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## Education

Ph.D., Brandeis University, 1992  
M.A., Brandeis University, 1987  
M.A., Western Seminary (with honors in Semitic Languages), 1982  
Th.B., Multnomah Bible College (with honors in Greek), 1980  
Additional Graduate Studies: Portland State University (1980), The Hebrew University in Jerusalem (1985-87), Harvard Divinity School (1988-89)

## Teaching and Professional Experience

Professor, Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, 2004-current  
Director, Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, 2000-current  
Associate Professor, Near Eastern Studies (1999-2002) and Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, 1999-2004  
Acting Director, Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, Spring 1999  
Visiting Research Professor, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 1995-96  
Assistant Director, Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, 1995-99  
Senior Language and Education Consultant, Aprisa Multimedia Group Inc., Denver, CO, 1994-95  
Program Design and Assessment Specialist, and Senior Hebrew Consultant, Cygnus Inc., Denver, CO, 1993-94  
Affiliated Faculty member, Religious Studies, University of Arizona, 1992-current  
Assistant Professor, Near Eastern Studies and Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, 1992-98  
Adjunct Lecturer, Near Eastern Studies and Judaic Studies, University of Arizona, 1990-92  
Instructor, Hebrew Scripture, Western Seminary, Portland, OR, 1989-90  
Teaching Assistant, Modern and Biblical Hebrew, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, 1987-89  
Educational Design Consultant, BITECH Inc., Seattle, WA, 1982-83

## Publications

### Books

1. *The Early History of Heaven*. Oxford/New York: Oxford University Press, 2000.  
The Association of College and Research Libraries and American Library Association's journal *Choice* named this book "An Outstanding Academic Title for 2000."  
Paperback edition released March 2002.
2. *Baruch ben Neriah: From Biblical Scribe to Apocalyptic Seer*. Studies on Personalities of the Old Testament. Columbia, SC: University of South Carolina Press, 2003.
3. *The Crisis of Monotheism: The Judean Cultic Reforms in Context and Tradition*. Book in preparation.
4. *The Greek Apocalypse of Baruch: A Commentary*. Book in preparation.

### Edited Volumes

1. *Echoes of Many Texts: Reflections on Jewish and Christian Traditions—Essays in Honor of Lou H. Silberman*. Edited by William G. Dever and J. Edward Wright. Brown University Judaic Studies 313. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1997.
2. *Near Eastern Archaeology* 65:1 (2003)—Special Issue, “The House That Albright Built.” Guest editor, J. Edward Wright (contents summarized at [www.asor.org/pubs/nea/65\\_1.html](http://www.asor.org/pubs/nea/65_1.html))
3. *Confronting the Past: Essays in Honor of William G. Dever*. Edited by Seymour Gitin, J. Edward Wright, and J. P. Dessel. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, forthcoming 2005.
4. Series Editor, *The Albert T. Bilgray Lectureship Series*. Tucson, AZ: University of Arizona.
  - 1998: Arnold Band, “Hebrew Literature and the Zionist Narrative”
  - 1997: Amy-Jill Levine, “Threatened Bodies: Women, Apocrypha, Colonialism”
  - 1996: Marc Bregman, “Serah bat Asher: Biblical Origins, Rabbinic Aggadah and Contemporary Folklore”
  - 1995: Susannah Heschel, “Transforming Jesus from Rabbi to Aryan”

#### Journal Articles and Chapters in Books

1. Several contributions to *A Guide to the Midrashim*. Edited by K. William Whitney, Jr. Harvard Divinity School, 1988.
2. “The Issue of the Emerging Canon and the Two Recensions of Jeremiah.” *Theological Research Exchange Network*, 1992.
3. “Baruch: An Ideal Sage.” In *“Go to the Land I Will Show You” : Studies in Honor of Dwight W. Young*. Edited by Joseph P. Coleson and Victor Matthews. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 1996, pp. 193-210.
4. “Judean Desert Caves.” In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Archaeology in the Near East*. Edited by Eric M. Meyers et al. Oxford/New York: Oxford University Press, 1997, vol. 3, pp. 258-59.
5. “Hebrews 11:37 and the Death of the Prophet Ezekiel.” In *Echoes of Many Texts: Reflections on Jewish and Christian Traditions—Essays in Honor of Lou H. Silberman*. Edited by William G. Dever and J. Edward Wright. Brown University Judaic Studies 313. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1997, pp. 147-58.
6. “The Social Setting of the Syriac Apocalypse of Baruch.” *Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha* 16 (1997) 83-98.
7. “Baruch: His Evolution from Scribe to Apocalyptic Seer.” In *Biblical Figures Outside the Bible*. Edited by Michael E. Stone and Theodore A. Bergren. Harrisburg, PA: Trinity Press International, 1998, 264-89.
8. “Ezekiel in the Synagogue Paintings from Dura-Europos.” In *The Apocryphal Ezekiel*. Edited by Michael E. Stone, Benjamin G. Wright, and David Satran. Early Judaism and Its Literature. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 2000, pp. 101-12.
9. “Books of Baruch.” In *Dictionary of New Testament Background*. Edited by Craig A. Evans and Stanley E. Porter. InterVarsity Press, 2000, pp. 148-51.
10. “2 Esdras.” In *Dictionary of New Testament Background*. Edited by Craig A. Evans and Stanley E. Porter. InterVarsity Press, 2000, pp. 337-40.
11. “Biblical Versus Israelite Images of the Heavenly Realm.” *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament*, 93 (2001): 55-71.
12. “Preface.” In Mark Elliott, *Biblical Interpretation Using Archaeological Evidence, 1900-1930*. Lewiston, NY: Edwin Mellen Press, 2002, i-iii.
13. Response to “Was the Biblical Earth Flat?” *Bible Review* XIX:1 (Feb 2003): 50, 52.
14. “W. F. Albright’s Vision of Israelite Religion.” *Near Eastern Archaeology*, Special double issue—“The House That Albright Built: Proceedings of the W. F. Albright Centennial Conference”. Edited by J. Edward Wright, 65:1 (2003): 274-79.
15. “Whither Elijah? The Ascension of Elijah in Biblical and Pseudepigraphic Traditions.” In *Things Revealed: Studies in Early Jewish and Christian Literature in Honor of Michael E. Stone*. Edited by Esther Chazon, David Satran and Ruth Clements. Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplement Series 89. Leiden: Brill, 2004, 123-38.

16. "A Crisis in the Heavens: The Evolution of Early Jewish Ouranography." In *The Inspiration of Astronomical Phenomena: Edition Malta*. Edited by G. V. Coyne, R. M. Sinclair, and R. E. White. Qormi, Malta: Dormax Publishers, forthcoming 2004.
17. Entries on "Baruch," "Baruch, Second Book of (Syriac)," "Baruch, Third Book of (Greek)," and "Baruch, Fourth Book of (Paraleipomenon Jeremiah)," in *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by Katharine D. Sakenfeld, et al. Nashville: Abingdon Press, forthcoming.
- "Elijah's Letter to King Jehoram (2 Chronicles 21:12-15): The Earliest Elianic Pseudepigraphon." Journal article in preparation.
- "Recovering from Disaster: 3 (*Greek Apocalypse of*) *Baruch* and the Abiding Importance of the 'Temple'." Journal article in preparation.

