

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Eliezer Lorne Segal
Born: Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Sept. 28
1950
Marital Status: Married, Agnes Romer

UNIVERSITY DEGREES:

- 1967-72 B.A. Jewish Studies and Philosophy, McGill University, Montreal.
1972-76 M.A. Talmud, Hebrew University. Thesis: Case-Citation in the Babylonian Talmud, directed by the late Prof. E. S. Rosenthal.
1976-82 PhD Talmud, Hebrew University. Thesis: *Textual Traditions of TB Megillah*, directed by Prof. E. S. Rosenthal.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

- 1971 Scholarship from Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.
1974 Scholarships from the Canadian Foundation for Jewish Culture; Hebrew University Faculty of Humanities.
1975 Scholarship from Canadian Foundation for Jewish Culture.
1976 Nisslewitz Prize, Faculty of Humanities, Hebrew University.
1977 Scholarship from Hebrew University Faculty of Humanities; "Sha'al (University Service Abroad) Award, Institute of Jewish Studies, Hebrew University.
1978 Fellow of Canada Council for Humanities and Social Sciences.
1979 Fellow of Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.
1980 Scholarship, Institute of Jewish Studies, Hebrew University.
1981 Lady Davis Fellow; grant from Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture.
1983 A. Urbach Memorial Prize, Hebrew University.
1985 E. S. Rosenthal Memorial Award, Talmud Department, Hebrew University.

1985-88 Finkelstein Scholarships, Lieberman Institute for Talmudic Research, Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

1990 University of Calgary Visiting Scholars Grant (Albert Baumgarten).

1990-1 University of Calgary Short-term Project Research Grant-The Babylonian Midrash on Esther: A Critical Commentary.

1991-92 Fellow of the Calgary Institute for the Humanities.

1993 University of Calgary University Research Grants Committee, Visiting Scholar Award (Avraham David).

1997-8 American Academy of Religion / Lilly Foundation Teaching Workshop-- Grant to participate in a series of four workshops on the academic teaching of Religious Studies.

1999.2000 Lady Davis Fellowship Trust Visiting Professor Grant for research at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

2003 Honorary Membership, Sikh Business and Professional Club, Calgary.

2004 Included in *Canadian Who's Who* (University of Toronto Press, p. 1170).

Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences: Aid to Scholarly Publication grant, for book *From Sermon to Commentary: Expounding the Bible in Talmudic Babylonia* (Wilfrid Laurier University Press).

2006 Awarded the Nachman Sokol-Chaim Yoel and Mollie Halberstadt Award for Scholarship: Biblical / Rabbinic, the Helen and Stan Vine Annual Canadian Jewish Book Awards; for: *From Sermon to Commentary: Expounding the Bible in Talmudic Babylonia*.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH POSITIONS:

1973-74 T. A., Department of Hebrew Language, Hebrew University (Aramaic).

1975-76 Instructor of Talmud Summer Courses, Hebrew University.

1976-77 Instructor of Talmud preparatory courses, Hebrew University; Research Assistant, Project for Publication of Amoraic Texts, Institute of Jewish Studies, Hebrew University; Lecturer in Talmud, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Jerusalem Campus.

1978-79 Instructor in Mishnah, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Jerusalem Campus.

- 1979-84 Instructor in Palestinian Talmud and Mishnah, Jewish Theological Seminary, Jerusalem.
- 1981-84 Instructor in Talmud preparatory courses, Hebrew University.
- 1981-82 Instructor in Talmud and Rabbinics, Ben-Gurion University, Beersheba; curriculum consultant, Everyman's University, Israel (Course: *From Jerusalem to Yavneh*, English version).
- 1983-83 Instructor in Talmud and *Aggadah*, Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan Israel.
- 1983-85 Project for Computer-Aided Critical Editions of Tractates of the Mishnah (Editor: Tractate *Megillah*), Israel Academy of Sciences; Research Fellow, Saul Lieberman Talmudic Research Institute, Jewish Theological Seminary of America (critical commentary on *TB Megillah*, ch. 1).
- 1984-85 Instructor in Rabbinics, David Yellin Teachers Seminary, Jerusalem; Researcher, Mosseri Genizah Manuscript Catalogue, Jewish National and University Library, Jerusalem; Talmud instructor, Centre for Conservative Judaism, Jerusalem (adult education).
- 1985-86 Visiting Assistant Professor of Jewish Studies, University of California, Berkeley.
- 1986- Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, University of Calgary.
- 1989-98 Associate Professor of Religious Studies, University of Calgary.
- 1992-3 Participant, Institute for Advanced Studies, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Sept. 1992-May 1993.
- 1998-2017 Full Professor of Religious Studies, University of Calgary.
- 2000 Orion Visiting Scholar, Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Associated Literature, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- Instructor, Department of Talmud, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Winter 2000 term).

