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EDUCATION

- PhD in History, Harvard University (Modern Jewish, Modern European), 1981
- AM in History, Harvard University, 1975
- AB, History and Literature, *summa cum laude*, Harvard University, 1973

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Gloria M. Goldstein Professor of Jewish History and Thought Washington University in St. Louis	1998-present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joint appointment in the Department of History and the Department of Jewish, Islamic, and Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (JINELC)• Chair, Department of Jewish, Islamic and Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, 2012-2015 and 2018-present• Director of Graduate Studies, Jewish, Islamic and Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, 2011-2012• Chair, Department of History, 2004-2009• Director, Jewish, Islamic and Near Eastern Studies Program, 1998-2004 (Merged into JINELC in 2011)	
Professor of History and Samuel and Althea Stroum Professor of Jewish Studies University of Washington, Seattle	1997-1998
Associate Professor, Dept. of History and Jackson School of International Studies University of Washington, Seattle	1987-1997
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair, Jewish Studies Program, University of Washington, 1985-1994	
Assistant Professor, Dept. of History and Jackson School of International Studies University of Washington, Seattle	1985-1987
Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, and Fellow of the Tauber Institute for the Study of European Jewry Brandeis University	1982-1985
Assistant Professor, Dept. of History and School of International Studies University of Washington	1980-1982
Junior Fellow Society of Fellows, Harvard University	1977-1980
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Visiting Professor University of Vilnius, Lithuania	November 2016
Visiting Professor La Universidad Hebraica, Mexico City	November 2009
Visiting Professor École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris	May-June 2003

Primo Levi Fellow, Center for Advanced Judaic Studies University of Pennsylvania	Fall 2002
Lady Davis Visiting Professor Faculty of the Humanities, Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Spring 1997
Visiting Professor, Rothberg School for Overseas Students The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Summer 1992
Visiting Scholar, Institute of Contemporary Jewry; and Visiting Senior Research Fellow Center for the Study of Central European Jewry (Dinur Institute) The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	1988-1989

EDITORSHIPS

- Editor (with Martin S. Jaffe), *AJS Review: The Journal of the Association for Jewish Studies* (2003-2008)
- Editor and Contributor, *The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*, edited by Gershon D. Hundert (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008): author of six, and principal editor of 130, articles
- Guest Editor, *Contemporary Jewry*, Vol. 24 (2004)
- Academic Advisory Board
 - *The Posen Library of Jewish Culture and Civilization, Volume 6: 1750-1880*, edited by Elisheva Carlebach
 - *The Posen Library of Jewish Culture and Civilization, Volume 8: 1919-1939*, edited by Todd M. Endelman and Zvi Gitelman
- Consultant
 - *The Posen Library of Jewish Culture and Civilization, Volume 7: 1880-1918*, edited by Israel Bartal and Kenneth Moss.

GUEST LECTURESHIPS

- Guest Lecturer. Birkbeck, University of London and Jewish Museum. "Blood Inscriptions: Science, Modernity, and Ritual Murder in *Fin de Siècle* Europe." June 2016.
- Keynote Lecturer. International Conference: *Jewish Soldiers in the Collective Memory of Central Europe: The Remembrance of World War I from a Jewish Perspective*, University of Graz, Austria, May 2016. "Shatter Zones: The Trauma of War and the Reconfiguration of Jewish Identities in Central Europe."
- Keynote Lecturer. International Conference on Czech-Jewish and Polish-Jewish Studies, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, October 2014.
- Keynote Lecturer. International Symposium on *The Blood Libel in Eastern Europe: Culture, Politics, and Beliefs*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, October 2014. "Yahrzeits, Condolences, and other Close Encounters: Neighborly Relations and Ritual Murder Accusations in Germany and Austria—Hungary."
- Guest Lecturer. Annual Conference, Church of the Brethren, St. Louis. "Jews as a Religious Minority in America." July 2012.
- Keynote Lecturer. First Annual Conference of the Prague Centre for Jewish Studies, Charles University, Prague, October 2012.
- Guest Lecturer. Central European University, Budapest, Hungary. "Tiszaeszlár and Beyond: A Phenomenology of the Modern Ritual Murder Trial." October 2010
- Keynote Lecturer. Palacký University, Olomouc, Czech Republic, Conference on Jewish Enlightenment in the Czech Lands in European Perspective, May 2008
- Keynote Lecturer. Vanderbilt University Workshop: "Reflections on Czernowitz 100 Years Later," March 2008

- Guest Lecturer. Sixth Annual Czech Cultural Studies Workshop, University of Michigan, 2005
- Guest Lecturer (with Jonathan Frankel). Joseph and Rebecca Meyerhoff Lecture, University of Pennsylvania, 2002
- Guest Lecturer and Course Director (with Michael K. Silber). "Integration and Distinctiveness in Multinational Settings: Jews in Eastern Europe, 1700-1989," Central European University, Budapest, 1998
- Guest Lecturer. University of California, Los Angeles, "Great European Jewish Cities in the Modern Age" Series, 1998
- Guest Lecturer. CIEE Central European Studies Program, Charles University, Prague, 1996
- Guest Lecturer. Seminar on Czech Jewish History, Jewish Museum of Prague, 1996
- Guest Lecturer. Spiegel Lecture in European Jewish History, Tel-Aviv University, 1989
- Guest Lecturer. The Annual Joseph and Margaret Fettman Lecture, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1989

AREAS OF TEACHING and COURSES TAUGHT

Jewish History (medieval, early modern, modern):