#### Book Reviews

1. Heinz Feltes, *Die Gattung des Habakukkomentars von Qumran*. Würzburg: Echter Verlag, 1986, in *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 51: 3 (1989): 533-35.
2. Bilhah Nitzan, *The Habakkuk Pesher*. Jerusalem: Bialik Institute, 1986 [Hebrew], in *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 51: 3 (1989): 532-33.
3. Martha Himmelfarb, *Ascent to Heaven in Jewish and Christian Apocalypses*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1993, in *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 13:3 (Spring 1995): 81-83.
4. Martha Himmelfarb, *Ascent to Heaven in Jewish and Christian Apocalypses*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1993, in *Theology Today* 51:3 (1994): 490.
5. Robert A. Kugler, *From Patriarch to Priest: The Levi-Priestly Tradition from Aramaic Levi to Testament of Levi*. SBL Early Judaism and Its Literature 9. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1996, in *IOUDAIOS Review* 7.006 (August 1997).
6. John H. Hayes, general editor, *Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation*. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1999, in *Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research* 319 (August 2000): 84-85.
7. James Kugel, *The Bible as It Was*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1997, in *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures*, 2000 (<http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/>).
8. James VanderKam, *Introduction to Early Judaism*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000, in *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 122:1 (2002): 174-75.
9. Jean Bottéro, *The Birth of God: The Bible and the Historian*. Translated by Kees W. Bolle. University Park, PA: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2000, in *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* 21:3 (2003): 165-67.
10. John Dominic Crossan and Jonathan L. Reed, *Excavating Jesus: Beneath the Stones, Behind the Texts*. New York: HarperCollins, 2001, in *Review of Biblical Literature* June 2003, [<http://www.bookreviews.org>].
11. Phillip S. Johnston, *Shades of Sheol: Death and Afterlife in the Old Testament*. Intervarsity Press, 2002, in *Review of Biblical Literature*, September 2003, [<http://www.bookreviews.org>].
12. Mark F. Whitters, *The Epistle of Second Baruch: A Study in Form and Message*. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 2003, in *Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha*, forthcoming 2005.
13. Rikva Nir, *The Destruction of Jerusalem and the Idea of Redemption in the Syriac Apocalypse of Baruch*. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2003, in *Review of Biblical Literature*, forthcoming 2004.

#### Computer Program

Program Design and Assessment Specialist, and Senior Hebrew Consultant for *OLD WORLD HEBREW: A Multimedia, Computer-based Course for Elementary Biblical Hebrew*. Denver: Aprisa Multimedia Group Inc., 1994.

#### Grants, Fellowships and Awards

Member, Interdisciplinary Faculty Committee, “Astrobiology and the Sacred: Implications of Life Beyond Earth,” Steward Observatory, University of Arizona. \$270,000, 3-year grant (2004-2007) from the Templeton Foundation to explore the scientific, religious, and cultural implications of the discovery of life beyond earth.

“Outstanding Academic Title for 2000” award given to my book *The Early History of Heaven* (Oxford, 2000) by the Association of College and Research Libraries and the American Library Association’s journal *Choice*.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Leave, Spring 2000

Fellowship in Jewish Studies, Yad Hanadiv Foundation (Rothschild), Jerusalem, 1995-96

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, American Schools of Oriental Research and the William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, 1995-96

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Junior Sabbatical, University of Arizona, 1996

Scholar-in-Residence Fellowship, United States Information Agency (USIA), 1996, (declined)

United States Information Agency Research Grant, 1995-96

J. Henry Thayer Fellowship, American Schools of Oriental Research and the William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, 1986-87

Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Fellowship, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 1985-86

American Friends of the Hebrew University, Graduate Scholarship, 1985-86

Hirschfield Fellowship, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, 1983-85, 1987-89

Eta Beta Rho Honor Society of the National Association of Professors of Hebrew, 1982

Delta Epsilon Chi Honor Society of the American Association of Bible Colleges, 1980

Award for Outstanding Achievement in Biblical Studies, American Bible Society, 1980

Who’s Who in America, 47th Edition (1993), 58th Edition (2004)

Who’s Who in Religion, Fourth Edition

“Righteous Gentile” Representative, 1998 Holocaust Memorial Service, Sponsored by the Tucson Holocaust Memorial Committee, 19 April 1998

### **Teaching Awards and Recognition**

University of Arizona Five Star Faculty Teaching Award, 2001.

This is the highest teaching award given by the UofA student body and is awarded by the Honors College. In addition to a cash award, the recipient’s name is added to a plaque permanently displayed in the Honors College.

University of Arizona Foundation’s Leicester and Kathryn Sherrill Creative Teaching Award, 2000.

This is the University’s highest faculty peer-reviewed teaching award. In addition to a cash award, a plaque bearing the recipient’s photo is displayed permanently in the Student Union.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Most Distinguished Teaching Award, University of Arizona, 1997

University of Arizona Department of Student Programs Certificate of Recognition, 1995

University of Arizona Center for Off-Campus Students Certificate of Recognition, 1994

Wakonse Foundation Teaching Award, University of Arizona, 1994

University of Arizona 1992 Excellence in Teaching Award

### **Courses Taught**

Brandeis University, 1988-89

Readings in Biblical Hebrew

Western Seminary, 1989-90

Elementary, Intermediate, and Advanced Hebrew

Hebrew Exegesis

Advanced Hebrew Grammar and Syntax

Dead Sea Scrolls

University of Arizona, 1990-

Undergraduate Courses:

History and Religion of Ancient Israel: The Biblical Period (Regular and Honors)  
 History and Religion of Ancient Israel: The Second Temple Period (Regular and Honors)  
 History and Religion of Ancient Israel: The Second Temple Period — University of Arizona Video-Campus Course broadcast across the state  
 Biblical Hebrew  
 Book of Psalms (Regular and Honors)  
 Prophecy in Ancient Israel  
 Early Jewish Literature  
 Introduction to Judaism  
 Introduction to Rabbinic Literature  
 Apocalyptic Imagination  
 Undergraduate Practicum in Judaic Studies  
 Judaic Studies Internship Supervisor  
 Judaic Studies Honors Thesis Supervisor  
 Graduate Courses:  
 Advanced Biblical Hebrew  
 Biblical Aramaic  
 Book of Psalms  
 Early Jewish Literature  
 Elementary Akkadian  
 Graduate Seminar in Early Jewish Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha  
 Graduate Seminar in Ancient Historiography, team-taught with W. G. Dever  
 Graduate Seminar in Semitic Inscriptions, team-taught with W. G. Dever  
 Graduate Seminar in Ancient Israelite Religion, team-taught with W. G. Dever