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

1. *Case Citation in the Babylonian Talmud: The Evidence of Tractate Neziqin*, Atlanta: Brown Judaic Studies, 1990.

2. *The Babylonian Esther Midrash: A Critical Commentary Volume One: To the End of Esther Chapter 1*, Atlanta: Brown Judaic Studies, 1994.
3. *The Babylonian Esther Midrash: A Critical Commentary Volume Two: To the Beginning of Esther Chapter 5*, Atlanta: Brown Judaic Studies, 1994.
4. *The Babylonian Esther Midrash: A Critical Commentary Volume Three: Esther Chapter 5 to End*, Atlanta: Brown Judaic Studies, 1994.
5. *Why Didn't I Learn That in Hebrew School?* Northvale NJ: Jason Aronson 1999.
6. *Holidays, History and Halakhah*, Northvale NJ: Jason Aronson 2001 (251 pages).
7. *Ask Now of the Days That Are Past*, Calgary: University of Calgary Press 2005 (311 pages).
8. *From Sermon to Commentary: Expounding the Bible in Talmudic Babylonia, Studies in Christianity and Judaism*. Waterloo: Wilfrid Laurier University Press, 2005 (170 pages).
9. *In Those Days, at This Time: Holiness and History in the Jewish Calendar*, University of Calgary Press, 2007 (324 pages).
10. *A Meeting-Place for the Wise: More Excursions into the Jewish Past and Present*. Calgary: CreateSpace for the Alberta Judaic Library, 2008 (216 pages).
11. *Sanctified Seasons*. Calgary: CreateSpace for the Alberta Judaic Library, 2008 (203 pages).
12. *Introducing Judaism*, Oxford: Routledge, 2008.
13. *Judaism—the eBook*, Journal of Buddhist Ethics Online Books, 2008.
14. *Reading Jewish Religious Texts*, Oxford: Routledge, 2011, 240 pages.
15. *For Signs and for Seasons*. Calgary: Alberta Judaic Library, 2011 (167 pages).

16. *On the Trails of Tradition: Explorations of Jewish Life and Learning*. Calgary: Alberta Judaic Library, 2011 (208 pages).
17. *The Most Precious Possession: The Ring of Polycrates in Ancient Religious Narratives*. American University Studies. Series VII, Theology and Religion Vol. 343. New York: Peter Lang Publishing, 2014.
18. *A Time for Every Purpose*. Calgary: Alberta Judaic Library, 2015 (246 pages).
19. *Chronicles and Commentaries*. Calgary: Alberta Judaic Library, 2015 (248 pages).
20. *Beasts That Teach, Birds That Tell: Animal Language in Rabbinic and Classical Literatures*. Calgary: Alberta Judaic Library, 2019.
21. Co-editor, *Catalogue of the Jack Mosseri Collection*, Jerusalem: the Jewish National and University Library, 1990
22. Index editor, J. N. Epstein, *Studies in Talmudic Literature and Semitic Languages II*, Jerusalem: The Magnes Press, the Hebrew University, 1988.