- Introduction to Jewish Civilization: History and Identity
- Crusade, Conflict, and Coexistence: Jews in Christian Europe
- Becoming "Modern": Emancipation, Antisemitism, and Nationalism in Modern Jewish History
- Out of the *Shtetl*: Jewish Life in Central and Eastern Europe in the 19th and 20th Centuries
- The Holocaust: History and Memory
- A People Apart? Jewish Identity in an Age of Nationalism (freshman seminar)
- The "Jewish Question": Emancipation, Antisemitism, and Jewish-Christian Confrontation in Europe (advanced seminar)

European and Comparative/Cultural History:

- Antisemitism and Islamophobia: A Comparative Perspective (capstone seminar)
- Vienna, Prague, Budapest: Politics, Culture and Identity in Central Europe
- Blood and Sacred Bodies: Ritual Murder and Host Desecration Accusations from Medieval to Modern Europe (advanced seminar)
- Autobiography and History (freshman seminar)
- Diaspora in Jewish and Islamic Experience (advanced seminar)
- History and Memory in the European Past (graduate seminar)
- "Habsburg" Central Europe (graduate seminar)
- Comparative Ethnicity and Nationalism (graduate seminar)

LANGUAGES

English (native language); Hebrew (Biblical, rabbinic, and modern); French; German; Czech; reading knowledge of Hungarian and Yiddish.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Formování českého židovstva: Národnostní konflikt a židovská společnost v Čechách 1870-1918. Prague: Paseka, 2012.
[Czech translation of *The Making of Czech Jewry*, with a new foreword by the author.]

Languages of Community: The Jewish Experience in the Czech Lands. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press, 2000.

The Making of Czech Jewry: National Conflict and Jewish Society in Bohemia, 1870-1918. New York: Oxford University Press, 1988.

Manuscripts in Progress

Blood Inscriptions: Science, Modernity, and Ritual Murder in Fin de Siècle Europe. Monograph investigating the surprising reappearance of trials against Jews for “ritual murder” in Central Europe at the turn of the century and their connection to scientific culture. Under contract with the University of Pennsylvania Press, to be published in 2020.

Prague and Beyond: Jews in the Bohemian Lands. A new, social and cultural history of one of Central Europe’s largest and most important Jewish communities. Co-edited with Czech historian Kateřina Čápková. Currently under review with a major university press. A German edition to be published by Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, and a Czech edition by Nakladatelství Lidové Noviny. Hebrew edition also in progress.

Current Project

The Political Life of a Sacred Text: The Talmud, Citizenship, and Jewish Identity in Modern Europe. Book project, which focuses on three, related, cultural behaviors of the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries: Gentile discussions of Jewish sociability and morality from the perspective of the rabbinic textual tradition; Jewish responses to this questioning of rabbinic culture (in the form of apologetics, court challenges, and self-distancing); and social practices of reading, study, and transmission.

Articles and Essays

“Unequal Mobility: Jews, State, and Society in an Era of Contradictions, 1800-1867,” in *Prague and Beyond: Jews in the Bohemian Lands*, edited by Kateřina Čápková and Hillel J. Kieval. (MS currently under review; Czech, German, and Hebrew editions in preparation.)

“Conflict Zones: Empire, War, and Jewish Destinies in East Central Europe,” in *Jewish Soldiers in the Collective Memory of Central Europe: The Remembrance of World War I from a Jewish Perspective*, edited by Gerald Lamprecht, Eleonore Lappin-Eppel, and Ulrich Wyrwa (Vienna and Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, forthcoming 2019).

“*Yahrzeits*, Condolences, and Other Close Encounters: Neighborly Relations and Ritual Murder Trials in Germany and Austria-Hungary,” in: *Ritual Murder in Russia, Eastern Europe, and Beyond: New Histories of an Old Accusation*, ed. Eugene M. Avrutin, Jonathan Dekel-Chen, and Robert Weinberg. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2017, pp. 110-129.

“Prag ha-yehudit, prag ha-notsrit, voha-tirah ba-‘tor ha-zahav’ shel ha-‘ir,” [Jewish Prague, Christian Prague, and the Castle in the City’s “Golden Age”] in Elchanan Reiner, ed., *Maharal: Akdamot. Pirkei Hayim, Mishneh, Hashpa‘ah* [Maharal: Overtures. Biography, Doctrine, Influence]. Jerusalem: Merkaz Zalman Shazar, 2015, pp. 17-29.

“Afterword: European Antisemitism—the Search for a Pattern,” in: *Sites of European Antisemitism in the Age of Mass Politics, 1880-1918*, edited by Robert Nemes and Daniel Unowsky. Tauber Institute Series for the Study of European Jewry. Lebanon, NH: UPNE/Brandeis University Press, 2014, pp. 255-263.

“Polná’s Shadow: The Hilsner Affair and the Problem of Jewish Integration in the Bohemian Lands,” in: *Jewish Studies in the 21st Century: Prague—Europe—World*, edited by Marcela Zoufalá. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2014, pp. 131-141.

“Jews as a Religious Minority in America: The Challenges and Risks of Integration,” *Brethren Life and Thought* 58:2 (Fall 2013): 1-8.

“The Rules of the Game: Forensic Medicine and the Language of Science in the Structuring of Modern Ritual Murder Trials,” *Jewish History* 26 (2012): 287-307. DOI: 10.1007/s10835-012-9165-3.

“Imperial Embraces and Ethnic Challenges: The Politics of Jewish Identity in the Bohemian Lands,” *Sbofár: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 30, no. 4 (Summer 2012): 1-17.

