICE), 2007-2009.

Lucius N. Littauer Library Grant, 2004.

Honors and Awards

Phase II Research Fellowship, Tulane University, 2007.

Yad Hanadiv/Beracha Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 2001.

Alexander Von Humboldt Fellowship at University of Heidelberg 2000/2002.

William J. Fulbright Minority Studies Fellowship in Kiev, Ukraine 2000.

Research Council, University of Nebraska Summer Research Fellowship, 1998.

Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of Antisemitism, Hebrew University, 1998.

IREX, International Research and Exchange Board Long-Term Grant for Research in St. Petersburg, Russia (10 months), 1996-1997.

Hoover Institution Summer Research Fellowship, Stanford University, 1996.

Research Council, University of Nebraska Research Fellowship, 1996.

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars: Kennan Institute Long-Term Post-Doctoral Research Scholarship, 1993-1994.

IREX International Research and Exchange Board Short-Term Grant for Research in Russia, 1994.

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Dissertation Research Fellowship, 1991-1992.

Lady Davis Dissertation-Research Fellowship for study at Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel, 1990-1991.

University of California Young Faculty Exchange with Leningrad State University for study at Leningrad State University, 1989-1990.

Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Writing Fellowship at the University of California, Berkeley, 1989.

Teaching Experience at Tulane University

Courses for Jewish Studies:

Introduction to Jewish Civilization

Modern Jewish History

The Holocaust in Literature and Cinema

Jewish Identity in Modern Culture: Diaspora, Religion, Culture

Women in Judaism

Zionism: Ideology and Politics

Power in Jewish History

Courses for German and Slavic Department:
 Dostoevsky and Tolstoy
 Russia's Epistolary Tradition (taught in Russian)
 Beginning Russian

Course for TIDES:
 Religion in the Media: Freshmen Seminar

Courses for Master of Liberal Arts:
 Masterworks of Literature I
 Masterworks of Literature II
 Love and Marriage in Western Literature
 War And Conflict in World Literature

Served on PhD Committees, 2008, 2006.
 Directed Masters Theses, 2008, 2006, 2004.
 Directed Senior Theses, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008.
 Served on a Masters Committee, 2007.

Teaching Experience at the University of Nebraska

Modern Languages 234D	European Fiction
Modern Languages 232	The Jewish Idea in European Lit.
Modern Languages 454/854	Anti-Semitism in Russia and the West
Modern Languages 198	The Image of the Jew in Russian Literature
Modern Languages 398	The Holocaust in Lit. and Film
Russian 101, 102	First Year Russian
Russian 201, 202	Second Year Russian
Russian 301, 302	Representative Authors
Russian 303, 304	Advanced Conversation and Composition
Russian 398	Special Topics in Russian
Russian 441	Russian Novel
Russian 442	Russian Poetry
Russian 454/854	Russian Intellectual Tradition
Russian 482	Russian Literature in Translation 1
Russian 483	Russian Literature in Translation II
Modern Languages 198	Special Topics: Russian Culture through Cinema
Modern Languages 234D	Literature of Eastern Europe
Honors 198H	Alexander Pushkin and Russia's Golden Age

Teaching Awards

Recognized by the Sophomore Class of 2006-07 as "One of the Most Highly Regarded Professors at Tulane University."
 Tulane, Suzanne and Stephen Weiss Presidential Teaching Fellowships, finalist, 2008, 2007.
 University of Nebraska Arts and Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award, 2000.
 University of Nebraska Parents and Teachers Association Teaching Award, 2000, 1999.

Administrative Experience:

Director of Jewish Studies Program, Tulane University, 2003-present.

Chair of German and Slavic Studies Department, Tulane University, 2007-present.
Senator of the University Senate (elected), Tulane University, 2007-present.
Senate Committee on Faculty Tenure, Freedom, and Responsibility, Tulane University, 2007-present.
Member of the Curriculum Committee (elected) Tulane University, 2004-2008.
Headed four successful searches for faculty at Tulane University.
Member of the Executive Board of the Norman and Bernice Harris Center for Judaic Studies, University of Nebraska (elected), 1994-1997.
Member of the Curriculum Committee (elected) Harris Center for Judaic Studies, Univ. of Nebraska, 1998-1999; 1994-1996.
Program Director of the Norman and Bernice Harris Center, 1994-1996.