Chapters of Books:

1. Unit 8: The Oral Law...The Mishnah, in: I. Gottlieb [et al], *Jerusalem to Jabneh*, Tel Aviv: Everyman's University, 1981.
2. 12 articles in: J. D. Douglas, ed., *Twentieth Century Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge*, Second Edition (Grand Rapids, 1990).
3. "Judaism," in: H. Coward, ed., *Life After Death in the World Religions* Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1997, pp. 11-30; [German translation: *Das Leben nach dem Tod in den Weltreligionen* Freiburg: Herder, 1998.]
4. "Judaism," in: H. Coward, ed., *Experiencing Scripture in World Religions* Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2000, 15-33.
5. "Jewish Perspectives on Restorative Justice" in: M. Hadley, ed., *The Spiritual Roots of Restorative Justice*. Albany: SUNY Press, 2001, 181-98.
6. "Apéndice Documental: C. Poesias Encomiásticas Proemiales a Abraham Gómez Silveira En Sus Sermones (1677)." In *El Barroco Sefardí Abraham*

- Gómez Silveira: Arévalo, Prov. De Avila, Castilla 1656 -- Amsterdam 1741: Estudio Preliminar, Obras Líricas, Vejámenes En Prosa Y Verso Y Documentación Personal*, edited by Kenneth Brown and Harm Den Boer, 256-60. Kassel: Edition Reichenberger, 2000.
7. "Disarming Phineas: Rabbinic Confrontations with Biblical Militancy," in: D. Hawkin, ed., *The Twenty-first Century Confronts Its Gods: Studies in the Interaction between Religion and Society*, SUNY Press, 2004, 141-56.
 8. "Anthological Dimensions of the Babylonian Talmud," in: D. Stern, ed., *The Anthology in Jewish Literature*, Oxford University Press, 2004, 81-107 [reprinted from: *Prooftexts* 17 (1997)].
 9. "Digital Discipleship: Using the Internet for the Teaching of Jewish Thought," in: H. Kreisel, ed., *Study and Knowledge in Jewish Thought, The Goldstein-Goren Library of Jewish Thought* (Beersheba: Ben-Gurion University Press, 2006), 359-373.
 10. 6 Articles in: *Encyclopaedia Judaica*. Michael Berenbaum and Fred Skolnik, Eds. 2nd ed. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2007. 22 vols.:
 11. "The Concept of Diaspora in Talmudic Thought," in: A. M. Ehrlich, ed., *Encyclopedia of the Jewish Diaspora* (Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2008), 1:4-8.
 12. "Aristeas or Aggadah: Talmudic Legend and the Greek Bible in Palestinian Judaism," in: W. O. McCready and A. Reinhartz, eds., *Common Judaism: Explorations in Second-Temple Judaism* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2008), 159-172, 286-292.
 13. "From Glutton to Gangster," in: Aubrey Glazer, Justin Lewis, Tzemah Yoreh, eds., *Vixens Disturbing Vineyards: The Embarrassment and Embracement of Scriptures--A Festschrift Honoring Harry Fox Le'Veit Yoreh* (Brighton MA, Academic Studies Press, 2009), 246-265.
 14. "The Parnass, the Gabbai and the Ritual Committee," in: Sandra Morton Weizman and Agnes Romer Segal, eds., *The House that Jacob Built: Congregation House of Jacob-Mikveh Israel*, Calgary, Alberta Centennial Commemorative Book (Calgary, 2009), 60-61.
 15. "Judaism: Contemporary Expressions" in: *The Blackwell Companion to Religion and Social Ethics* (Oxford: Blackwell, 2010).

16. "Esther (Book and Person): Judaism: Rabbinic Judaism" in: Klauck, Hans-Josef, et al., eds. *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Vol. 8, 19-21. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2014.
17. "From Holy to Humane: Religious Dimensions of Food in Jewish Life". In: Thompson P., Kaplan D. (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Food and Agricultural Ethics*, SpringerReference. Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2013. (4,000 words)
18. "Haman: Rabbinic Judaism" in: Klauck, Hans-Josef, et al., eds. *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Vol. 11, 83-84. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2015.
19. "Omer"; "Oral Torah"; "Halakhah" entries in: E. Orlin, ed., *The Routledge Encyclopedia of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, Oxford and New York: Routledge, 2015, 383, 670, 675.
20. "Re'eh: Ethical Consumption." In: Diana Lipton, ed, *Forbidden Fruit to Milk and Honey: A Commentary on Food in the Torah*, Jerusalem and New York: Urim Publications and Ktav Publishing House, 2017.