“The Unforeseen Consequences of Cultural Resistance: Haskalah and State-Mandated Reform in the Bohemian Lands,” *Jewish Culture and History* 13, nos. 2-3 (2012): 108-123. Special issue: Jewish Enlightenment in the Czech Lands. DOI:10.1080/1462169X.2012.729970.

“Jewish Prague, Christian Prague, and the Castle in the City’s ‘Golden Age,’” *Jewish Studies Quarterly* 18 (2011): 202-215.

“Foreword” to: *Dialog myšlenkových proudů středověkého judaismu: Mezi izolací a integrací* [Dialogue of the Intellectual Streams of Medieval Judaism: Between Isolation and Integration], edited by Jiřina Šedinová, et al. Prague: Academia, 2011.

“Negotiating Czechoslovakia: The Challenges of Jewish Citizenship in a Multiethnic Nation-State,” in: *Insiders and Outsiders: Dilemmas of East European Jewry*, edited by Richard I. Cohen, Jonathan Frankel and Stefani Hoffman. Oxford: Littman Library of Jewish Civilization, 2010, pp. 103-119.

The YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe edited by Gershon D. Hundert (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008). Essays on:

- “Blood Libels and Host Desecration Accusations”
- “Bohemia and Moravia”
- “Golem Legend”
- “Hilsner Affair”
- “Historiography in the Bohemian Lands”
- “Tiszaeszlár Blood Libel”

“Pursuing the Golem of Prague: Jewish Culture and the Invention of a Tradition” [revised], in: *New Harvest: Jewish Writing in St. Louis 1998-2005*, edited by Howard E. Schwartz. St. Louis: Brodsky Library Press, 2006.

“Choosing to Bridge: Revisiting the Phenomenon of Jewish Cultural Mediation,” *Bohemia: A Journal of History and Civilization in East Central Europe* 46/1 (2005): 15-27.

“Neighbors, Strangers, Readers: The Village and the City in Jewish-Gentile Conflict at the Turn of the Nineteenth Century,” *Jewish Studies Quarterly*, 12 (2005): 61-79.

“Ritual Murder (Modern),” in: *Antisemitism: A Historical Encyclopedia of Prejudice and Persecution*, edited by Richard S. Levy. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2005, II: 605-608.

“The Lands Between: The Jews of Bohemia, Moravia and Slovakia to 1918,” *Slovo* (A Publication of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library) 5, no. 2 (Winter 2004/05): 9-13.

An adaptation and abridgment of the 1990 essay listed below.

“Introduction: Jewish Experiences of America,” *Contemporary Jewry*, 24 (2004). (Special issue devoted to the 350th anniversary of Jewish life in the United States.)

- "Imagining 'Masculinity' in the Jewish Fin de Siècle," in: *Jews and Gender: The Challenge to Hierarchy*, edited by Jonathan Frankel. *Studies in Contemporary Jewry*, 16. New York: Oxford University Press, 2000, pp. 142-155.
- "Antisemitism and the City: A Beginner's Guide," in: *People of the City: Jews and the Urban Challenge*, edited by Ezra Mendelsohn. *Studies in Contemporary Jewry*, 15. New York: Oxford University Press, 1999, pp. 3-18.
- "Texts and Contest: Myth, Community, and Conflict in Nineteenth Century Bohemia," in: *History and Memory: Essays in Honor of Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi*, edited by Elisheva Carlebach, John Efron, and David Myers. Hanover and London: University Press of New England, 1998, pp. 348-68.
- "Un Salon à Prague," *Les Cahiers du Judaïsme* 1, no. 1 (Spring 1998): 4-13.
- "The Importance of Place: Comparative Aspects of the Ritual Murder Trial in Modern Central Europe," in: *Comparing Jewish Societies*, edited by Todd M. Endelman. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 1997, pp. 135-165.
- "Middleman Minorities and Blood: Is there a Natural Economy of the Ritual Murder Accusation in Europe?" in: *Essential Outsiders: Chinese and Jews in the Modern Transformation of Southeast Asia and Central Europe*, edited by Daniel Chirot and Anthony Reid. Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1997, pp. 208-233.
- "Pursuing the Golem of Prague: Jewish Culture and the Invention of a Tradition," *Modern Judaism* 17 (1997): 1-23.
- "Death and the Nation: Jewish Ritual Murder as Political Discourse in the Czech Lands," *Jewish History* 10, no. 1 (Spring 1996): 75-91.
- An earlier version appeared in Maurice Godé, Jacques Le Rider, and Françoise Mayer, eds., *Allemands, Juifs et Tchèques à Prague de 1890 à 1924*. Actes du Colloque de Montpellier, Décembre 1994. Montpellier: Études Germaniques et Centre-Européennes, 1996, pp. 83-99.
- "Antisémitisme ou Savoir Social? Sur la genèse du procès moderne pour meurtre rituel," *Annales: Histoire, Sciences Sociales* 49 (1994): 1091-1105.
- "Representation and Knowledge in Medieval and Modern Accounts of Jewish Ritual Murder," *Jewish Social Studies: History, Culture, Society, New Series*, 1 (1994-95): 52-72.
- "La Vie de la Communauté juive en Pologne au XVIIIe Siècle (note critique)," *Annales: Histoire, Sciences Sociales* 49 (1994): 671-680.
- "Jews, Czechs, and Germans in Bohemia Before 1914," in: *Austrians and Jews in the Twentieth Century: From Franz Joseph to Waldheim*, edited by Robert S. Wistrich. New York: St. Martin's Press; London: Macmillan Press, 1992, pp. 19-37.
- "The Social Vision of Bohemian Jews: Intellectuals and Community in the 1840s," in: *Assimilation and Community: The Jews in Nineteenth-Century Europe*, edited by Jonathan Frankel and Steven Zipperstein. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1992, pp. 246-283.
- Awarded the Stanley Z. Pech Prize, for best article in Czech or Slovak history, by the Czechoslovak Studies Association, 1994.

