

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

Ph.D. History Tel-Aviv University (1995)
M.A History Tel-Aviv University (1990- Magna Cum Laude)
B.A. History Tel-Aviv University (1986- Magna Cum Laude)

Academic Positions

2009- Kahanoff Chair in Israeli Studies, Professor of History, University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada.
2008- 2009- Visiting Professor, Emory University, Atlanta, GA.
2006- 2008- Schusterman Visiting Professor, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY
2005-2006- Visiting Associate Professor, Emory University, Atlanta, GA
2000- 2002- NATO Research Fellow.
1996- 2005- Lecturer in the Department of History and in the Program of Security Studies, Tel-Aviv University.
1994- 1996- Instructor in the Department of History, Tel-Aviv University.
1994- British Council Scholar
6/1984-1994- Research assistance in the Jaffee Center of Strategic Studies at the Tel Aviv University. Researching the National Palestinian Movement (until 1992); and the relationships between the EEC and Israel.

Professional Positions

2008- INSCT Research Associate.
2007- Editorial Advisory Board of the Encyclopedia of the Cold War.
2006- 2007- Consultant to the Center for Online Judaic Studies, NYU, New York.

- 2001- Member of the Editorial Board of *Israel* (Tel Aviv University, Israel).
- 2001- 2005- Member of the Israeli Military History Association's Board.
- 2000- 2005- Advisor of the Military and Diplomatic Studies Program at the Graduate School of History.
Member of the Teaching Curriculum Committee at the School of History
- 1997-2000- Senior Advisor at the Program of General and Interdisciplinary Studies, Tel Aviv University.
- 1995-1997- Advisor at the Program for Security Studies

Fellowships & Awards

- 2004- The Minerva Center for Human Rights (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) Research Grant.
- 2003- The Institute for Diplomacy and Regional Cooperation (Tel Aviv University) Research Grant.
- 2003- Tel Aviv University Research Foundation Grant.
- 6/2000- NATO's Institutional Fellowship.
- 10/1999- European Union Social Science Information Research Facility Grant.
- 1999- Tel Aviv University Research Foundation Grant.
- 1998- Yad Hanadiv Fellowship.
- 1997- Tel Aviv University Research Foundation Grant.
- 1996- Kennedy Library's Arthur Schlesinger Fellowship.
- 1994- British Council Scholar
- 1991- Israeli Council for Higher Education's Scholarship for Distinguished Students of Doctoral Studies.

Publications

Books

- 2008- *The American Nuclear Disarmament Dilemma, 1945-1963*.
Syracuse: Syracuse University Press, 336 pages.

2004- *War in Palestine, 1948: Strategy and Diplomacy*. London and New York: Routledge, 498 pages.

2001- *The 1956 War: Collusion and Rivalry in the Middle East*, London: Frank Cass, (ed.: David Tal), 234 pages.

1998 - *Israel's Conception of Current Security- Origins and Development, 1949-1956*. Be'er Shevea University Press, (Israel), 346 pages.

1993 - *Hezbollah, Palestinian Jihad Islamic and Hamas* (with Anat Kurz and Maskit Burgin), Tel Aviv, (Israel).

Articles (Refereed)

2009- "The Making, Operation and Failure of the May 1950 Tripartite Declaration on Middle East Security," *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 36, No. 2 (August), 177-193.

2008- "From the Open Skies Proposal (1955) to the Norstad Plan (1960): A Plan Too Far," *Journal of Cold War Studies*, Vol. 10, No. 4 (Fall 2008), 66-93.

2007- "Israel's Concept of Preemptive War," *Syracuse Law Review*, Vol. 57, No. 3, pp. 601-618.

2006- "The Secretary of State vs. the Secretary of Peace: The Dulles-Stassen Controversy and US Disarmament Policy, 1955-1958", *Journal of Contemporary History*, Vol. 41 No. 4 (October 2006), pp. 721-740.

2006 - "Weapons Without Influence: British Arms Supply Policy and the Egyptian-Czech Arms Deal (1945-1955)," *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* Vol. 34, No. 3, September 2006, pp. 369-388.