### **Academic Papers and Lectures**

1. "Ezekiel at Dura-Europos." Series of five lectures for the fortnightly meetings of the Second Temple Period Seminar, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, January-April 1986.
2. "Pseudo-Ezekiel Traditions: The *Nachleben* of a Biblical Figure." J. Henry Thayer Fellow Lecture, William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, March 1987.
3. "Baruch the Ideal Sage." Paper delivered at the annual meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR in Anaheim, CA., 21 November 1989.
4. "Hebrews 11:37 and the Death of the Prophet Ezekiel." Paper delivered at the Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL at Lewis and Clark College, Portland, OR, 5 May 1990.
5. "The Two Recensions of Jeremiah and the Evangelical Theological Society's Statement on Autographa." Paper delivered at the Northwest Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society at Western Seminary, Portland, OR, 16 March 1991. Response to Walter C. Kaiser's critique of this paper.
6. "An Introduction to the Bible." Guest lecture for NES 140, Middle Eastern Humanities, 23 September 1991.
7. "Ancient Israelite Ethics." Guest lecture for NES 140, Middle Eastern Humanities, 30 September 1991.
8. "The Bible and the Roots of Judaism." Guest lecture for JUS 273, Introduction to Judaism, 24 August 1992.
9. "Early Judaisms: Judaism in the Second Temple Period." Guest lecture and slide presentation for JUS 273, Introduction to Judaism, 31 August 1992.
10. "Judaic Studies and the Middle East." Lecture and slide presentation for the University of Arizona Center for Middle Eastern Studies Freshman Colloquium, NES 195A, 15 September 1992.
11. "The Dead Sea Scrolls: Judaism and Christian Origins." University of Arizona Extended University, 14, 21, 28 October and 4 November 1992.
12. "Second Temple Period History." University of Arizona Extended University, 3, 10, 17, 24 January 1993.

13. "The Apocrypha: The Secret Writings of the Jews." University of Arizona Extended University, 13, 20, 27 January, 3 February 1993.
14. "Deuteronomy and the Religions of Ancient Israel." Lecture for honors students in Biblical Studies at Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA, 19 March 1993.
15. "On the *Nachleben* of Biblical Figures: Baruch, A Test Case." Paper delivered at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL at California State University, Fullerton, CA, 19 March 1993.
16. "The Search for Salvation in the Era of Qumran," California Museum of Ancient Art's Symposium on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Los Angeles, CA, 26 April 1993.
17. "First Temple Period History." Series of four lectures for the University of Arizona Extended University, 13, 20, 27 October and 3 November 1993.
18. "The Social Setting of the Syriac Apocalypse of Baruch." Paper delivered at the annual meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR in Washington, DC, 20 November 1993.
19. "The Book of Psalms." Series of four lectures for the University of Arizona Extended University, 5, 12, 19, 26 January 1994.
20. "Textual and Iconographic Traditions on the Death of Ezekiel." Paper delivered at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR at Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 25 March 1994.
21. Participant in a panel discussion on "Biblical Figures in Post-Biblical Literature" at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR at Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 25 March 1994.
22. "Babylonian Creation Myths: A Look at How Babylonians Viewed the World and Their Place in It." Guest lecture for HIST 103, Topics in Civilizations, 29 August 1994.
23. "The Origin and Development of the Biblical Canon." Guest lecture for JUS 273, Introduction to Judaism, 8 September 1994.
24. "Early Judaisms: Judaism in the Second Temple Period." Guest lecture for JUS 273, Introduction to Judaism, 22 September 1994.
25. "Early Jewish Ouranology." Paper prepared in advance and distributed to a panel for the Intertestamental Literature Seminar at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR at The University of Redlands, Redlands, CA, 31 March 1995.
26. Respondent to a panel discussion of "J. Edward Wright's 'Early Jewish Ouranology'" at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL at The University of Redlands, Redlands, CA, 31 March 1995.
27. "Rehabilitating Manasseh: Alternate Views of Judean Religions." Lecture for National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar, "Reimagining the Past," University of Arizona, 19 June 1995.
28. "Religious Diversity in Ancient Israel and Judah." Fall Lectureship, Grace University, Omaha, Nebraska, 23-25 August 1995.
29. "Prophetic Initiation in Israel and Judah." Lecture at Trinity Western University, Langley, British Columbia, 26 October 1995.
30. "The Early History of Heaven." Post-Doctoral Fellow's Lecture, William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, 1 February 1996.
31. "Determining the Social Settings of Ancient Apocalypses: The Syriac Apocalypse of Baruch as a Test Case." Paper presented at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR at The Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, 24 March 1997.
32. "Biblical Versus Israelite Images of 'Heaven'." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Western Jewish Studies Association, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 8 April 1997.
33. "From Biblical to Post-biblical Historiography." Guest lecture for NES 596Q, Near Eastern Studies Graduate Seminar, 9 October 1997.
34. "Whither Elijah: The 'Ascension' of Elijah in Biblical and Pseudepigraphic Tradition." Paper presented for the Pseudepigrapha Section at the Annual Meetings of the AAR/SBL in San Francisco, CA, 22-25 November 1997.
35. "Israelite Altars and Cultic Sites." Lecture for Religious Studies Department, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, 8 January 1998.

36. "The People of the Dead Sea Scrolls." Organizer and Moderator for a special joint-session of the SBL Intertestamental Literature Section and the National Association of Professors of Hebrew at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/NAPH at Claremont Graduate School, Claremont CA, 15-17 March 1998.
37. "Heavenly Speculations." Lecture for Committee on Religious Studies Colloquium, University of Arizona, 13 April 1998.
38. "Whither Elijah: The 'Ascent' of Elijah in Ancient Near Eastern, Biblical and Post-biblical Contexts." Lecture for the Hebrew Bible Seminar, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, 11 June 1998.
39. "The Early History of Heaven." The Dorsha Wallman Lecture in Modern Torah Interpretation, the Lipinsky Institute's New Perspectives in Judaic Studies Lectureship Series, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA, 23 September 1998.
40. "A Crisis in the Heavens: The Evolution of Early Jewish Ouranology." The Inspiration of Astronomical Phenomena (INSAP), Second Conference. Sponsored by the Stewart Observatory, the National Science Foundation, and the Vatican Observatory on the Island Republic of Malta, 7-14 January 1999.
41. "Recovering From Disaster: 3 (Greek Apocalypse of) Baruch and the Abiding Importance of the Temple." Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR/NAPH at the University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA 14-16 March 1999.
42. "Remodeling the House that Albright Built: W. F. Albright's Vision of Israelite Religion." W. F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research and the American Schools of Oriental Research Centennial Symposium, Cambridge, MA, 19 November 1999.
43. "The One and the Many: The Evolution of Early Jewish Images of the Heavenly Realm." Paper presented for the Social History of Judaism and Formative Christianity Section at the 1999 Annual Meetings of the AAR/SBL in Boston, MA, 21 November 1999.
44. "Speaking of Heaven, ..." Presidential Address for the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR/NAPH at Azusa Pacific University, 16-18 April 2000.
45. Chair for "Judaism in the Greco-Roman Era" session at the Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/ASOR/NAPH at Azusa Pacific University, Los Angeles, CA, 16-18 April 2000.
45. Respondent to papers on "Household Economy in Iron II Israel." W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research and the American Schools of Oriental Research Centennial Symposium at the Israel Museum, Jerusalem, 29-31 May 2000.
46. "The Pseudepigraphic Imagination at Work: Creating and Recreating Baruch ben Neriah in Early Jewish and Christian Traditions." Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL/NAPH at Claremont University, Los Angeles, CA, 11 March 2001.
47. "The Early History of Heaven." The Cobb Institute of Archaeology, Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS, 17 April 2001.
48. "The Vanishing Prophet: The Fate of Elijah in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Tradition." Dept. of Religious Studies and Program in Judaic Studies Faculty Seminar, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, Nov 11 2001.
49. "Reinventing Baruch: Baruch ben Neriah in History and Tradition." NES Department's Distinguished Lecture Series, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, 5 March 2002.
50. "Community Outreach Programming at a State University." Annual Meeting of the Western Jewish Studies Association at St. Mary's College, Moraga, CA, 25 March 2002.
51. "The Stones Finally Cry Out: Excavating Jesus according to Crossan and Reed." Annual Western Regional Meetings of the AAR/SBL at St. Mary's College, Moraga, CA, 25 March 2002.
52. "The Archaeology of Heaven." Lecture for Distinguished Lecture Series, University of Judaism, Los Angeles, CA, 7 October 2002.
53. Moderator, "Judaism in the Greco-Roman Era" Section, Society of Biblical Literature, Pacific Coast Region Annual Meeting, University of California at Davis, 22-24 March 2003.
54. "The Archaeology of Heaven." Archaeological Institute of America, Tucson Society, 27 March 2003.
55. "All the Hosts of Heaven: Astronomy in Ancient Israel Revisited ." INSAP IV Conference, Magdalen College, Oxford University, 3-9 August 2003.

