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## Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

- 2017 Ph.D. in Hebrew and Judaic Studies, New York University  
Major Comprehensive Exam: Talmud and Rabbinic Literature  
Minor Comprehensive Exam: Second Temple and Early Christian Literature  
Dissertation: ““Remove the Beam from Your Own Eye!”: The Dynamics of Rebuke in Ancient Jewish and Christian Traditions” (Advisor: Jeffrey Rubenstein; Committee: Jeffrey Rubenstein, Lawrence Schiffman, Adam Becker, Alex Jassen, Elisha Russ-Fishbane)
- 2010 M.A. in Judaic Studies, Jewish Theological Seminary
- 2007 B.A. in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies and Philosophy, Brandeis University  
Thesis: “Revelation in Modern Jewish Thought as the Grounds for Divine Authority and Individual Autonomy in Jewish Law” (Advisor: Eugene Sheppard)  
*Summa Cum Laude*

## READING LANGUAGES

Hebrew (Biblical, Rabbinic, and Modern), Aramaic (Babylonian and Galilean), Syriac, Koine Greek, French, German

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*The Difficult Duty of Rebuke: Leviticus 19:17 in Early Jewish and Christian Interpretation* (accepted for publication in Brill, Journal for the Study of Judaism, Supplement Series)

*The Talmud* (coauthoring with J. L. Rubenstein; under contract with Oxford University Press, Guide to Sacred Texts Series)

*Binding Fragments of Tractate Temurah and the Problem of Lishana Aḥarina* (coauthored with L. H. Schiffman; under contract with Brill, Brill Reference Library of Judaism Series)

### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

“The Structure of the Matthean Antitheses in Light of Second Temple and Rabbinic Sources.”  
*Journal for the Study of the New Testament*, in press.

“Murder, Anger, and Altars: The First Matthean Antithesis in Light of Exodus 21:14 and its Early Rabbinic Interpretation.” *Novum Testamentum* 59:4 (2017): 1-18.

“Rebuke, Lending, and Love: An Early Exegetical Tradition on Leviticus 19:17–18.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 136.2 (2017): 309-323.

“Rebuke and the Self-Acknowledged Limits of Rabbinic Authority.” *Jewish Studies Quarterly* 23:1 (2016): 1-21.

### **Non-Refereed Journal Articles**

“Dual Dimensions of Discipline in Jewish Wisdom and Early Rabbinic Sources.” *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 35:3 (2017): 115-133.

### **Other Publications**

“Kiss: Second Temple, Hellenistic, and Rabbinic Judaism,” “Lawsuit: Rabbinic Judaism,” and “Lawyer in Judaism” in C. Helmer, et. al., ed., *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol. 15. Berlin/Boston: de Gruyter (2017): 357-59, 1067-68, 1071-72.

### **Forthcoming and In Preparation**

“Patriarchate” and “Exilarchate” in C. Bakhos, ed., *The Posen Library of Jewish Culture and Civilization*, vol. 2. New Haven/London/Lucerne: Yale University Press and the Posen Foundation, forthcoming.

“Flat Rabbis” (under review in *Prooftexts: A Journal of Jewish Literary History*)

“You Must Rebuke Your Fellow!: *Midrash Tanhuma*’s Subversion of Bavli *Arakhin* 16b” (under review in *Hebrew Union College Annual*)

“The Mishna and the *Didascalia Apostolorum* Revisited” (in preparation)

Review of Andrew Gregory, *The Gospel According to the Hebrews and the Gospel of the Ebionites*. (in preparation for *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*)

### **Book Reviews**

Review of Dov Weiss, *Pious Irreverence: Confronting God in Rabbinic Judaism* in *AJS Review* 41:1(2017) 245-247.

Review of Aryeh Amihay, *Theory and Practice in Essene Law* in *Reading Religion: A Publication of the American Academy of Religion*. <http://readingreligion.org/books/theory-and-practice-essene-law>

Review of Eva Mroczek, *The Literary Imagination in Jewish Antiquity* in *Reading Religion: A Publication of the American Academy of Religion*. <http://readingreligion.org/books/literary-imagination-jewish-antiquity>

Review: David Weiss Halivni, *The Formation of the Babylonian Talmud* in *Blog of the Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Society at Cardozo School of Law*. [http://blogs.yu.edu/cjl/2013/11/05/review-of-halivni\\_the-formation-of-the-babylonian-talmud/](http://blogs.yu.edu/cjl/2013/11/05/review-of-halivni_the-formation-of-the-babylonian-talmud/)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2018 “Competing Religious Perspectives on the Ideal Ethical Individual and Community.” Society of Jewish Ethics Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon (*Upcoming Jan. 4-7, 2018*)

2017 “Lishana Aḥarina and the Editing of the Babylonian Talmud.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (*Upcoming Dec. 17-19, 2017*)