2005 - "The 1948 War in Palestine Historiography: The Missing Dimension," *Journal of Israeli History*, Vol. 24, no. 2, autumn 2005, pp. 183-202.

Published also in Ahron Bregman (Edt.), *Warfare in the Middle East since 1945* Ashgate: Aldershot, 2008.

- 2004 - "Between Intuition and Professionalism: Israeli Military Leadership during the 1948 Palestine War," *Journal of Military History*, Vol. 68, No. 3 (July 2004), pp. 885-910.
- 2003 - "Israel's War of Independence (1948): Ben Gurion's War." *Iyunim BiTkumat Israel*, Vol. 13 (2003), pp. 115-138.
- 2003 - "The Evacuation of Jewish Non-Belligerents from the Border Area in the 1948 Palestine War," *Israel*, Vol. 4, (Autumn 2003), pp. 61-81.
- 2002 - "Did Israel Win the 1948 Palestine War?" *Zmanim* 80, Autumn 2002 (Israel), pp. 42-55.
- 2001 - "Eisenhower's Disarmament Dilemma: From Chance for Peace to Open Skies Proposal," *Diplomacy & Statecraft*. Vol. 12, No. 2 (June 2001), pp. 175-196.
- 2001 - "Who Stopped the Egyptian Invasion to Palestine in the 1948 War?" *Iyunim BiTkumat Israel* Vol. 10, (2001), pp. 102-121.
- 2001 - "Seizing Opportunities: Israel and the 1958 Crisis in the Middle East." *Middle Eastern Studies* Vol. 37, No. 1 (Jan. 2001), pp. 142-158.
- 2000 - "The Forgotten War: The Jewish- Palestinian Strife in Palestine, December 1947- May 1948." *Israel Affairs*, Vol. 6, no. 3-4, (Spring/Summer 2000), pp. 3-21.
- 2000 - "Symbol or Substance? Israel's Campaign to Acquire Hawk Missiles, 1960-1962." *International History Review* (Canada), Vol. XXII no. 2, (June 2000), pp. 304-317.
- 1998 - "Plan D': Master Plan or Need of the Hour?" *Zemanim* No. 61 (Winter 1997/8), pp. 52-62.
- 1996 - "Ben Gurion, Sharett and Dayan: Confrontation over the Issue of Preemptive War, 1955." *Cathedra*, (Israel). Vol. 81 (September 1996), pp. 109-122.

- 1996 - "Israel's Way to the 1956 War." *The International Journal of Middle East Studies*, 28 (1996), pp. 59-81.
- 1995 - "American-Israeli Security Treaty: Sequel or Means to the relief of Israeli-Arab Tensions, 1954-1955." *Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 31 no. 4, (October 1995), pp. 829-848.
- 1994 - "The Local Commanders Agreement (Israel-Jordan): Failure of Direct Negotiations." *Cathedra* (Israel). No. 71 (March 1994), pp. 116-149.
- 1989 - "The Palestinian Intifada: An Analysis of a Popular Uprising after Seven Months." (with Ariel Merari and Tamar Prat), *Terrorism and Political Violence*. Vol. 1, no. 2, April 1989, pp. 177-201.

Chapters in Books

- 2008- "The 1956 Sinai War: A Watershed in the History of the Arab- Israeli Conflict," in Simon C. Smith (ed.), *Reassessing Suez 1956: New Perspectives on the Crisis and its Aftermath*. Ashgate: Aldershot. pp. 133-147.
- 2006- "The Burden of Alliance: the NPT Negotiations and the NATO Factor," Christian Nuenlist and Anna Locher (eds.), *Transatlantic Relations at Stake: Aspects of NATO, 1956-1972*, Zurich: Center for Security Studies, 2006, pp. 97-124.
- 2004 - "Israel's Armistice Wars, 1949-1956," in Mordechai Bar On (Ed.), *A Never-ending Conflict: A Guide to Israeli Military History*, Praeger Publishers: Westpoint, 2004, pp. 69-86.
- 2004 - "Military Decisiveness in the Shadow of Diplomatic Confrontation: the Israeli- Egyptian War, 1948-1949," in Alon Kadish (ed.), *Israel's War of Independence Revisited* (Tel Aviv: Maarchot, 2004), pp. 423-484.