56. "For Heaven's Sake: Visions of Heaven and the People They Inspire." College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Lecture, West Chester University, West Chester, PA, 29 March 2004.

### **Public Lectures/Talks/Interviews**

1. "Rachel's Voice: Women's Authorship of the Torah?" Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 27 October 1991.
2. "Deuteronomy, Tradition, and the Teaching of Values in Judaism and Christianity." Casas Adobes Baptist Church, Tucson, AZ, 10 and 17 November 1991.
3. "The Judaisms of the Masses: Light from Hidden Sources." Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 4 December 1991.
4. "The History and Mystery of Hanukkah." University of Arizona Hillel, 5 December 1991.
5. "The Jewish Festivals in Christian Tradition." Catalina United Methodist Church, Tucson, AZ, 23 June 1992.
6. "The Dead Sea Scrolls and the History of the Bible." Casas Adobes Baptist Church, Tucson, AZ, 6 September 1992.
7. "The History and Mystery of Hanukkah." Congregation Chaverim, Tucson, AZ, 11 December 1992.
8. "The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Common Roots of Jewish and Christian Spirituality." Associated Congregations for the Advancement of Human Rights and Services (ACCORD) Forum on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church, Tucson, AZ, 14 February 1993.
9. "The Impact of the Dead Sea Scrolls on Interfaith Dialogue." Associated Congregations for the Advancement of Human Rights and Services (ACCORD) Forum on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Anshei Israel Synagogue, Tucson, AZ, 21 February 1993.
10. "The Mystical Side of Judaism." Hadassah of Tucson, Tucson, AZ, 21 April 1993.
11. "Religious Pluralism at the End of the Twentieth Century." Gila Residence Hall, University of Arizona, 5 October 1993.
12. "The Cosmopolitan Jew and the Legacy of the Second Temple Period." Congregation Chaverim, Tucson, AZ, 8 October 1993.
13. "Popular Judaisms—What the Ancient Rabbis Didn't Want You to Know." Western Regional Meeting of the Brandeis University National Women's Committee, Tucson, AZ, 27 October 1993.
14. "Judaism, Christianity and Islam in Jerusalem Today." Hillel/Bnei Brith, University of Arizona, 10 February 1994.
15. "History of Israel and Judaism." Lecture for "Workshop on Israel for Pre-Service and K-12 Teachers" at Bonillas Middle School sponsored by the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, 19 April 1994.
16. "Who Put You in Charge?: Models of Early Jewish Communal Leadership." Fall Adult Education Series, Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 9 October 1994.
17. "Models of Early Jewish Leadership." Hillel/Bnei Brith, University of Arizona, 8 November 1994.
18. "The Bible in Modern American Society." Congregation Chaverim, Tucson, AZ, 11 November 1994.
19. "Who Wrote the Bible." Adult Education Series, St. Philip's In the Hills Episcopal Church, Tucson, AZ, 8 January 1995.
20. "Apocalypse Then and Now." Congregation Chaverim, Tucson, AZ, 13 January 1995.
21. "Prophets and Prophecy in Ancient Israel." Adult Education Series, St. Philip's In the Hills Episcopal Church, Tucson, AZ, 15 January 1995.
22. "The Bible in Contemporary Scholarship." Tucson Association of Churches, Tucson, AZ, 11 October, 1995.
23. "An American-in-Israel's Response to the IDF Bombings in Southern Lebanon." Interview for ABC Television and Radio, Jerusalem, Israel, 19 April 1996.
24. "Israel Today: Views from Both Sides." University of Arizona Speakers Service Lecture for OASIS (Older Adult Service and Information System), Tucson, AZ, 30 October 1996.
25. "The Early History of Heaven." Lecture for UofA Hillel/Bnei-Brith, 15 November 1996.
26. "The Early History of Heaven." Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 17 November 1996.