"The Lands Between: The Jews of Bohemia, Moravia and Slovakia to 1918," in: *Where Cultures Meet: The Story of the Jews of Czechoslovakia*, edited by Natalia Berger. Tel Aviv: Beth Hatefutsoth / Ministry of Defence, 1990, pp. 23-51.

- Hebrew edition: "Artsot ha-beinayim: yehudei bohemia, moravia, ve-slovakia `ad 1918," in: *Mifgash tarbuti: Sipuram shel yehudei tshechoslovakia*, edited by Natalia Berger. Tel Aviv: Beth Hatefutsoth and Ministry of Defence Publishing House, 1991, pp. 25-51.
- Czech edition: "Země mezi: čeští, moravští a slovenští Židé," in: *Na křižovatce kultur: Historie československých Židů* edited by Natalia Bergerová. Prague: Mladá Fronta, 1992, pp. 23-52.
- German edition: "Die Länder dazwischen: Die Juden in Böhmen, Mähren und der Slowakei bis 1918," in: *Wo sich Kulturen begegnen: Die Geschichte der tschechoslowakischen Juden*, edited by Natalia Berger. Prague: Mladá Fronta, 1992, pp. 23-52.
- Also translated and reprinted in: *Das Jüdische Museum in Prag: Von schönen Gegenständen und ihren Besitzern*, edited by Edna Brocke and Michael Zimmermann. Bonn: J.H.W. Dietz, 1991, pp. 38-59.

"Masaryk and Czech Jewry: The Ambiguities of Friendship," in: *T. G. Masaryk (1850-1937): Thinker and Politician*, edited by Stanley B. Winters. London: Macmillan; New York: St. Martin's, 1990, pp. 302-327.

"Caution's Progress: The Modernization of Jewish Life in Prague, 1780-1830," in: *Toward Modernity: The European Jewish Model*, edited by Jacob Katz. New Brunswick, N.J.: Transaction Books, 1987, pp. 71-105.

"Education and National Conflict in Bohemia: Germans, Czechs, and Jews," in: *Jews and Other Ethnic Groups in a Multi-Ethnic World*, edited by Ezra Mendelsohn. Studies in Contemporary Jewry, 3. New York: Oxford University Press, 1987, pp. 49-71.

"Nationalism and Antisemitism: The Czech-Jewish Response," in: *Living With Antisemitism: Modern Jewish Responses*, edited by Jehuda Reinharz. Hanover and London: University Press of New England, 1987, pp. 210-233.

"In the Image of Hus: Refashioning Czech Judaism in Post-Emancipatory Prague," *Modern Judaism* 5 (1985): 141-157.

"Autonomy and Interdependence: The Historical Legacy of Czech Jewry," in: *The Precious Legacy: Judaic Treasures from the Czechoslovak State Collections*, edited by David Altshuler. New York: Summit Books, 1983, pp. 46-109.

"Legality and Resistance in Vichy France: The Rescue of Jewish Children," *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society* 124 (1980): 339-366.

Book Reviews and Review Essays

Review of Martin Goodman, *A History of Judaism*. *Reading Religion* (22 September 2018). [Online Journal of the American Academy of Religion.]

Review of Todd M. Endelman, *Leaving the Jewish Fold: Conversion and Radical Assimilation in Modern Jewish History*. *Jewish History* 30, no. 3 (December 2016): 303-306. DOI: 10.1007/s10835-017-9272-2.

