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EDUCATION

2018 Ph.D., The University of Chicago Divinity School (Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East)
Dissertation: “Story and Sacrifice: Ritual, Narrative, and the Priestly Source”
Committee: Jeffrey Stackert (advisor); Mira Balberg, Simeon Chavel, Jonathan Klawans

2012 M.A., Yale University
Divinity School (Hebrew Bible)
magna cum laude

2009 M.A., Boston College
Mental Health Counseling

2006 B.A., Northeastern University
English Literature
summa cum laude

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2018– Assistant Professor of Hebrew and Judaic Studies
New York University

2015–2016 Lecturer, Introductory Biblical Hebrew I & II
The University of Chicago Divinity School

2015 Instructor, Summer Intensive Introductory Biblical Hebrew
The University of Chicago Divinity School

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

1. “Challenging a Priestly Credit Theology: A New Translation of Niphal נִשְׁתַּחַת,” *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*, forthcoming.
2. “Ritual Sequence and Narrative Constraints in Leviticus 9:1–10:3,” *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* 17 (2017): 1–35.
3. “The Composition of Numbers 32: A New Proposal,” *Vetus Testamentum* 63 (2013): 408–432.

Invited Essays

1. “The Literary Representation of Sacrifice in the Hebrew Bible,” in *New Perspectives on Ritual in the Biblical World*, ed. Laura Quick and Melissa Ramos (London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, forthcoming).
2. “Dissertation Spotlight: *Story and Sacrifice: Ritual, Narrative, and the Priestly Source*,” *Ancient Jew Review*, March 6, 2019.
<http://www.ancientjewreview.com/articles/2019/3/6/dissertation-spotlight-story-and-sacrifice-ritual-narrative-and-the-priestly-source>
3. “Gad and Reuben Receive Land in the Transjordan: A Documentary Approach,” *TheTorah.com*, July 11, 2018. <https://thetorah.com/gad-and-reuben-receive-land-in-the-transjordan-a-documentary-approach/>
4. “On the State of Pentateuchal Criticism,” *Ancient Jew Review*, November 30, 2014.
<http://www.ancientjewreview.com/articles/2014/11/30/bible-and-babel-on-the-state-of-pentateuchal-source-criticism>

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

1. *The Story of Sacrifice: Ritual and Narrative in the Priestly Pentateuchal Source* (monograph under review).
2. *The Priestly Narrative: A Hebrew Edition with English Translation and Introduction* (proposal under review).
3. “Manna and Korah: A Study of Inner-Priestly Literary Development” (article in progress).
4. “Writing and Characterization in the Book of Esther” (article in progress).

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

1. “Composing Ritual: The Epistemology of Sacrifice in the Hebrew Bible.” SBL Annual Meeting, November 24, 2019.
2. “The Priestly Narrative: A Biography.” SBL Annual Meeting, November 24, 2019.
3. “Reconstructed Stories: The Case for a Critical Edition of the Pentateuchal Priestly Narrative.” The Jewish Theological Seminary, March 27, 2019.
4. “Numbers 32: A Neo-Documentary Perspective.” SBL Annual Meeting, November 2018, Invited Panelist in Pentateuch Session.
5. “Leviticus 17 and the Strata of P.” Chicago-Yale Pentateuch Colloquium, February 25–27, 2018.
6. “Establishing Authority in the Priestly Cult: A New Analysis of Lev 10.” SBL Annual Meeting, November 20, 2017.
7. Invited response to Sarit Kattan-Gribetz, “Gender and Ancient Jewish Reading Practices.” The University of Chicago Divinity School, March 1, 2017.
8. “Ritual Sequence and Narrative Constraints in Leviticus 9.” SBL Annual Meeting, November 20, 2016.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2017–2018	Jacob Greenberg Memorial Dissertation Fellowship Chicago Center for Jewish Studies
2014	Tikva Frymer Kensky Memorial Prize The University of Chicago
2013	Tikva Frymer Kensky Memorial Prize The University of Chicago
2011	Two-Brothers Fellowship Yale Divinity School

INVITED SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

1. Faculty participant, Chicago-Yale Pentateuch Colloquium, The University of Chicago, February 13–15, 2019.
2. Invited participant, Chicago-Yale Pentateuch Colloquium, Yale Divinity School, February 25–27, 2018.
3. Invited participant, Chicago-Yale Pentateuch Colloquium, The University of Chicago, February 5–6, 2017.
4. Brauer Seminar Student Fellow, The University of Chicago Divinity School, Winter 2015.

COMMUNITY AND INVITED LECTURES

1. “Leviticus 17 and the So-Called Holiness Code.” Hebrew Bible Workshop at the University of Chicago, May 15, 2017.
2. “Story and Ritual in Leviticus.” Anshe Emet Synagogue, Chicago, IL, May 6, 2017.
3. “The Big House: Capturing Divine Presence in the Temples of the Ancient Near East.” Anshe Sholom Bnai Israel, Chicago, IL, February 17, 2016.
4. “Birthing Leaders: The Stories of Moses and Sargon.” Anshe Emet Synagogue, Chicago, IL, January 9, 2016.
5. “Narrative and Ritual in the Inauguration of the Priestly Tabernacle.” Hebrew Bible Workshop at the University of Chicago, February 25, 2015.
6. “Why Leviticus is More Interesting than You Think.” Kol Sasson Congregation, Skokie, IL, May 17, 2014.
7. “The Composition of Numbers 32: A New Proposal.” Hebrew Bible Workshop at the University of Chicago, October 15, 2012.

COURSES

Undergraduate

Sacrifice: From Moses to the Modern Era
Ancient Israel
The Bible as Literature

Graduate

Ugaritic I
Ugaritic II
Introductory Biblical Hebrew
Advanced Biblical Hebrew

Topics in Bible: The Priestly Narrative
Topics in Bible: Ruth, Esther, Jonah

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2014–2015 Hebrew Bible Workshop Coordinator
The University of Chicago Divinity School

LANGUAGES

Ancient Akkadian, Aramaic (biblical, imperial, targumic, Babylonian Jewish), Greek (koine and Attic), Hebrew (biblical and rabbinic), Syriac, Ugaritic
Modern Hebrew, German, Spanish, French (all: reading knowledge)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Pentateuch
Priestly Literature
Law and Ritual
Literary Theory
Ritual Theory
Ancient Near East
Historical Criticism

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Biblical Literature
Association for Jewish Studies