“Humility and the Self: Parallel (Yet Competing) Orientations in the Work of Augustine and the Rabbis of Late Antiquity.” Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Boston (*Upcoming Nov. 18-21, 2017*)

“The Unstable Dynamics of Extreme Vulnerability.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Boston (*Upcoming Nov. 18-21, 2017*)

“By Verbal Command or By Silent Example: Two Pedagogical Models in Early Rabbinic and Monastic Traditions.” Seventeenth World Congress of Jewish Studies, Israel

“Quiet Understanding: The Role of Silence in Early Rabbinic and Monastic Traditions.” Understanding Each Other in Antiquity: 5th International Interdisciplinary Conference on Ancient Languages and Cultures, Prague

“Socratic Parrhesia and Rabbinic Rebuke: The Developing Problematization of an Interpersonal Obligation.” Between Athens and Pumbeditha, Yale University

“Understanding the Organization of the Matthean Antitheses in Light of the Damascus Document and the Testament of Gad.” New England and Eastern Canada Region of the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Yale Divinity School

“*Tokbeha*: The Birth, Decline, and Resurgence of Interpersonal Responsibility.” Jewish Law Association Annual Meeting, Yeshiva University

“Confrontation, Silence and the Seeds of Jewish Pluralism.” Pluralism, Multilingualism, and Jewish Identities: Harvard University Graduate Student Conference, Harvard University

“Opposing Perspectives on Personal Responsibility in Early Jewish and Christian Sources.” American Academy of Religion Mid-Atlantic Region Annual Meeting, New Jersey

“Rethinking the Limits of Rabbinic Interpretation.” Regional Seminar in Ancient Judaism, New York University

- 2016 “Cultivating a Humble Self within Rabbinic and Monastic Discourse.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego  
 “Strategies for Integrating Cultural Competency into Teaching Judaic Studies.” Teaching Judaic Studies in the University, New York University  
 “The Mishna and the Didascalia Apostolorum: Two Different Memories of the Past.” Pacific Coast Region of the Society of Biblical Literature, Claremont Graduate University  
 “To Rebuke or Not to Rebuke?: Between the Bavli and the Tanḥuma.” Regional Seminar in Ancient Judaism, University of Pennsylvania  
 “Fraternal Correction in Christian Monastic and Sassanian Rabbinic Sources.” 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Near & Middle Eastern Civilizations Graduate Students’ Association Symposium, University of Toronto
- 2015 “Early Jewish and Christian Responses to the Biblical Commandment to Rebuke.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, Boston  
 “Master-Disciple Discipline in Early Rabbinic Sources.” Midwest Jewish Studies Association Annual Meeting, Kansas University  
 “Between the Lines: An Early Exegetical Tradition behind the Sermon on the Mount and the Sermon on the Plain.” New England and Eastern Canada Region of the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Andover Newton Theological School  
 “Three Models of Wielding Lev. 19:17 in Antiquity.” Weaponizing Scripture?: The University of Virginia’s second annual graduate colloquium in Scripture, Interpretation and Practice, University of Virginia  
 “Against Rebuke: *Tannaitic* Mitigation of a Biblical Injunction.” Regional Seminar in Ancient Judaism, Columbia University  
 “Rebuke: A Jewish Language of Humility.” From Babel to Brooklyn: Jewish Languages, Culture, and Identity; 3rd Annual Jewish Studies Graduate Student Association Conference, Indiana University
- 2014 “Rebuke in Early Jewish and Christian Sources.” Regional Seminar in Ancient Judaism, Yale University

## INVITED LECTURES

- 2017 “The Reception of Leviticus 19:17 among early Jews and Christians.” Society for Ancient Studies, New York University  
 “The Duty and Dangers of Rebuke in Rabbinic Literature.” Tauber Jewish Studies Colloquium, Brandeis University
- 2016 “Humility and Interpersonal Responsibility in Early Jewish and Christian Sources.” Hartford Seminary

- “Mutually Elucidating Texts: The Gospels and the Tannaitic Midrashim.” Ancient Judaism and Christian Origins Colloquium, Nyack College  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yF15D8U4Acc&t=306s>)
- 2015 “How to Teach Students What They Already ‘Know’.” Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Pennsylvania  
“Whether to Rebuke?: Jewish and Christian Communities in the First Few Centuries CE.” Hebrew and Judaic Studies Graduate Student Research Roundtable, New York University
- 2010 “Introduction to Jewish Dietary Laws;” “*Targumim*: The Aramaic Translations of the Bible;” “A Brief History of Jewish Law.” Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Talmud and Rabbinics, Jewish Theological Seminary  
*Talmud Skill Level II* (Fall 2017)
- Adjunct Instructor, Department of Talmud and Rabbinics, Jewish Theological Seminary  
*Talmud Skill Level I* (Fall 2016)
- Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, University of Pennsylvania  
*Approaches to Talmud: Traditional and Academic* (Fall 2015)
- Recitation Instructor, Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, New York University  
*Texts & Ideas: Antiquity and the Enlightenment* (Spring 2017, Jeffrey Rubenstein, primary instructor and Spring 2015, Robert Chazan, primary instructor)  
*Texts & Ideas: Antiquity and the Reformation* (Fall 2015, Mark Smith, primary instructor)  
*Cultures & Contexts: Ancient Israel* (Spring 2014, Mark Smith, primary instructor)