- Featured Review: "The Last Trial." Review of Edmund Levin, *A Child of Christian Blood: Murder and Conspiracy in Tsarist Russia: The Beilis Blood Libel* and Robert Weinberg, *Blood Libel in Late Imperial Russia: The Ritual Murder Trial of Mendel Beilis*. *AJS Review* 40, no. 1 (2016): 145-149. DOI: 10.1017/S0364009416000088.
- Review of Jan Láníček, *Czechs, Slovaks and the Jews, 1938-48: Beyond Idealisation and Condemnation*. *American Historical Review* (2015).
- Review of Martina Niedhammer, *Nur eine "Geld-Emancipation"? Loyalitäten und Lebenswelten des Prager jüdischen Großbürgertums 1800-1867*. *Bohemia. Zeitschrift für Geschichte und Kultur der böhmischen Länder. A Journal of History and Civilisation in East Central Europe* 54, no. 2 (2014): 468-471.
- Review of Michael Laurence Miller, *Rabbis and Revolution: The Jews of Moravia in the Age of Emancipation*. *Slavic Review* 72 (2013): 141-142. DOI: 10.5612/slavicreview.72.1.0141.
- Review of Michal Frankl, "Emancipation od židů": český antisemitismus na konci 19. století ["Emancipation from the Jews": Czech Antisemitism at the End of the Nineteenth Century]. *Judaica Bohemica* 44, 1 (2009): 141-143.
- Review of Hugh Agnew, *The Czechs and Lands of the Bohemian Crown*. *Austrian History Yearbook* 39 (2008): 179-180.
- "Transforming Rabbinic Culture in Germany." Review of Carsten Wilke, "Den Talmud und den Kant": *Rabbinerausbildung an der Schwelle zur Moderne*. H-NET BOOK REVIEW. Published by H-German@h-net-msu.edu (June 2007).
- Review of Ian Reifowitz, *Imagining an Austrian Nation: Joseph Samuel Bloch and the Search for a Multiethnic Austrian Identity, 1846-1919*. *Austrian History Yearbook* 37 (2006): 243-244.
- "Literature, History, and Territoriality in Prague Jewish Culture." Review of Scott Spector, *Prague Territories: National Conflict and Cultural Innovation in Franz Kafka's Fin de Siecle*. H-NET BOOK REVIEW (October 2002).
- Review of Jonathan Frankel, *The Damascus Affair: 'Ritual Murder,' Politics, and the Jews in 1840*. *AJS Review* 25 (2000/2001): 137-142.
- Review of Tomáš Pěkný, *Historie Židů v Čechách a na Moravě* [History of the Jews in Bohemia and Moravia]. *Austrian History Yearbook* 30 (1999).
- "'Fantasy' and 'Reality' in Modern Antisemitism," *Studies in Contemporary Jewry*, 12 (1997).
- Review of Ben-Cion Pinchuk, *Shtetl Jews under Soviet Rule: Eastern Poland on the Eve of the Holocaust*. *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* (1994).
- Review of Gershon David Hundert, *Jews in a Polish Private Town: The Case of Opatów in the Eighteenth Century*. *American Historical Review* (October, 1993), pp. 1289-1290.
- Review of Gerald Stourzh, *Die Gleichberechtigung der Nationalitäten in der Verfassung und Verwaltung Österreichs, 1848-1918*. *Journal of Modern History* 64 (1992): 177-180.

Review of Rolf Fischer, *Entwicklungsstufen des Antisemitismus in Ungarn 1867-1939: Die Zerstörung der magyarisch-jüdischen Symbiose*. *American Historical Review* 96 (1991): 1236-1237.

Review of Robert Liberles, *Religious Conflict in Social Context: The Resurgence of Orthodox Judaism in Frankfurt am Main, 1838-1877*. *AJS Review* 14 (1989): 88-91.

Review of Gary B. Cohen, *The Politics of Ethnic Survival: Germans in Prague, 1861-1914*. *Studies in Contemporary Jewry*, Vol. 1 (Bloomington, 1984), pp. 424-427.

"The Bluff that Came Off?" *The American Scholar* (Spring, 1979). Review essay on the European resistance to Nazism.

"Confession of Friendship," *The American Scholar* (Summer, 1978). Review of Franz Kafka, *Letters to Friends, Family, and Editors*.

CONFERENCE PAPERS and PUBLIC LECTURES

"Tracherous Scripture: Talking Talmud in Vienna." *Torture, Abuse & Desecration in the Name of Religion*. Conference: Brown University, May 2017.

"Modernity, Science, and Ritual Murder: Toward a Phenomenology of 'Modern' Ritual Murder Trials." *The Blood Libel Then and Now: The Enduring Impact of an Imaginary Event*. Conference: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, New York, October 2016.

"Learning the Language of Science: Disciplining the Modern Ritual Murder Trial." International Workshop: *Blood Libels from the Middle Ages to the Modern World*. Pears Institute for the Study of Antisemitism; Birkbeck, University of London. June 2016.

"Blood Inscriptions: Science, Modernity, and Ritual Murder in *Fin de Siècle* Europe." Birkbeck, University of London and Jewish Museum. June 2016.

"Empire, Emancipation, and the Invention of Ethnicity: The Jews of Austria-Hungary, 1867-1914." *Habsburg Jewry in the Silver Age: Conference in Honor of Michael K. Silber*. Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, June 2016.

"Shatter Zones: The Trauma of War and the Reconfiguration of Jewish Identities in Central Europe." Keynote Lecture, International Conference: *Jewish Soldiers in the Collective Memory of Central Europe: The Remembrance of World War I from a Jewish Perspective*, University of Graz, Austria, May 2016.

"1899: A Year of Living Dangerously." International Workshop: *Remnants of the Past or Laboratories of Modernity? The Political Jewish Communities of Moravia after 1848 and their Archival Sources*. Palacký University, Olomouc, Czech Republic, May 2016.

"Blood Inscriptions: Science, Modernity, and Ritual Murder in *Fin de Siècle* Europe." Tel Aviv University, April 2016.

"The First World War and a Jewish Homeland, 1914-1921: War, Demographic Crisis, and Nationality Politics." Congregation Kol Rinah, St. Louis, MO. November 2014.