27. "King Manasseh and New Approaches to Religious Diversity in Ancient Israel." Lecture for the Zionist Organization of America Public Forum on the Middle East, Tucson, AZ, 19 December 1996.
28. "Jewish and Christian Origins." Series of three lectures for the Arizona Interfaith Council and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Jewish Community Center, Tucson, AZ, 6, 13, 20 January 1997.
29. "The Peoples of the Middle East and How They Live." Lecture for students at Copper Creek Elementary School, Oro Valley, AZ, 10 January 1997.
30. "Rhythms of Life: Praise and Lament in the Biblical Psalms." Workshop for Anshei Israel Synagogue's Havurah, Tucson, AZ, 19 January 1997.
31. "The Early History of Heaven." Lecture for the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Tucson Hebrew Academy, Tucson, AZ, 25 January 1997.
32. "The Apocalyptic Imagination: Ancient Roots and Modern Manifestations." Series of three lectures for the Arizona Interfaith Council and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Jewish Community Center, Tucson, AZ, 3, 10, 17 February 1997.
33. "The Early History of Heaven." St. Philip's In the Hills Episcopal Church, Tucson, AZ, 2 March 1997.
34. "Jerusalem: Conflicts in the City of Peace." El Camino Baptist Church, 5 March 1997.
35. "Jewish Origins—Diversity in Early Judaisms." Series of three lectures for the Arizona Interfaith Council and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Jewish Community Center, Tucson, AZ, 3, 10, 17 November 1997.
36. "The Ancient Origins of the Jewish Diaspora." Lecture for the Kulanu Foundation, Tucson, AZ, 14 December 1997.
37. "The Early History of Heaven." Series of three lectures for the Arizona Interfaith Council and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Jewish Community Center, Tucson, AZ, 5, 12, 19 January 1998.
38. "Current Issues in the History and Religions of Ancient Israel." 1998 Distinguished Lecture Series, The Jewish Federation of Lane County, Eugene, OR, 6-8 January 1998.
39. "Prof. explains how heaven has changed." Eugene Register Guard, Eugene OR, 7 January 1998, Section C, pp. 1, 3. Newspaper article by Jeff Wright based on interview regarding my book, *The Early History of Heaven*, and my lectureship for The Jewish Federation of Lane County.
40. "Monotheism and the Origins of the Idea of Heaven." KLCC Radio (Eugene OR) hour-long interview with Alan Saporin for Sunday morning program "Critical Mass," aired 11 January 1998, 12-1pm.
41. "Will the Real Ancient Israel Please Stand Up: The Reinvention of Biblical History in Modern Scholarship." Lecture for the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Tucson Hebrew Academy, Tucson, AZ, 24 January 1998.
42. "Worlds Apart: The People of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Their World." Organizer and Presenter for a Lectureship Series sponsored by the Arizona Interfaith Council and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Jewish Community Center, Tucson, AZ, 8 and 15 February 1998.
43. "Olam Ha-Ba': Earliest Images of the World to Come and the Hopes They Inspire." University of Arizona Speaker's Service Lecture for the Brandeis University National Women's Committee, Tucson, AZ, 17 February 1998.
44. "The Early History of Heaven." Faculty Research in Progress Lecture, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, 24 February 1998.
45. Interviewed for the "Street Fare" section of the *Tucson Monthly* magazine (March 1998, pp. 8-9); quoted (p. 9) regarding the mood on campus 1 April 1997, the day after the UofA basketball team won the National Championship.
46. Interviewed for the *Tucson Citizen* (Monday March 2, 1998, A1, A4): "Looking for Abraham: UA geneticist finds no father;" quoted on scholarly approaches to early history of Israel from perspective of modern biblical studies. This newspaper article focused on Michael Hammer's work on Jewish genetics.
47. "Yafet in the Tents of Jacob: A Non-Jew in Judaic Studies." Lecture for Rabbis' Forum, Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 6 May 1998.

48. "Ecclesiastes: On Life, Love and Learning." University of Arizona Campus Christian Center's "Last Lecture Series," 25 October 1998.
49. "The Wonders of Ancient Egypt." Slide and Artifact Presentation for four sixth grade classes at Wilson Middle School, Oro Valley, AZ, 13 November 1998.
50. "The Early History of Heaven." Lecture for the Brooklyn College Alumni Luncheon, Hilton Hotel, Tucson, AZ, 6 December 1998.
51. "From Waltham to Tucson: The Brandeis-UofA Judaic Studies Connections." Lecture for Brandeis University National Women's Committee (Tucson Chapter) 50th Anniversary, Tucson, AZ, 1 February 1999.
52. "Biblical Figures Outside the Bible." Lecture for the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Tucson Hebrew Academy, Tucson, AZ, 6 February 1999.
53. "Images of Heaven." UofA Speakers Service Lecture for the Green Valley Forum, Green Valley, AZ, 7 April 1999.
54. "Evening of Remembrance: Rabbi Albert T. Bilgray." Organizer and emcee for program featuring Tucson Mayor George Miller, local rabbis, and representatives from the University and Tucson Medical Center sponsored by the Bilgray Lectureship Committee at Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 11 April 1999.
55. "Jews in the Christian Millennium." Lecture for UofA Hillel/Bnei-Brith, 7 May 1999.
56. "Early Jewish Images of the World to Come." Lecture for Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona's LIMUD Program Opening Gala, Tucson, AZ, 29 September 1999.
57. "When Zion Wept: Jerusalem and Her Conquerors." Lecture for PANAI (Parents of North Americans in Israel), Tucson Jewish Community Center, 3 October 1999.
58. "Strategies for Jewish Survival in Antiquity." Lecture for the Kulanu Foundation, Tucson, AZ, 5 December 1999.
59. "The Early History of Heaven." Lecture and book-signing at Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Tucson, AZ 20 May 2000.
60. "Sukkot in Trying Times." Talk for the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Israel Center's Sukkot Celebration, 15 September 2000.
61. "The Exodus in 'Historical' Perspective. Lecture for Sekhel veLev Adult Study Series, UofA Hillel, 11 October 2000.
62. "Teaching at the University of Arizona: A Round Table Discussion." UofA Parents' Association, 13 October 2000.
63. "A History of Heaven and Hell." Co-taught course with Prof. Alan Bernstein at Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 18, 25 Oct, 1, 8 Nov 2000.
64. "Ancient Jewish Drama." Judaic Studies *Sekhel veLev* Lecture Series, Wednesday's January-February 2001.
65. "Shalshet HaKabbalah: History of the Jewish Textual Tradition." Temple Emanu-el, Tucson, AZ, 10 Feb 2001.
66. "The Future of Judaic Studies." Bnei Brith Tucson Lodge, Tucson, AZ, 22 April 2001.
67. "Judaic Studies at the UofA." Jewish Family and Children's Services Holocaust Survivors Assoc., Tucson, AZ, 12 June 2001.
68. "New Year, New World, New Heart: From Heartbreak to Hope in the New Year." Kol Nidre Sermon for UofA Hillel/Bnei-Brith, 26 Sept 2001.
69. "Middle East Revolutionary/Terrorist Organizations." Urban League of Tucson. 22 October 2001.
70. "Steps on Life's Ladder of Success." UofA College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Honors Convocation Faculty Address, 26 October 2001.
71. "A Tour of Heaven: Visions of Heaven in Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Tradition." Temple Emanuel, Tempe, AZ, 11 November 2001.
72. "Virgins, Virtues, and Verdant Places: Images of Heaven and What They Inspire." College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Salon Series. Lodge on the Desert, Tucson, AZ, 20 November 2001.
73. "Baruch ben Neriah and Models of Ideal Jewish Leadership." Tucson Jewish Community Center's Annual Book Fair Lecture, 5 December 2001.
74. Technical Advisor to "The Light and the Hammer: A Hanukkah Play" by Rebecca Marchant. Premiere Performance in Tucson, AZ November-December 2001.