Articles in Scholarly Journals:

English:

1. "The Terminology of Case-Citation in the Babylonian Talmud," *Journal for the Study of Judaism*, 9 (1979), pp. 205-211.
2. "Variant Traditions of Cases in the Babylonian Talmud," *Jewish Quarterly Review* (N. S.), 70 (1979), pp. 1-27.
3. "The Use of the Formula *ki ha de* in the Citation of Cases in the Babylonian Talmud," *Hebrew Union College Annual*, 50 (1979), pp. 199-218 [Reprinted in: J. Neusner and W. S. Green, eds., *The Origins of Judaism: Religion, History and Literature in Late Antiquity*, Vol. 10 (The Talmuds), New York 1991.
4. "'The Same from Beginning to End...' -- on the Development of a Midrashic Homily," *Journal of Jewish Studies*, 32 (1981), pp. 158-165.
5. "Law as Allegory? An Unnoticed Literary Device in Talmudic Narratives", *Prooftexts* 8 (1988) (pp. 245-256).
6. "Human Anger and Divine Intervention in Esther," *Prooftexts*, 9, 247-56 (1989).
7. "Midrash and Literature: Some Medieval Views," *Prooftexts* 11 (1991), pp. 57-65.:

8. "Justice, Mercy and a Bird's Nest," *Journal of Jewish Studies*, Fall 1991, 176-195.
9. "Sarah and Iscah: Method and Message in a Midrashic Tradition," *Jewish Quarterly Review* 82:3-4 (1991), 417-30.
10. "The Exegetical Craft of the Zohar: Towards an Appreciation," *The AJS Review* 17:1 (1991), 31-49.
11. "Interpreting Midrash 3: Midrash and the Tannaitic Aggada" [Review article], *Prooftexts* 12:2 (1992), 188-92.
12. "Anthological Dimensions of the Babylonian Talmud," *Prooftexts* 17 (1997) [special issue on The Anthological Imagination in Jewish Literature], pp. 33-61 (invited article) .
13. "Associative' Organization in the Talmud: Some Reconsiderations," *Papers of the Chair in Quebec and Canadian Jewish Studies*, Montreal (1999).
14. "'The Few Contained the Many': Rabbinic Perspectives on the Miraculous and the Impossible," *Journal of Jewish Studies* 54:2 (2003), pp. 273-82.
15. "Rabbi Eleazar's Perutah," *Journal of Religion* 85:1 (2005), pp. 25-42.
16. "A Funny Thing Happened to Me on My Way to Sodom," *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 46:1 (2015), pp. 103-129.

Hebrew

1. "Kenisah/Kenesah—Morphological-Semantic Distinction in a Mishnaic Hebrew Verbal Noun," *Leshonenu*, 43 (1979), pp. 157-160.
2. "The Goat of the Slaughterhouse...! — on the Evolution of a Variant Reading in the Babylonian Talmud," *Tarbiz*, 49 (1980), pp. 43-51.
3. "Marginal Glosses in the Bodlean Copy of TB Megillah Pesaro. Edition," *Alei Sefer*, 9 (1981), pp. 130-139.
4. "The Textual Tradition of the Columbia University Manuscript of TB Megillah," *Tarbiz*, 53 (1984), pp. 31-59.
5. "The Petihta in Babylonia," *Tarbiz*, 53 (1985), pp. 19-46.