- “Czech-Jewish and Polish-Jewish History: Possibilities for a New Paradigm.” Keynote Lecture. International Conference on Czech-Jewish and Polish-Jewish Studies, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, October 2014.
- “Yahrzeits, Condolences, and other Close Encounters: Neighborly Relations and Ritual Murder Accusations in Germany and Austria—Hungary.” Keynote Lecture. International Symposium on *The Blood Libel in Eastern Europe: Culture, Politics, and Beliefs*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, October 2014.
- “Language, Gender, and National Rapprochement: Max Brod’s *A Czech Servant Girl* Revisited.” International Conference: *Austrian, Jewish, German, Czech: Reframing Max Brod and Prague Zionism*, Jerusalem and Beer Sheva, May 2014.
- “Citizenship and Collective Identity in a Multi-Ethnic State: The Jews of Austria-Hungary, 1867-1914.” International Conference: *Parliaments and Minorities: Ethnicities, Nations and Religions in Europe, 1814-1918*. British Academy for the Humanities and Social Sciences, London, May 2014.
- Commentator for Panel on “The Beilis Case (1913).” Conference: *Governing Religion, Mobilizing Faith: Religion and Mass Politics in the Late Russian Empire*. New York University, Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, Hagop Kevorkian Center for Near Eastern Studies, and Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, October 2013.
- “Concluding Remarks: Three Strands of Anxiety.” International Conference: *Antisemitism in East Central Europe: Ideas, Politics, and Praxis of Jew-Hatred from a Comparative Perspective, ca. 1880-1939*. German Historical Institute, Warsaw, May 2013.
- “Polná’s Shadow: The Hilsner Affair and the Problem of Jewish Integration in the Bohemian Lands.”
- Keynote Paper. First Annual Conference of the Prague Centre for Jewish Studies, Charles University, Prague, October 2012.
 - Revised version delivered at the International Workshop: *The Border Within: The Internalization of Difference in Central Europe and the Middle East*. Tel Aviv University, April 2013.
- “Jews as a Religious Minority in America.” Annual Conference, Church of the Brethren, St. Louis, July 2012.
- “Imperial Embraces and Ethnic Challenges: The Politics of Jewish Identity.” Interdisciplinary Conference: *Reimagining Erwin Schulhoff, Viktor Ullmann & the German-Jewish-Czech World*, Arizona State University, March 2012.
- “Imperial Embraces and Ethnic Challenges: The Politics of Jewish Identity in the Bohemian Lands, 1867-1914.” Society for the History of Czechoslovak Jews; Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences, New York, February 2011.
- “Cosmopolitanism, Ethnicity, and Jewish Identity in Austria-Hungary, 1867-1914.” Association for Jewish Studies, Annual Meeting, Boston, December 2010.
- “Tiszaeszlár and Beyond: A Phenomenology of the Modern Ritual Murder Trial.” Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, October 2010.
- “Closing Remarks.” *Seminář Jan Neruda a Židé. Texty a kontexty* (Workshop on Jan Neruda and the Jews: Texts and Contexts). Czech Academy of Sciences, Institute for Czech Literature and Jewish Museum in Prague, October 2010.

“Jewish Prague, Christian Prague and the Castle in the City’s ‘Golden Age.’” International Conference: *Was There a ‘Golden Age’ of Christian-Jewish Relations?* Boston College, April 2010.

“Scientific Expertise and Jewish Danger: The *Modernity* of Europe’s Modern Ritual Murder Trials.” University of Texas at Austin, Department of History, Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies, and Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, March 2010.

- Also: Columbia University, University Seminar on Israel and Jewish Studies, November 2008.

“Pursuing the Golem of Prague: Jewish Culture and the Invention of a Tradition.” University of Memphis, January 2010.

“Social Conflict and Cultural Exchange in Maharal’s Prague.” Workshop: *Judah Loew and Jewish Life in Early Modern Prague*, Princeton University, December 2009.

“Sociální konflikty a kulturní výměna v Maharalové Praze” (Social Conflicts and Cultural Exchange in Maharal’s Prague). Třebíč/Trebitsch, Czech Republic. International Symposium: *Jedinec a Obec: Židé v Čechách, na Moravě a ve Slezsku, 1520-1848* (Individual and Community: Jews in Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia, 1520-1848), October 2009.

“Social Conflict and Cultural Exchange in Maharal’s Prague.” Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, International Conference: *The Maharal of Prague – 400 Years since His Death*, August 2009.

“Jewish ‘Ritual Murder’ and the Language of Science: The Struggle over Tiszaeszlár.” International Workshop: *Hungarian Jewry: Politics and Modernization*. Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv University, May 2008.

“The Jews of the Bohemian Lands in the History of the Haskalah.” Keynote Lecture, International Conference: *Jewish Enlightenment in the Czech Lands in European Perspective*, Palacký University, Olomouc, Czech Republic, May 2008.

“Imagining the Jewish Cultural Nation in Europe: From the 1905 Revolution to the First World War.” Keynote Lecture, Vanderbilt University Workshop: *Reflections on Czernowitz 100 Years Later*, March 2008.

“A Gate in Jerusalem: Anatomy of a Conflict.” Washington University, Colorado Regional Cabinet, April 2007.

“Jewish ‘Ritual Murder’ and the Language of Science: Observations from the Modern Trials.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, San Diego, December 2006.

“Enlightenment and Emancipation: What Makes Us Free?” Master of Liberal Arts Saturday Seminar Series, University College, Washington University in St. Louis, February 2006.

“Jewish Cultures in Czechoslovakia: Language, Citizenship, and Identity in the Nation-State.” International Conference: *Insiders, Outsiders and Modern East European Jewry*, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, January 2006.

“The Talmud in the Court of Public Opinion: A Jewish Dilemma in Modern Europe.” Amherst College, May 2005.

“Choosing to Bridge: Revisiting the Phenomenon of Jewish Cultural Mediation in the Bohemian Lands.”
Keynote Lecture. *Sixth Annual Czech Cultural Studies Workshop*, University of Michigan, April 2005.

“Choosing to Bridge: Rethinking the Phenomenon of Cultural Mediation.” *From the Mahabar to Masaryk: An International Workshop on Czech Jewish History*, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, May 2004.

“Mendelssohn, Lessing, and Friends: The Promise and Perils of Jewish Modernity.” Washington University,
Olin Library, Special Collections, April 2004.