75. Interviewed for “Closer Together: Hanukkah, Ramadan, Christmas.” *Arizona Daily Star* 17 December 2001, A-1, A-9 (quoted on A-9).
76. Moderator for “Regions in Conflict,” JUS Sekhel veLev Adult Education Series, January-February 2002.
77. “The Divine Presence in Biblical Thought.” Shalom Mennonite Christian Church, Tucson, AZ, 20 January 2002.
78. “The Jewish Apocalyptic Imagination.” Lecture for “Hallonot: Windows on the Jewish World,” Adult Education Series presented by UofA Judaic Studies and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, 27 January 2002.
79. “The Religious Front of the War on Terrorism.” Lecture for Tucson Chapter of Hadassah, 26 February 2002.
80. “Passing the Torch: Learners and Leaders at the University of Arizona.” Lecture for the UofA Flinn Scholars and Honors College Annual Reception and Dinner, 20 March 2002.
81. “The Middle East Conflict and the UofA.” Lecture for Brandeis University National Women’s Committee, Tucson Chapter, 25 April 2002.
82. “Through Many Strands, Strength.” Lecture for opening of “Many Voices, One People,” series sponsored by UofA Judaic Studies and Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona. Tucson Jewish Community Center, 3 October 2002.
83. “Perceptions of Israel and the Middle East Among College Students.” Lecture for National Hadassah Convention. Marriott Hotel, Tucson, AZ, 6 October 2002.
84. “Envisioning the Future: The End Game in the Palestinian—Israeli Conflict.” Lecture for UofA Da’at Faculty Caucus Series on the Middle East Conflict, 30 October 2002.
85. Interviewed for and quoted in “Earning Heavenly Rewards,” *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, 2 November 2002, B-1ff.
86. “The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict and the UofA Campus Community.” UofA Hillel, 14 November 2002.
87. “King Manasseh: Could He Have Been All That Bad?” Lecture for “Hallonot: Windows on the Jewish World,” Adult Education Series presented by UofA Judaic Studies and the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, 25 January 2003.
88. “Road Maps and Lost Ways: Israel’s Continuing Crisis a Year Later.” Lecture for Tucson Chapter of Hadassah, 25 February 2003.
89. “From Prophets to Non-Profits: Models of Jewish Communal Leadership.” Lecture for City College of New York Alumni Association’s Tucson Chapter, 6 April 2003.
90. “Doing Business with Israelis and Palestinians in Jerusalem: Experiences at an American Academic Institution in the Holy City.” Afternoon seminar for editorial staff of Arizona Daily Star Newspaper, 17 September 2003.
91. “Reinventing Biblical Stories: Baruch ben Neriah.” Lecture for Tucson Jewish Community Center’s Annual Bookfare, 12 November 2003.
92. “Israel—UofA Connections.” Lecture for PNAI (Parents of North American Israelis), Tucson Jewish Community Center, 14 December 2003.
93. “Baruch ben Neriah: From Biblical Scribe to Apocalyptic Seer.” Three session mini-course for Judaic Studies’ *Sekhel veLev* series, January 2004.
94. “Apocalypse Then and Now: Apocalyptic Ideology and the Religious Tensions in the Middle East Conflict.” University of Alaska and Juneau Peace Alliance, 19 October 2004.
95. “Town and Gown: Judaic Studies’ Relationship to the Community.” Lecture for the Community Foundation for Jewish Education of Metropolitan Chicago, 8 November 2004.

### **Grants and Fundraising Activities**

Center for Judaic Studies Endowment, \$2 Million, 2003-05 (\$1.25 million committed, \$1 million pending)

“Intercultural Studies” Building Fundraising Initiative, \$6 million (This represents Judaic Studies’ and UA Hillel’s responsibility for the private component of what is an overall \$70 million project. \$1

million has already been committed, and \$6 million remains to be raised. Project and fundraising are in the quite stage).

Pozez Foundation Grant, \$14,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, October 2004

Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Grant, \$3,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, May 2004

Annual Judaic Studies Director's Fundraising Effort, \$17,500, October, 2004

Tom and Sara Boren Philanthropic Foundation gift for Elie Wiesel Lecture, \$27,000, Fall 2004

Administrative Support Grant, Shandel Foundation, \$2,700 Fall 2004

Judaic Studies Graduate Student Scholarship (anonymous donor), \$5,000, Fall 2003

International Visitor Grant, UofA Office of International Affairs, \$800, Fall 2003

Tom and Sara Boren Philanthropic Foundation gift for Lectureship Series, \$12,000, Fall 2003.

Tom and Sara Boren Philanthropic Foundation gift to support JUS development activities, \$3,000, Summer 2003

Shandel Foundation Jewish Cultural Arts Programming Endowment, \$100,000 Initial Endowment, Summer 2003 (additional \$650,000 will come as a planned Estate Gift)

Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Grant, \$3,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, May 2003

Travel Grant, Office of Overseas Programs, University of Arizona, \$800, May 2003

Annual Judaic Studies Director's Fundraising Effort, \$27,000, January, 2003

Pozez Foundation Grant, \$10,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, January & July 2003

Sponsored Course, "Israel, Islam and the West," \$6,500, July 2002; \$7,000 Apr 2003; \$10,000 Aug 2003

Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Critical Needs Grant, \$3,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, June 2002

*Sekhel veLev* revenues, \$3,000, March 2002

Annual Judaic Studies Director's Fundraising Effort, \$45,000, January, 2002

Dorot Foundation Summer Student Travel Grant for University of Arizona Judaic Studies, \$15,000, 2002-2004

Pozez Foundation Grant, \$10,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, January 2002

International Visitor Grant, UofA Office of International Affairs, \$725, Fall 2001

Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Critical Needs Grant, \$3,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, June 2001

Shandel Foundation Student Travel Scholarships in Judaic Studies, \$40,000 Endowment, Fall 2001

Irene and Jack Sarver Foundation Student Scholarship, \$40,000 Endowment, scholarships to be awarded annually by Judaic Studies, 2001-

Kaiserman Foundation Student Travel Grant, \$2,000 grant annually, Spring 2001-

Shandel Foundation Gift for Holocaust Lecture, \$500, April 2001

*Sekhel veLev* revenues, \$3,300, March 2001

Raphael Patai Bi-annual Lectureship Series, \$10,000 Endowment, July 2000

Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Critical Needs Grant, \$3,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, June 2000

Pozez Foundation Grant, \$10,000 for Judaic Studies' Pozez Lectureship Series, January 2001

Annual Judaic Studies Director's Fundraising Effort, \$27,000, January 2001.

Travel Grant, Office of Overseas Programs, University of Arizona, \$800, May 2000

Jerusalem Conference Gift, David Mehl and Cottonwood Enterprises, \$2,000, December 1999.

Arizona Humanities Council Program Grant, \$3,000, 1999-2000.

Travel Grant to Malta, Office of Overseas Programs, University of Arizona, \$600, January 1999.

Dorot Foundation Summer Student Travel Grant for University of Arizona Judaic Studies, \$15,000, 1999-2001

Research Fellowship, Yad Hanadiv/Barecha Foundation (Rothschild), Jerusalem, \$24,000, 1995-96.

J. Henry Thayer Pre-Doctoral Research Fellowship, American Schools of Oriental Research and the William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, \$12,500, 1986-87.

American Friends of the Hebrew University, Graduate Scholarship, 1985-1986 (\$2,000)

Graduate Research Fellowship, Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, \$2,500, 1985-86.

Hirschfield Fellowship, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, \$7,000 annually in 1983-85; \$11,000 annually in 1987-89.