Papers

1. "Variant readings of TB Megillah", E. S. Rosenthal Memorial Lecture, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Feb. 1985.
2. "The TB Megillah Esther Midrash and the Study of Babylonian Aggadah", Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Boston, Mass., December 1987.
3. "Case Citation, Wishful Thinking and Some Misunderstood Talmudic Terms", Association for Jewish Studies Twentieth Annual Conference, Boston, Mass., December 18, 1988, (IIC)
4. "Derash in Spite of Peshat: Some Medieval Justifications for Creative Exegesis," Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Boston, Mass., December 1989.
5. "Peace or Victory? -- The Meaning of Purim in the Bible and Talmud," Canadian Society for Biblical Studies Conference on "Reading the Bible," University of Calgary, January 19, 1990.
6. "Justice, Mercy and a Bird's Nest," Department of Religious Studies, University of Alberta, March 5, 1990.
7. "The Zohar as Exegesis," guest lecture, University of Alberta, March 5 1990.
8. "The Law of Retaliation," Annual Meeting of the Association for Research into Religious Studies and Theology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, May 2, 1991.
9. "Jewish Law from Jesus to the Mishnah," one-day seminar, Department of Religious Studies, University of Calgary, June 25 1991.
10. "From India to Ethiopia--From Hermeneutics to Homiletics" Lecture for the Calgary Institute for the Humanities, University of Calgary, Oct. 17 1991.
11. "Aims and Means in the Preparation of Critical Editions of Tractates from the Babylonian Talmud," Paper delivered at the Eleventh World Congress of Jewish Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June 1993.
12. Respondent: Paul van Buren, "Torah, Israel, Jesus, Church—Today," Canadian Council of Christians and Jews (Alberta Region) Christian-Jewish Dialogue, Calgary, Nov. 21 1993.

13. "The Thirteenth of Adar: Gemara, Sevara and the Meaning of Purim," Guest Lecture at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York, NY, Feb. 14, 1994.
14. Chairperson, "Trajectories of Biblical Tradition / Trajectoires Bibliques" session, Canadian Society for Biblical Studies Annual Meeting, Calgary, June 7 1994.
15. "The Distinctiveness of Babylonian Aggadah: Reflections on the Esther-Midrash" Paper delivered at the Canadian Society for Biblical Studies Annual Meeting, Calgary, June 7 1994.
16. "Atonement and Ingathering: The Jewish Fall Festivals" Exhibition and Introductory Lecture, Dept. of Religious Studies "Festivals and Holy Days" series, Calgary, Oct. 11 1994.
17. "Electronic Resources for Learning and Future Curriculum Innovation"-- Showcase and Demonstration for University of Calgary "Envisioning Transformation" Week: February 14 1996.
18. "'Associative' Organization in the Talmud: Some Reconsiderations" Invited paper delivered at the conference "A Heritage in Transition: Jewish Studies in Canada" sponsored by the Chair in Canadian Jewish Studies of Concordia University and the Centre for Jewish Studies at York University, Montreal, June 10 1996 [See above].
19. "Issues in Rabbinic Philology" Presentation for University of Calgary Philology Research Group, January 8 1998.
20. "Variants, Traditions and the Meaning of Prophecy" Presentation for: "Theories of the Text" an interdisciplinary workshop and panel discussion, University of Calgary Philology Research Group, March 18 1999.
21. Faculty of Humanities Development Committee, presentation for Workshop on Web-based courses, April 19 1999.
22. "Towards a Definition of 'the Era of the Sages'" Presentation at the Second Annual Conference on Research in Rabbinic Thought, Beit Morasha of Jerusalem Center for Advanced Jewish Studies, Jerusalem Israel, December 5 1999.
23. "Seventy Faces to the LXX: The Rabbinic Tradition on the Greek Translation of the Pentateuch Revisited" Jonas Greenfield Scholars Seminar, Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Associated Literature, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, April 3 2000.