“Choosing to Bridge: Czechs and Jews in the Project of Cultural Mediation.” *Bard Music Festival*, Bard
College, August 2003.

“Jewish Modernity in East Central Europe: Urban Spaces, Ethnic Conflict, and Cultural Innovation.” Cycle
of four lectures. École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, May-June 2003.

“The ‘Ritual Murder’ Trial in Modern Europe: Its Novelty and Iconography.”

- University of California, San Diego, March 2003.
- Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania, December 2002.

"Trials Against Jews for 'Ritual Murder' in Modern East Central Europe: A Historical Puzzle," University of
Pittsburg, November 2002.

"Prague, Vienna, and Budapest: The City in the Modern Jewish Experience," University of Pittsburgh,
November 2002.

"A Medieval Accusation Made Modern: Reassessing 'Ritual Murder' in Jewish History" (with Jonathan
Frankel), University of Pennsylvania, October 2002.

"Neighbors, Strangers, Readers: Rural and Urban Patterns in Jewish-Gentile Conflict at the Turn of the
Century," Princeton University, April 2002.

"On Gender and Jewish History: Boyarin and After," World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, August
2001.

"The Ritual Murder Trial in Modern Jewish History," University of Oklahoma, March 2000.

"Of Boundaries, Centers, and Margins: Identities of Central Europe in the Nineteenth Century," American
Historical Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago, January 2000.

"Jewish Prague at the Turn of the Century," UCLA, May 1998.

"Gendered Visions: National Imaginings and the Jewish Fin-de-Siècle." Yale University, November 1997.

"Talking Back: The Dilemma of Jewish Intervention in the European Discourse of Ritual Murder."

- Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Dept. of Jewish History, May 1997.
- Ben-Gurion University, Beer Sheva, Dept. of History, June 1997.

"The Ritual Murder Trials of the Turn of the Century as a Site for Jewish History." Dartmouth College,
Dept. of History, March 1997.

- Washington University in St. Louis, Dept. of History, April 1997.

"Rewriting the Modern Ritual Murder Trial."

- Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley and Stanford University, Dept. of History and Jewish Studies Program, March 1996.
- Cornell University, Dept. of History, November 1996.

"Ritual Murder and Political Discourse: Jewish Participation in the Conflict over Meanings." International Conference: *Inside and Outside Central European Jewry: Borderlines and Interactions*, Leo Baeck Institute, Jerusalem, March 1995.

"Ritual Murder as Political Discourse in the Czech Lands." International Conference: *Germans, Jews, and Czechs in Prague, 1890-1924: A Conflictual Society*, Université Paul Valéry, Montpellier, France, December 1994.

"Communities on Trial. The Ritual Murder Accusation against Jews in Turn-of-the-Century Europe: Descriptions of Place and Time." University of Michigan, Center for Judaic Studies and Comparative Studies in Society and History, October 1994.

"Middleman Minorities and Blood: Is there a Natural Economy of the Ritual Murder Accusation in Europe?" *SSRC Conference on Minority Entrepreneurs and Modern Nationalism: Central Europe and Southeast Asia*. La Jolla, CA, January 1994.

- Center for Russian and East European Studies, University of Michigan, October 1994.

"Representation and Knowledge in Medieval and Modern Accounts of Jewish Ritual Murder." Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, November 1993.

"Pursuing the Golem of Prague: Jewish Culture and the Invention of a Tradition." Jewish Public Library/Beth Israel Beth Aaron Congregation, Montreal, Quebec, November 1993.

"Religion, Race, and Social Knowledge in Medieval and Modern Accounts of Jewish Ritual Murder." Association for Jewish Studies, Annual Meeting, Boston, 1992.

"Texts and Contest: Myth, Community, and Conflict in Nineteenth Century Bohemia." *Comparative Studies in Ethnicity and Nationalism Seminar*, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, 1992.

"Political Antisemitism and the Language of Ritual Murder: Tiszaeszlár and Beyond." American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago, 1991.

"Jewish Prague and the Legend of the Golem: Popular Culture Invents the Past." Humanities West, San Francisco, 1991.

"Reflections on the Ritual Murder Trial in Modern Europe." University of Pennsylvania, Dept. of History, 1991.

"Myth, Jews, and the Modern State: The Ritual Murder Trial in Central Europe (1882-1900)." Stanford University, Dept. of History; University of British Columbia, Dept. of Religion, 1990.

"Jews, Czechs, and Germans in Bohemia before 1914: Political Radicalization and the Jewish Response." International Conference: *Jews and Austrians in the Twentieth Century*, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1989.

- "Ritual Murder Trials in Austria-Hungary: Tiszaeszlár and Polná" (Hebrew). Annual Joseph and Margaret Fettman Lecture, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Ben-Zion Dinur Center, 1989.
- "Ritual Murder Trials in Central Europe at the Turn of the Century." Dept. of Political Science, Bar-Ilan University; Institute of Contemporary Jewry, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1989.
- "Czech Jewry in the Face of National Conflict and Social Modernization" (Hebrew). Dept. of Jewish History, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem; and *Spiegel Lecture in European Jewish History*, Tel-Aviv University, 1989.
- "Masaryk and Czech Jewry: The Dilemma of National Assimilation." *International Masaryk Conference*, University of London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, 1986.
- "The Second Stage: Acculturation among Habsburg Jewry, 1870-1914." American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, New York, 1985.
- "Cultural Change after Emancipation: The Case of Bohemia, 1870-1918." Jewish Studies Colloquium, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, 1985.
- "Zionism in Interwar Czechoslovakia: Social, Cultural, and Historical Influences." International Colloquium on *Zionism between the World Wars*. Institute of Contemporary Jewry, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1985.
- "The History of Jewish Prague: From Renaissance to Renaissance." Lecture, Boston Hebrew College, 1985.
- "Refashioning Czech Judaism in Post-Emancipatory Prague." American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 1983.
- "Between East and West: Cultural Change and Modernization in the Prague Jewish Community, 1780-1830." International Colloquium on *Jewish Modernization and the German-Jewish Model*, Leo Baeck Institute, Jerusalem, 1983.
- "Prague and the Villages: On the Social Origins of the Czech-Jewish Movement, 1875-1900." The Tauber Institute, Brandeis University, 1982.