## University and Professional Service

Department

Appointment Status: 1990-2002, Near Eastern Studies 51%; Judaic Studies 49%  
2002-current, Judaic Studies 100%

Advisor for Judaic Studies Majors, Judaic Studies, 1991-95; 1997-2000

Advisor for Judaic Studies Honors Students, Judaic Studies, 1991-

Language Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 1991-2002

Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 1991-93; 1997-98

Executive Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 1991-93, 1997-99

Judaic Studies Honors Thesis Supervisor

Josef Schwartz, "Medical Practices of the Ancient Israelites," 1992

Ted Glenn, "A Digitized Model for the 1967 Six Days War," 1993

Ted Williams, "'And,' Then What? The Use of Vav in Classical Hebrew Clausal Constructions," 1999

Sandy Ford, "From Mary to Mariology: Images of Mary," 2002

Joel Simon, "The Akedah Through Time: Interpretations of the Binding of Isaac in Historical Context," 2002

Stephanie Berman, "Jewish Medical Ethics," 2003

Robert Glazer, "Evolution or Revolution in Jewish Law," 2004

Kimberly Nowick, "From the Depths of Despair: Stages of Grief as Expressed in the Individual Psalms of Lament," 2004

Religious Studies Honors Thesis Supervisor

Chad Farley, "Inner-Biblical Interpretation and the Ideology of the Deuteronomistic Historians," 2003

Josh Wright, "The 'Business' of Jewish Communal Service: A New Model," 2005

Organized with William G. Dever the Symposium honoring Lou H. Silberman, "Origins: Early Judaism and Christianity in Historical and Ecumenical Perspective," 19 April 1993

Curriculum Coordinator for Judaic Studies, 1993-95, 1998-2000

Chair, Staff Search Committee for Judaic Studies, October 1993

Judaic Studies Representative before SBS Strategic Planning Committee, Fall 1993

Near Eastern Studies Representative before SBS Strategic Planning Committee, Fall 1993

Curriculum and Staffing Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 1992

Chair, Curriculum and Staffing Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 1992-93

Search Committee for Head of Near Eastern Studies, 1993-94

Search Committee for Director of Judaic Studies, 1993-94; 1994-95

Search Committee for Modern Jewish Historian, Judaic Studies, 1994-95

Chair, Grievance Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 1994-95

Curriculum Committee, Judaic Studies, 1995-2000

Assistant Director, Judaic Studies, 1995-99

Chair, Charles and Gertrude Gordon Foundation Scholarship Committee, 1996-2000

Judaic Studies "Faculty Ace," 1996

NES Colloquium Committee, 1996-97

Near Eastern Studies Academic Performance Review Committee, 1998-99

Near Eastern Studies Space Allocation Committee, 1998-99

Chair, Judaic Studies Curriculum Revision Committee, 1998-99

Near Eastern Studies Development/Endowment Committee, 1998-

Search Committee for Arabic Language Instructor, Near Eastern Studies, Spring 1999

Chair, Search Committee for Modern Jewish Historian, Judaic Studies, 1999-2000

Creator and Organizer of Judaic Studies' Adult Education Outreach Series "Sekhel veLev" which meets weekly in mid-day from January through April, 2000-.

Organized annual Shaol Pozez Memorial Lectureship Series (arranged for annual gift of \$10,000 and annual supporting grant of \$3,000, enlisted cosponsors [Jewish Community Center, Doubletree Hotel, Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona], invited lecturers, created the series brochure, and supervised travel, accommodations, dinners and receptions in honor of 6-7 lectures annually), 2000-

Organized semi-annual “Judaic Studies Newsletter” (Fall and Spring issues average 12-16 pages each), 2000-.

Search Committee for NES Department Head, 2000-01

Peer Review Committee, Near Eastern Studies, 2000-02

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee for Dr. Kamran Talattof, Near Eastern Studies, 2001-02

Created “Judaic Studies Guest Lecture Series” (JUS sponsored or co-sponsored lectures on campus), 2001-

Co-established “UofA-ASU Judaic Studies Faculty Colloquium” which meets semi-annually, 2001-

Established “Judaic Studies Faculty Recognition Luncheon” to celebrate faculty who published books that calendar year, 2001-.

Created in conjunction with the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona’s Division of Adult Education the Judaic Studies Rabbinic Panel discussion series “Different Voices, One People,” 2002-

Created in conjunction with the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona’s Division of Adult Education the Judaic Studies Public Forum “Hallonot: Windows on the Jewish World,” 2002-

Doctoral and Master’s Committees, Near Eastern Studies—63 total

Reader and Examiner for MA Qualifying Exams (20)

- Penny Clifford, 13 March 1992
- Troy Sagrillo, 6 April 1992
- Rosanna Pfeiffer, 1 May 1992
- Hiraoki Watanabe, 6 May 1992
- Lisa Mariso, 5 February 1993
- Steven Ortiz, 9 November 1993
- Tom Jull, 10 November 1993
- James Hardin, 3 February 1994
- Michael Hasel, 4 May 1994
- Sara Gardiner, 13 April 1995
- Karen Borstad, 2 November 1995
- Katherine MacKay, 14 November 1995
- Jennifer Groves, 20 November 1996
- Alysia Fischer, 5 December 1996
- Laura Mazow, 11 April 1997
- Theodore Burgh, 4 February 1998
- Abigail Limmer, 2 March 1988
- Jennie Ebeling, 9 March 1998
- Shaun Sullivan, 2 April 1999
- Kerry Adams, 1 December 1999

Reader and Examiner for Ph.D. Preliminary Exams (16)

- Randall Younker, 11 May 1992
- Dale Manor, 9 December 1993
- Michael Hasel, 8 May 1995
- Gary Christopherson, 31 October 1995
- Hiraoki Watanabe, 12 December 1995
- Karen Borstad, 3 September 1997
- Steven Ortiz, 12 February 1998
- Sara Gardner, 2 April 1998
- Jennie Ebeling, 4 May 1998
- Theodore Burgh, 26 August 1998
- Kate MacKay, 13 October 1998
- Laura Mazow, 1 December 2000
- Lisa Mariso-Cole, 9 February 2001

Kerry Adams, 28 March 2001  
 Abigail Limmer, 16 May 2001  
 Jennifer Groves, 6 March 2002  
 Reader and Examiner for Ph.D. Dissertation Defenses (14)  
 Beth Alpert Nakhai, 12 April 1993  
 Randall Younker, 22 February 1995  
 Dale Manor, 10 May 1995  
 Michael Hasel, 11 November 1996  
 Randall Younker, 18 December 1996  
 Karen Borstad, 31 March 2000  
 Theodore Burgh, 7 April 2000  
 Steven Ortiz, 17 May 2000  
 Gary Christopherson, 30 October 2000  
 Karen Borstad, 2 November 2000  
 James Hardin, 27 November 2000  
 Jennie Ebeling, 11 April 2001  
 Hiroaki Watanabe, 6 December 2001  
 Sara Gardner, 18 April 2002  
 Lisa Mariso-Cole, 4 November 2003.  
 Major Advisor and Chair for MA Qualifying Exams (5)  
 Mary Holcomb, 11 January 1994  
 Mark Elliott, 13 December 1994  
 Elizabeth Jackson, 11 September 1995  
 Elizabeth Willett, 21 October 1995  
 Edward Diller, 20 September 1996  
 Dissertation Advisor (5)  
 Mark Elliott, 1994-98  
 Elizabeth Willett, 1995-99  
 Mary Holcomb, 1994-2003  
 Laura Mazow, 2004-  
 Abigail Limmer, 2004-  
 Major Advisor and Chair for Ph.D. Preliminary Exams (3)  
 Mark Elliott, 30 October 1995: "Archaeology and Biblical Interpretation: 1900-1930"  
 Elizabeth Willett, 16 April 1998: "Women and Household Shrines in Ancient Israel"  
 Mary Holcomb, 27 April 1999: "Diet in the Hebrew Bible and Iron Age Israel"  
 Major Advisor and Chair for Ph.D. Dissertation Defenses (2)  
 Mark Elliott, 6 March 1998: "Archaeology and Biblical Interpretation: 1900-1930"  
 Elizabeth Willett, 13 November 1998: "Women and Household Shrines in Ancient Israel"