24. "‘Little Contained Much’: On the Sages’ Attitude towards Philosophical Discourse." Paper presented at International Conference on Jewish Thought and Foreign Cultures: "Judaism and the World—Interaction, Influence and Impact," Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beersheva, Israel, May 30 2000.
25. "From Miedzyboz to Paris: Chabad and the Writing of Hassidic History." Lecture for the University of Calgary Jewish Studies Group, March 14 2001.
26. "Presenting and Teaching the Talmud on the Internet" presentation for: "Geschichte der Intertextualität als Mediengeschichte: Der babylonischen Talmud" ("Talmud Bavli—History of Transmission as History of Intertextuality), Workshop organized by the Kulturwissenschaftliche Forschungskolleg "Medien und kulturelle Kommunikation" of the University of Cologne, Germany, June 27-28 2001.
27. "The Temple as a Source of Unity and Conflict (So What Else is New?)," presentation for: "History, Issues, and Ideas—Lost Worlds: Jewish Life, Roman World," workshop organized by the University of Victoria Department of Greek and Roman Studies and Division of Continuing Studies, and the Victoria Jewish Community Centre; University of Victoria, Victoria BC, November 25, 2001.
28. "The Archaeology of Religious Customs: Ashkenazic religious practice and the geographical origins of European Jewry," address for the Jewish Genealogical Society of Southern Alberta, Calgary, January 21 2002.
29. "From there to here, from here to there / Seuss-ifying Hebrew prayer." Faculty Colloquium "Across Cultural Boundaries," Faculty of Humanities, University of Calgary, January 23, 2002.
30. "Alternative E-Publishing: Reality and Practice," presentation for workshop on "New Models in Academic Publishing: Dispelling the Myth" sponsored by University of Calgary Information Resources, November 12 2002.
31. Itta and Eliezer Zeisler Memorial Lectureship, Department of Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies, University of British Columbia, January 30-February 1, 2003:
 - i. "That LXX Show: The Alleged Rejection of the Septuagint at Yavneh" (faculty seminar), January 30, 2003.
 - ii. "Digital Pilgrimages: Jewish Identities on the Internet," January 31, 2003.

- iii. "Disarming Pinhas: The Rabbis Deal with a Biblical Extremist" (Public Lecture at the Vancouver Jewish Community Cewntre), February 1 2003.
32. "A Penny in the Pushkah: The Ritualization of Ethics in Jewish Custom," paper for the University of Calgary Jewish Studies Group, January 27 2004.
33. "Digital Discipleship: Using the Internet for the Teaching of Jewish Thought" presentation for: International Conference on "Study and knowledge in Jewish Thought," Goldstein-Goren International Center for Jewish Thought, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel, June 9, 2004.
34. Respondent: Craig A. Evans, "Messianic Hopes & Messianic figures in Late Antiquity," sponsored by the Chair of Christian Thought, University of Calgary, November 2, 2004.
35. "From Exegesis to Homiletics: Investigating the Aggadic Midrash in the Babylonian Talmud," Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Department of Talmud seminar series on "Research Topics in Talmudic and Rabbinic Literature," March 8, 2005.
36. "Talmudic Trajectories: Academic encounters with the Oral and Written Torahs," seminar for the *Ecole Biblique*, Jerusalem, March 16, 2005.
37. "'Refined Sevenfold'—Towards a Characterization of Aggadic Midrash in the Talmud," Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel, Department of Talmud Faculty Seminar, March 21, 2005.
38. "Aristeas or Aggadah: Talmudic Legend and the Greek Bible in Palestinian Judaism," Conference on "Common Judaism Explored. Second Temple Judaism in Context," Calgary Institute for the Humanities, Calgary, May 17, 2005.
39. "Monotheism and Misanthropy: Historical Responses to Liberal Anti-Judaism" lecture for Jewish Studies Research Group, University of Calgary, November 30, 2005.
40. "Under the Sign of Pisces: Tracing the Route of the 'Ring of Polycrates' from Herodotus to the Rabbis (and then some)" [Hebrew], Departmental Colloquium, Goldstein-Goren Department of Jewish Thought, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beersheba, Israel, November 24, 2008.
41. "Methodological Issues in the Definition of the Rabbinic Era" [Hebrew], presentation for "On Religions of Place and Religions of Community"" seminar, Scholion- Interdisciplinary Research Center in Jewish Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, December 3, 2008.