2004 - "The Battle over Jerusalem: the Israeli- Jordanian War, 1948," in Alon Kadish (ed.), *Israel's War of Independence Revisited* (Tel Aviv: Maarchot, 2004), pp. 307-339.

2001 - "Paving the Road to War: Israeli Diplomacy and the 1967 Crisis," in Abraham Ben-Zvi and Aharon Klieman (eds.), *Global Politics*, London: Frank Cass, 2001, pp. 201-218.

1994 - "Israel's Retaliation Attacks: from Tactical to a Strategic Tool." Moti Golany (ed.) *Black Arrow*, Tel Aviv, 1994 (Israel), pp. 65-89.

Other Publications

Entries to *Encyclopedia of the Cold War* (ABC-CLIO, 2008) (Spencer Tucker, editor): the Missile Gap; Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) (1970); the Truman Doctrine; the Israeli- Arab wars (the 1948, 1956, 1967 and 1973 wars); the Middle East; Palestine/Israel; Middle East Regional Defense Organizations (MEDO); the Eisenhower Doctrine (1957)

Entries to *Encyclopedia of the Arab-Israeli Wars: A Political, Social and Military History* (ABC-CLIO, 2008) (Spencer Tucker, editor): Israeli-Arab Wars, Overview Essay

Conferences

"Idealism and Pragmatism in the Making of the Israeli-American Special Relations," 25th Annual Association for Israel Studies (AIS) Conference, June 1-3, 2009, Beer Sheva, Israel.

"...And We Call Ourselves the Humane Race..." Kennedy and Nuclear Disarmament," The life and times of John F. Kennedy, The University of North Dakota, September 25 - 27, 2008, Grand Forks, North Dakota.

"The Merits and Limits of the Limited Nuclear Test Ban Agreement," The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) annual conference, June 26-29 2008, Columbus, Ohio.

"The Meaning of the Israeli Victory in the 1948 War," 24th Annual Association for Israel Studies (AIS) Conference, New York University, NYC, May 19-21, 2008

Commentator in Culture and Conflict, Binghamton University, SUNY, Binghamton New York, April 11-12, 2008.

"US Nuclear disarmament Policy and Public Opinion," Peace Movements in the Cold War and Beyond, An International Conference, LSE, London, UK, February 1-2, 2008.

"Between National Security and the Security of the Nation: Israel and its Arab Citizens," Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies (WIPCS) Conference, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, October 4-5, 2007

"The Making of an Ally- the Origins and Development of US-Israel Relations," the 38th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, San Diego, California, December 17- 19, 2006.

"Israel's Long Reach," The War in Iraq - and the Wider Conflict, The Institute for Comparative and International Studies (ICIS), Emory University, Atlanta GA, November 8-9, 2006 (Invited by the organizers).

"Nuclear Proliferation and International Security Policy," (Panel), A Nuclear Iran: The Legal Implications of a Preemptive National Security Policy, Syracuse University, Syracuse NY, October 27, 2006 (Invited by the organizers)

"Israel and the 1956 War- A Low Point Between two Peaks," 1956 - Suez and Hungary - And Beyond, An International Conference, University of Toronto, CA, September 27-30, 2006- (Invited by the organizers)

"The 1956 Sinai War: a Watershed in the History of the Arab- Israeli Conflict," Reassessing Suez Fifty Years On, the Maritime Historical Studies Centre, University of Hull, UK, 25-26 July 2006 - (Invited by the organizers)

"From the Hagana to the IDF- Continuity or Change?" Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Washington, D.C., December 19, 2005.

"The NPT Negotiations and the NATO Factor," NATO in the 1960s: Challenges beyond Deterrence, Zurich/Switzerland, 25-28 August 2004.

"End, Means and History in Eisenhower's and Churchill's Interpretation of the Cold War," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR), June 24- 26, 2004, University of Texas, Austin, TX, USA.