#### College and University

College of Arts and Sciences Grade Appeal Committee, 1991-92  
 Faculty Representative on the 1992 Student Employee of the Year Selection Committee  
 Mentor, Advising Center for Exploratory Students, 1992-93  
 Judaic Studies Representative, University Composition Board, 1992-94  
 Reader, Upper-Division Writing Proficiency Exams: 12 Dec 1991; 6 May 1994  
 Religious Studies Committee, Faculty of Humanities, 1993-  
 Judaic Studies Representative on the Campus Library Council, 1993-  
 University's Faculty Representative, Albert Bilgray Lectureship Committee, 1993-2000  
 Governing Board Member, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, US Department of Education and  
 University of Arizona, 1993-99  
 Search Committee for Director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, 1994  
 Member of University of Arizona Hillel Review Committee, National Hillel/Bnei-Brith Association, 17  
 October 1994

Member of Provost's "Individuals and Societies" Undergraduate Core Curriculum Revision Committee, 1994

Established at University of Arizona the 'Ayin Chapter of Eta Beta Rho, the Honor Society of the National Association of Professors of Hebrew, 1995

Faculty Advisor, Eta Beta Rho, Honor Society of the National Association of Professors of Hebrew, 1995-2001

Capital Allocations Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, 1997, 1999

Faculty Advisor, First Year Students of Hillel, University of Arizona Hillel/Bnei-Brith, 1998

Dean's *ad hoc* Committee to Respond to Provost's Proposed Performance Objectives for the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Fall 1998

University-Wide Faculty Teaching Awards Committee, Office of the Vice President for Undergraduate Education, 2000-01

Mentor for Junior Faculty Alex Nava, Dept. of Classics, College of Humanities, 2001-2004

UofA Hillel/Bnei Brith's Joseph and Edith Swirsky Israel Scholarship Award, October 2000

Moderator for Campus-wide "Middle East Updates," 18 Oct, 1 Nov 2000, 28 Mar 2001

Search Committee for Vice-President of Undergraduate Education, Office of the Provost, Fall 2000-Spring 2002.

UofA Faculty Senate, 2001-03

UofA Academic Personnel Policy Committee, 2001-04

Chair, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' 5<sup>th</sup> Year Review Committee for Dr. Joe Wilder, Director of the UofA Southwest Studies Center, Fall 2002.

Moderator for Da'at Faculty Caucus' Weekly Series "Different Perspectives on the Middle East Conflict," September-November 2002

Moderator for "Differing Jewish Views on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict." Sponsored by Judaic Studies, Hillel, Association for Justice and Peace in the Middle East, 18 November 2002.

UofA Fulbright Scholarship Awards Committee, 2002-current

Moderator, "Commodities and Luxury Items in the Ancient Near East." Middle East and North Africa Graduate Student Organization 4th Annual Graduate Student Forum, 7 March 2003.

Faculty Advisor, UA Hillel, 2003-

Member of Interdisciplinary Committee, "Astrobiology and the Sacred: Implications of Life Beyond Earth." This committee of UofA faculty won a \$270,000 grant from the Templeton Foundation to explore the scientific, religious, and cultural impact of the discovery of intelligent life beyond the earth. The grant is for three years, 2004-2007.

Member, Tenure Review Committee for Alex Nava, Department of Classics, College of Humanities, 2004.

Member, University of Arizona Foundation Leicester & Kathryn Sherrill Creative Teaching Award selection committee. Office of the Provost, 2004-2005.

#### Scholarly/Professional Organizations

Board of Trustees, William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, 1996-

- Officer, 2002-current
  - Treasurer
  - Executive Committee
  - Investment Committee (Chair, 2004-05)
- Academic Trustee, 1996-2002
  - Fellowship Committee Member, allocating over \$250,000 in research fellowships annually, 1996-2003
  - Mellon Foundation Fellowship Committee Member—fellowships for scholars from Eastern Europe to study at the Albright Institute in Jerusalem, 1999-2003
  - Centennial Celebration Symposium Committee—"Symbiosis, Symbolism and Power of the Past: Ancient Israel from the Late Bronze Age through the Roman Period." The Israel Museum, Jerusalem 28-31 May 2000

Institutional Representative, American Schools of Oriental Research, 2000-



Committee for University of California, Los Angeles Graduate Student in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations

- Bobby Duke, Doctoral Dissertation, 2004-

Committees for Arizona State University Graduate Students in Religious Studies

- Agata Kaluszynska, Master's Thesis, 2002-03
- Tom Brunty, Master's Thesis, 2002-03

Grant Reviewer, Collaborative Research Program, National Endowment for the Humanities, 2003

External Reviewer for Faculty Research Grants, The Canada Council for the Arts, 2000-2001 (Research grants for Canadian professors, awarding a total of over \$70,000 each year per grant; total of 16 grants)

External Academic Referee, Reviews for Promotion and Tenure or Promotion to Full Professor

- Rutgers University; Pennsylvania State University; Claremont Graduate University; Fuller Theological Seminary

External Reviewer, Carolina Jewish Studies Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 7-9 April 2003

External Reviewer, Harold Schnitzer Family Program in Judaic Studies, University of Oregon, 7 January 1998

Associate Editor, *The Bible and Interpretation* ([itp.lcc.whcn.edu/bibint2/](http://lcc.whcn.edu/bibint2/)), 2000-current

Editorial Board, *Bulletin for Biblical Research*, 1999-2001

Executive Committee, Western Council for the Study of Religion, 1999-2001

Secretary, Western Council for the Study of Religion, 2000-2001

Executive Committee, Pacific Coast Regional Division of the Society of Biblical Literature, 1998-2004

President, Pacific Coast Regional Division of the Society of Biblical Literature, 1999-2000

Vice-President, Pacific Coast Regional Division of the Society of Biblical Literature, 1998-99

Steering Committee, Pacific Coast Regional Division of the Society of Biblical Literature "Judaism in the Greco-Roman Era" Group, 1996-current

Board of Directors, Israel Center, Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 2001-current

Manuscript Referee/Reviewer: University of Arizona Press; Alta Mira Press; Mellon Publishers; University Press of America

### **Professional Associations**

American Interfaith Institute  
 American Schools of Oriental Research  
 Association for Jewish Studies  
 Biblical Colloquium West  
 Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona  
 Jewish Historical Society of Southern Arizona  
 National Association of Professors of Hebrew  
 Society of Biblical Literature  
 Western Jewish Studies Association