42. Chair and Commentator, Session 6: "Local and Global," Conference on "'I'm in the East and My Heart is in the West': Israel in the Middle East," University of Calgary Israel Studies Program, Calgary, October 5 2010.
43. Chair and Commentator, Session 4: "Religion and Citizenship," Conference on "Israel between Orient and Occident," University of Calgary Israel Studies Program, Calgary, March 5 2012.
44. Chair and Commentator, Session 5: "Theology, Demonology & Mysticism," Conference on "Ka-Tzetnik: The Impact of the First Holocaust Novelist in Israel and Beyond," University of Calgary Israel Studies Program, Calgary, March 12 2013.
45. "Lord—and Lady—of the Flies" presented at the Regional Meeting of the Pacific Northwest Region of the AAR, SBL & ASOR, Calgary, AB, May 10, 2014.

Reviews

1. "Transitional Period in Talmudic Judaism" (review article), *Tarbiz*, 51 (1982), pp. 315-318 [Hebrew].
2. Review of: E. H. Flannery, *The Anguish of the Jews*, *Religious Studies and Theology* 6:3 (1986), 66-67.
3. Review of: J. Osterreicher, *The New Encounter Between Christians and Jews*, *Religious Studies and Theology*, 6:3 (1986), 68-70.
4. Review of: Donald Georgen, O.P., *The Mission and Ministry of Jesus*, *Religious Studies and Theology*, vol.7, Nos. 2 & 3, May, September 1987, pp.88-90.
5. Review of: E. Goldsmith and M. Scult, eds., *Dynamic Judaism: The Essential Writings of Mordecai M. Kaplan*, *Religious Studies and Theology* 8 (1988), 85-8.
6. Review of: M. Doohan *Mark—Visionary of Early Christianity*, *Religious Studies and Theology* 8 (1988), 53-4.
7. Review of: S. T. Lachs, *A Rabbinic Commentary on the New Testament*, *Religious Studies and Theology* 8 (1988), 57-8.
8. Review of: J. Neusner, *The Way of Torah*, *Religious Studies and Theology* (1992), 45-6.
9. Review of P. Alexander, *Judaism*, *Religious Studies and Theology* 13-14(1995), 110-11.

10. Review of B. Walfish, *Esther in Medieval Garb: Jewish interpretations of Esther*, *Religious Studies/Sciences Religieuses* 24:3 (1994), 371-2.
11. Review of R. Kalmin, *Sages, Stories, Authors and Editors in Rabbinic Babylonia*, in: *Religious Studies Review* (1995) *Religious Studies Review*, October 1995, p. 432
12. Review of J. Lightstone, *The Rhetoric of the Babylonian Talmud, Its Social Meaning and Context* in: *Religious Studies/Sciences Religieuses* 24 (1995), 506-8.
13. Review of A. Houtman, *A Synoptic Comparison of the Tractates Berakhot and Shebiit*. *Texte und Studien zum Antiken Judentum*, in: *Hebrew Studies* 40 (1999), 365-7.
14. Review of David Novak, *Natural Law in Judaism*, in: *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses* 29 (2000), 246-7.
15. Review of: H. Fox and T. Meacham, eds., *Introducing Tosefta: Textual and Intertextual Studies*, in: *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 121:3 (2001), 502-3
16. Review of: J. I. Rubenstein, *Talmudic Stories: Narrative Art, Composition, and Culture*, in: *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, 69:4 (2002), 953-6.
17. Review of: M. L. Satlow, *Jewish Marriage in Antiquity*, in: *The Journal of Religion*, 83:1 (January 2003), 162-4.
18. Review of: A. Cohen, *Ravina ve-Hakhmei Doro*, in: *Jewish Quarterly Review* 93:3-4 (2003), 675-7.
19. Review of: M. Lockshin, *Rashbam's Commentary to Leviticus and Numbers*; in: *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses*, 32, 1-2 (2003), 212-4.
20. Review of: P. Heger, *The Pluralistic Halakhah: Legal Innovations in the Late Second Commonwealth and Rabbinic Periods*, in: *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses*, 32:4 (2003), 520-2.
21. Review of: A. Goldberg, *Tosefta Bava Kamma: A Structural and Analytic Commentary with a Mishna-Tosefta Synopsis*, in: *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 123.1 (2003), 662-4.
22. Review of: E. Diamond, *Holy Men and Hunger Artists: Fasting and Asceticism in Rabbinic Culture*, in: *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 73:3 (2005), 911-913.