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Conferences Organized

- 2017 Regional Seminar in Ancient Judaism, New York University
- 2016 Teaching Judaic Studies in the University, New York University

### Conference Panels Organized

- 2017 “New Perspectives on Critical Talmud Studies.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (*Upcoming Dec. 17-19, 2017*) (Participants: Andreas Lehnardt, Matthew Goldstone, Lawrence Schiffman, and Sara Ronis)

- 2016 “The Comparative Study of Rabbinic and Christian Monastic Literature.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego (Participants: Matthew Goldstone, Holger Zellentin, Michal Bar-Asher Siegel, and Christine Hayes)
- 2015 “Legalizing Emotions Across Jewish History.” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, Boston (Participants: Matthew Goldstone, Jesse Abelman, Joshua Schwartz, and Suzanne Stone)

### **Professional Service**

- 2017 Co-chair with Matthew Vaughan, Scriptural Reasoning Unit, American Academy of Religion Mid-Atlantic Region.

### **FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS**

- 2016 Global Research Initiative Fellow (NYU)
- 2016 Dean's Student Travel Grant (NYU)
- 2015-2017 Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Doctoral Scholarship
- 2015-2017 Max G. Bronner (Travel) Fellowship in Hebrew and Judaic Studies (NYU)
- 2015 AJS Knapp Foundational Graduate Student Travel Grant  
MJSA Graduate Student Paper Award  
NE/EC Regional SBL Best Graduate Student Paper Award
- 2014 American Academy of Jewish Research Summer Graduate Seminar Fellow (UMich)
- 2013-2015 Cardozo Center for Jewish Law & Contemporary Civilization Fellow (Cardozo Law)
- 2011-2015 MacCracken Graduate Fellowship (NYU)
- 2011 Dean's Supplementary Fellowship Grant
- 2009-2010 Pardes Advanced Program in Talmud and Jewish Law Fellow (Jerusalem)
- 2008 Yeshivat Hadar Summer Fellow (NYC)  
Ismar Elbogen Fellowship Memorial Prize in Talmud (JTS)
- 2007-2009 Crown Fellowship (JTS)
- 2007 Phi Beta Kappa Member (Brandeis)  
Highest Departmental Honors (Brandeis)  
Frieda L. Levinsky Prize (Brandeis)  
Philosophy Faculty Prize (Brandeis)
- 2004 National Society of Collegiate Scholars Member (Brandeis)

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

#### **Lectures and Teaching**

- 2018 “The Jewish Value of Rebuke.” Temple Beth-El, NY
- 2017 “Cheese and the City: Kashrut and Community.” Fort Tryon Jewish Center, NY

- 2016 “Magic: Practicing the Prohibited.” Camp Ramah Outdoor Adventure, CO  
 “How Important is the Truth?” Camp Ramah Outdoor Adventure, CO
- 2015 “Tzedakah: To Whom to Give?” Camp Ramah Nyack, NY  
 “Open Your Hand and Give... to Someone.” Fort Tryon Jewish Center, NY
- 2014-2017 “Living a Jewish Life” (annual 15 session adult education course) Fort Tryon Jewish Center, NY
- 2014 “Rebuke and Speech Ethics.” Fort Tryon Jewish Center  
 “Evil Speech and Rebuke.” Temple Beth Shalom, MA
- 2009-2013 Director of Education (Summers 2012-2013); Teacher (Summers 2009-2011) Camp Ramah in the Berkshires
- 2009 “Introduction to the Hebrew Bible” (5 session adult education course) Kehillat Ma’arav Synagogue, CA
- 2008-2009 “Introduction to the Hebrew Bible” (10 session adult education course) Sutton Place Synagogue, NY

### **Invited Blog Posts**

- 2017 “Talmudic Manuscripts: Redeeming or Destroying our Textual Heritage?” for thegemara.com (*forthcoming*)  
 “A Time for Silence and a Time for Speaking.” *Speaking of Text*, Jewish Theological Seminary (*forthcoming*)
- 2016 “Tears that Unveil.” *Davar Aher Torah Commentary*, Jewish Theological Seminary (<http://www.jtsa.edu/tears-that-unveil>)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Association for Jewish Studies  
 Society of Biblical Literature  
 American Academy of Religion  
 Society of Jewish Ethics  
 World Congress of Jewish Studies  
 Bnay Beth Mardutho (The Syriac Institute)

### **REFERENCES**

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