"The 1948 War in Palestine Historiography: The Missing Dimension," The 20th Association of Israel Studies Conference, June 14- 16, 2004, Jerusalem, Israel.

"Continuity and Change in JFK's Approach to Nuclear Disarmament: Kennedy and the Limited Nuclear Test Ban Agreement," The Kennedy Legacy: A Forty-Year Perspective, Chestnut Hill College, Philadelphia, November 21-22, 2003.

"Generals as Politicians- The Case of Moshe Dayan," The Sapir Conference, 2002, The Sapir College, March 13 2002.

"The Non-Evacuation Policy in the 1948 War- Policy and Actions," The Home Front in Israel's War of Independence, Tel Aviv University, March 6, 2002.

"Eisenhower's Disarmament Dilemma." The Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relation (SHAFR), American University, Washington, June 15, 2001.

"The War on the Roads in Palestine, March 1948 Revisited." Israel War of Independence- New Studies, Jerusalem, May 9, 2001.

"Weapons Without Influence- British Arms Supply Policy to the Middle East, 1945-1958." The Levant in the Middle & Modern Ages, Bar Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, 26 June 1999.

"The Egyptian Front: Political and Military Moves," International Conference: New Records- New Perspectives, World War II, the Holocaust, and the Rise of the State of Israel, Bar Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, December 16, 1998.

"British Arms-Supply Diplomacy in the Middle East, 1945-1955," Sixth Conference of the International Society for the Study of European Ideas (ISSEI), Haifa, August 17, 1998.

"Egypt's First War Moves," in Egypt and the 1948-Reassessment, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, June 30, 1998.

"The Negev and Israel's Strategic Planning of the 1948 War," a conference on "An Army Born in War," IDF Department of History, Tel Aviv, May 11, 1998.

"Israel Road to the 1956 War Revisited," International Conference on The 1956 War- Retrospective, held in Tel Aviv, November 1996. (Organized by Dr. David Tal.)

"The Border Settlements and the Infiltration to Israel", in a Conference on 'The Border Settlements Revisited', by the Ben Gurion Research Center, Beer Sheva Israel, March 1, 1995.

"Israel Retaliation Policy and its National Security Conception", in a Conference on 'The Retaliation Attacks- Military and Political issues', of the Tel Aviv University School Of History with the Ben Gurion Research Center, Tel Aviv Israel, January 9, 1995. (Organized by Dr. David Tal.)

"The 'Kineret Operation' (December 11, 1955) and Israel's Retaliation Policy", in a Conference on 'The Kineret Operation Revisited' by the Ben Gurion Research Center, Sde Boker Israel, December 21, 1993.

"The Practice of the Israel-Syria Armistice Agreements"- A Conference on 'Wars in the Golan Heights' by the Herzl Institute for the Study of Zionism and the Israeli Society of Military History by the Tel Aviv University, Haifa Israel, January 13, 1993.

"Reprisal Attacks in the 1950's"- Seminar of 'Israeli National Security Issues' by the Israeli Society of Military History by the Tel Aviv University and Yad Tabenkin, Tel Aviv Israel, February 12, 1992.

Courses Taught

History of International Relations (Core course, IR Graduate Program)

Introduction to the 20th Century- Culture, Society and Politics (Undergraduate)

History & Historiography of the Cold War (Seminar- Graduate & Undergraduate)

US Nuclear Disarmament Dilemma, 1945-1963 (Seminar- Graduate & Undergraduate)

The Arab - Jewish/Israeli Conflict (Seminar- Graduate & Undergraduate)

History of Modern Israel (Introduction- Undergraduate)

War in Palestine, 1948, History & Historiography (Seminar- Graduate & Undergraduate)

The Great Powers in the Middle East, 1914- Present (Seminar- Graduate & Undergraduate)

History of Israeli Foreign Policy (Seminar- Graduate & Undergraduate)

Issues in Israel National Security, (Seminar- Graduate &
Undergraduate)

The Making of the Israeli- American Relationships
(Undergraduate course)