23. Review of: P. Schäfer, *The Origins of Jewish Mysticism*, in: *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 29:3 (Spring 2011), 158-160.
24. Review of: K. Lindbeck, *Elijah and the Rabbis: Story and Theology*, in: *H-Judaic*.
25. Review of: *Entangled Histories: Knowledge, Authority, and Jewish Culture in the Thirteenth Century*, 2017, edited by Elisheva Baumgarten, Ruth Mazo Karras, Katelyn Mesler, in: *Studies in Judaism, Humanities, and the Social Sciences*. [In Press]

Translations

1. S. Werses, "Towards the History of the Hebrew Novella in the Early Nineteenth Century: Studies in Zahlen's Salmah mul 'Eden," *Scripta Hierosolymitana* 27: *Studies in Hebrew Narrative Art throughout the Ages* (Jerusalem: Magnes 1978), 107-24.

Other Publications

Children's Books:

1. *Uncle Eli's Passover Haggadah*, San Francisco: No Starch Press, 1999.
2. *Uncle Eli Repents*, Calgary: CreateSpace (2014).

Newspaper and Magazine Articles:

More than 550 feature articles in the Calgary [and/or Edmonton] *Jewish Star*; *Jewish Free Press*; *Albert Jewish News*; *Ha-Atid [Destiny]: Magazine of the Melbourne Hebrew Congregation*; and other venues. Most of these are collected into books listed above.

GRADUATE SUPERVISION:

University of Calgary:

Graduate Supervision:

MA

2002-2004 Dept. of Religious Studies: Nathan Gibbard. Thesis: "I am Joseph, your brother": Use of the brother model in the

- Vatican's conception of the Jewish-Catholic relationship, 1958-2004.
- 2007-2011 Dept. of Religious Studies: Ali Fares. Thesis: Myth in the Bible and the Qur'an
- 2010 Dept. of Religious Studies. Yasmin Merchant Thesis: Vanishing Frontiers: Re-thinking the Mystical in Avicenna and Maimonides (Co-Supervisor [with: A. Hughes])
- 2010-2016 Dept. of Religious Studies. Zvi Andrews Pardes Thesis: Midrash as a Refracting Lens: A.J. Heschel's Illumination of Jewish History
- 2014-2016 Dept. of Religious Studies. Miche Xu Thesis: A Contextual Examination of Maimonides's Attitudes Towards Women

PhD

- 2005-2009 Dept. of Religious Studies Nicole Libin Thesis: The Choosing People: Alternate Constructions of Jewish Identity in North America (RELS)
- 2008-2014 O. Steinitz: Thesis: The Attitude towards the "Other" in Jewish and Islamic Religious Websites Supervisory Committee: with M. Keren, S. Keren, A. Rippin. (Interdisciplinary Graduate Program, University of Calgary)

MAJOR ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS:

- 1989-91 Graduate Administrator, Department of Religious Studies
- 1996-8 Dept. of Religious Studies Undergraduate Advisor.
- 1998-2004 Head, Department of Religious Studies
- 2005 Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Religious Studies
- 2009-2010 Head, Department of Religious Studies.
- 2010- Graduate Program Director, Department of Religious Studies.

PUBLIC LECTURES AND INTERVIEWS:

More than 140 lectures, classes, interviews, panels etc. addressed to non-academic community audiences.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Referee for numerous academic journals, granting agencies, curriculum developers, etc.

COMPUTER MATERIALS:

World Wide Web site (<http://people.ucalgary.ca/~elsegal>) containing full range of class notes and materials for undergraduate courses in Religious Studies, Western Religions, interactive instructional materials, etc.