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, and PRIZES

- Research Fellowship, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Jan-Jun 2010 (declined)
- International Activities Fund Grant, Washington University in St. Louis, October 2007
- Primo Levi Fellow, Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Fall 2002
- Skirball Visiting Fellowship, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, 1997 (declined)
- Stanley Z. Pech Award, for the best article in Czech or Slovak history, by the Czechoslovak Studies Association, 1994
- Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship, Joint Committee on Eastern Europe, ACLS / SSRC, 1992-1993
- Summer Research Grant, Keller Fund, Dept. of History, University of Washington, 1992

IREX (International Research and Exchanges Board) Fellowship to Czechoslovakia, 1990

American Council of Learned Societies Research Fellowship, 1988-1989

Research Grant, Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of Antisemitism, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (declined), 1988-1989

Graduate School Research Fellowship, University of Washington, 1985

Kenneth B. Smilen/"Present Tense" Literary Award for the category of general non-fiction (awarded to The Precious Legacy), 1983

IREX (International Research and Exchanges Board) Fellowship to Czechoslovakia, 1979

Junior Fellowship, Society of Fellows, Harvard University, 1977-1980

Augustus Clifford Tower Fellowship, Harvard University (for study at a French University), 1973-1974

Phi Beta Kappa, 1973

Center for European Studies, Harvard University, Summer Research Grant, 1972

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial and Advisory Boards

Editorial Board for the book series *Židé—Dějiny—Pamět* (Jews—History—Memory). Lidové noviny, Prague. 2014-present.

Academic Advisory Board for *The Posen Library of Jewish Culture and Civilization, Volume 6: 1750-1880*, edited by Elisheva Carlebach, and *Volume 8: 1919-1939*, edited by Todd M. Endelman and Zvi Gitelman.

Executive Committee, Washington University Center for the Humanities, 2013-2014

Review Committee on Faculty Personnel Procedures, Washington University, 2013-present

Advisory Committee on Programs, Washington University, Arts and Sciences, 2013-2014

Co-editor, *AJS Review: The Journal of the Association for Jewish Studies*, 2003-2008

Academic Advisory Board, CET Study Abroad in Prague, 2000-2017

Editorial Board, *Jewish Social Studies: History, Culture, and Society*, 1994-2014

International Editorial Board, *East European Jewish Affairs*, 1999-2014

International Editorial Advisory Committee, *Leo Baeck Institute Yearbook*, 1992-2010

Senior Academic Consultant, Diaspora Museum, Tel-Aviv, for the exhibition "Where Cultures Meet: The Story of the Jews of Czechoslovakia," 1988-1989

Consultant to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, Washington, D.C. To develop research on Jewish resistance to the Nazis, 1984

Senior Advisor to "Project Judaica," designed to bring to the U.S. a travelling exhibition of art and artifacts from the State Jewish Museum in Prague, Czechoslovakia; Consultant to "The Precious Legacy" Exhibit, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., 1983

Examination, Selection, and Review Committees

Purdue University Research Integrity Committee, External Member, 2016-17

Steering Committee, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Postdoctoral Program in the Humanities and Social Sciences: Modeling Interdisciplinary Inquiry, 2001-2014

External Departmental and Program Reviews: Emory University, Tam Institute of Jewish Studies, committee chair, 2009; Indiana University, Jewish Studies Program, 2002

External Member, Ph.D. Examining Committees: Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Louise Hecht; Rachel Greenblatt); University of Toronto (Tatjana Lichtenstein)

External Reviewer for promotion and tenure cases or promotion to full professor: Bar-Ilan University; Emory University; Franklin and Marshall College; Harvard University; Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Northwestern University; Ohio State University; Portland State University; Purdue University; Rutgers University; University of Chicago; University of Illinois; University of Michigan; Vanderbilt University

External Reviewer, International Granting Agencies: Czech Science Foundation (2009); Israel Science Foundation (2009); Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (Professorships), Germany (2008, 2009); National Foundation for Jewish Culture (1998-present); Advisory Committee for Fulbright Scholar Awards in Slavic and East European Studies (CIES), 1993-1996

Manuscript Reviews

Academic Journals: *AJS Review*; *Časopis pro kulturní dějiny KUDĚJ*; *Central European History*; *East European Jewish Affairs*; *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*; *Jewish Quarterly Review*; *Jewish Social Studies*; *Journal of Modern History*; *Judaica Bohemiae*; *Leo Baeck Institute Year Book*

Book Manuscripts: Cambridge University Press; Indiana University Press; Oxford University Press; Stanford University Press; University of California Press; University of Nebraska Press; Wayne State University Press

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association

Association for Jewish Studies

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

Czech and Slovak History Association (President, 1994-1996)

H-Habsburg

Historical Society of Israel

Leo Baeck Institute

World Union of Jewish Studies