Organized symposium, Odessa and New Orleans, Nov. 18, 2007.
Organized symposium, Commemoration of Theodor Herzl's Death, March 18, 2006.

Organized University Lectures:

Pamela Barmash, 2004, Abraham Greenbaum, 2004, John Klier, 2004, István Deák, 2004, Anita Shapira, 2005, Gabriella Safran, 2005, Steven Zipperstein, 2005, Wayne Horowitz, 2006, Jan Gross, 2006, David Stern, 2007, Ilan Troen, 2007, Derek Penslar, 2008, David Biale, 2008.

Grants for Jewish Studies at Tulane

American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise Conference Grant, 2009.
Schusterman Foundation Jewish Studies Teacher Grant, 2008-10.
Center for Secular Judaism-Posen Foundation, 2007-09.
American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise, Schusterman Visiting Israeli Professor, 2007-10.
Lucius N. Littauer Library Grant, 2004.

Public Talks

Sept. 2008, Melton School, Adult Education, "A. B. Yehoshua."
Jan. 2005, Series of Three Lectures for New Orleans Lehrhaus, Adult Education Program, "Historiography of Zionism."
Jan. 2004, Series of Three Lectures for New Orleans Lehrhaus, Adult Education Program, "Zionism, New Perspectives."
May 2004, Gates of Prayer Temple, "Jewish Studies at Tulane."
Dec. 2003, Shir Hadash Synagogue, "Jewish Science."
Dec. 2003, Newcomb Nursery, "Hanukah."
Nov. 2003, Touro Synagogue, New Orleans, "Russian-Jewish Diaspora."
Nov. 2003, Chabad House, New Orleans, "Maimonides."
Nov. 1999, Omaha B'nai-B'rith, "Tortured Oracle: Russian-Jewish Writers."
March 1999, Tifereth Synagogue, Lincoln, Nebraska, March 1999, "Russian Jews Today."
Nov. 1997, Tifereth Synagogue, Lincoln, Nebraska, "Russian-Jewish Intelligentsia."
Oct. 1995, Lincoln City Health and Human Services, "Russians and their Conceptions about Institutions of Health."
Nov. 1994, U. of Nebraska Department of Family Sciences, "Russian Culture Today."

Professional Activity

Series Editor of a Russian-Jewish Book Series in Slavica Press, 2006-present.

Member of the editorial board of:

Center for Intercultural Russian Studies, Bar-Ilan University, 2004-present.

Amsterdam International Journal of Cultural Narratology, 2004-present.

Shibboleth: A Journal on Jewish Literary Theory, 2007-present.

Menorah Review, 1999-present.

Advisory Board for student-run World Affairs Forum at Tulane University, 2003-2007

Reviewed book manuscripts for:

University of Washington Press, 2008.

Stanford University Press, 2007, 2008.

University of Toronto Press, 2007.

Northwestern University Press, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2007.

Wisconsin University Press, 2005

Rowman and Littlefield, 2004.

University of Nebraska Press, 1998.

Reviewed articles for:

Jews in Russia and Eastern Europe, 2007.

Pushkin Journal, 2005.

Slavic Review, 1998, 2001, 2006.

Slavic and East European Journal, 1998, 2001.

Studies in Twentieth Century Literature, 1998-99.

Canadian Slavonic Papers, 1997.

Evaluated scholarship applicants for Council of American Overseas Research Centers, 2008.

Member of the Program Committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), 2006-2007.

Evaluation of tenure and promotion case for Kalamazoo University, 2008, Northwestern University, 2006

Evaluation of scholarship proposals for National Foundation of Jewish Culture, 2005.

Memberships

American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies

American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages

Association of Jewish Studies

National Yiddish Book Center

YIVO Institute for Jewish Research