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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. University of California, Los Angeles 2019
Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

Dissertation: *Language Consciousness in the Hebrew Bible during the Persian Period in Jerusalem: A Sociological Study of the Hebrew Language in its Cultural and Political Context*

M.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2014
Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2014
English – *Summa Cum Laude*

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Hebrew and Jewish Studies, August 2022- present
University of Kentucky

Lecturer of Hebrew, August 2019 - July 2022
Washington University in St. Louis

External Lecturer for Summer Sessions June 2020-August 2020
University of California, Los Angeles

TEXTBOOKS

Gesharim: Modern Hebrew for Advanced Learners Under review

COURSES TAUGHT

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY,

Assistant Professor, 2022-

Arabic 102	Elementary Modern Standard Arabic II
Hebrew 101	Elementary Hebrew I
Hebrew 102	Elementary Hebrew II
Hebrew 201	Intermediate Hebrew I
Jewish Studies 110	Introduction to Old Testament/ Hebrew Bible
Jewish Studies 324	Jewish Thought/ Culture I: Ancient Israel – Middle Ages

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS

Lecturer, 2019-2022

Hebrew 1011	First Year Modern Hebrew I
Hebrew 1012	First Year Modern Hebrew II
Hebrew 2011	Second Year Modern Hebrew I
Hebrew 2012	Second Year Modern Hebrew II
Hebrew 320D	Third-Level Modern Hebrew I
Hebrew 322D	Third-Level Modern Hebrew II
Hebrew 3211	Conversational Hebrew

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Instructor on Record, 2015-2020

Hebrew 8 (Summer only)	Elementary Modern Hebrew Intensive
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8-week intensive equivalent to the first full year of
Modern Hebrew during the academic Year

Teaching Fellow (3 quarters, 2018-2019)

German 1	Elementary German I
German 2	Elementary German II
German 3	Elementary German III

Teaching Assistant (2016-2018)

Ancient Near East 10W	Jerusalem: Holy City
Near East M20	Visible Language: Study of Writing

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Schusterman Summer Institute for Israel Studies Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts	July 2023
Deutsche Akademische Austauschdienst (DAAD) Language Intensive Course Grant Göttingen, Lower Saxony, Germany	October-December 2016
Eugene V. Cota-Robles Fellowship University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)	2014-2018

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

National Association of Professors of Hebrew (NAPH) האם כדאי שְׁנַלְמֵד דַּקְדֻּקָּה בְּרֵמַת הַמִּתְקַדְמִים? <i>Translated title:</i> <i>“Should we teach grammar at the advanced level?”</i>	June 27, 2022
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UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

Director of Hebrew & Jewish Studies Track Kentucky Foreign Language Conference (KFLC)	October 2022-April 2023
Members of Evaluation Committee for Luckens International Prize in Jewish Thought and Culture University of Kentucky, Program in Jewish Studies	January 2023-present
Member of Evaluation Committee for the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence Scholarship (JHFE) University of Kentucky, Program in Jewish Studies	December 2022- present
Member of Undergraduate Studies Committee Washington University in St. Louis, Department of Jewish, Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies	September 2020-June 2022
Member of Hebrew Lecturer Search Committee Washington University in St. Louis, Department of Jewish, Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies	May 2021
Member of Academic Integrity Committee Washington University in St. Louis	January 2022-June 2022

OTHER ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Graduate Reader, UCLA “Intermediate Standard Arabic”	Fall Quarter 2014 Winter Quarter 2015 Spring Quarter 2015
Prepared pedagogical materials and Arabic to English translations for students in second year Arabic	

TRANSLATION EXPERIENCE:

2012	Hebrew to English: Hana Oppenheimer, “The Massacre at Kremnička: Mass Grave in Slovakia, 1944-1945.” Master’s Thesis at Haifa University, November 2003, Pages 1-112
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Original Hebrew Title :

הטבח בקרמינצ'קה: קבר המונים בסלובקיה, 1940-1944

AWARDS & HONORS:

2012-2014	UCLA Dean's Honor List
2011-2013	UCLA Achievement Scholarship
2011-2012	UCLA Merit Scholarship
2009-2011	East Los Angeles College President's Honors List
2008-2011	East Los Angeles College Dean's Honors List

LANGUAGES:

Modern Languages

Near Native	Hebrew
Proficient	Arabic (Modern Standard, Levantine colloquial), Spanish
Advanced	Persian, Mandarin Chinese, German
Heritage	Chinese (Cantonese)

Ancient Languages Biblical Hebrew, Classical Arabic, Aramaic

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of Professors of Hebrew (NAPH), Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)