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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of History, Drexel University (Sept, 2018 – Present)
Co-Director of the Judaic Studies Program (Sept, 2018 – Aug, 2020)

EDUCATION

University of Delaware, Newark, DE (2016)

Ph.D., American History

Dissertation: "Commerce and Connection: Jewish Merchants, Philadelphia, and the Atlantic World, 1738-1822"

Qualifying Examination Fields: Atlantic World Exchanges: People, Ideas, Commodities; European Empire in Africa and Asia: Cultural contact 1700 to 1914; American History to 1865; United States History since 1865

Villanova University, Villanova, PA (2008)

M.A., History

University of Pennsylvania (1998), Philadelphia, PA (1998)

M.Sc., Early Childhood Education

University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa (1992)

H.Dip.Ed., English, Psychology

University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa (1987)

B.A., English, Psychology

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and Book Chapters

"The Revolution and the Early Republic." *The Handbook of American Jewish History*, Michael R. Cohen and Shari Rabin, (eds). New York: Oxford University Press (forthcoming)

"Imperial Enterprise: David Franks, Commerce, and British Expansion." *Jewish Entanglements in the Atlantic World*, Aviva Ben-Ur and Willem Klooster, (eds). Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press (forthcoming: January 15, 2024)

"Business Letter." *Jews Across the Americas: A Documentary Reader*, Adriana Brodsky and Laura Leibman (eds). New York: New York University Press (September, 2023)

"Separated from us as far as West is from East': Eighteenth-Century Ashkenazi Immigrants in the Atlantic World." *American Jewish History*, Vol. 102, No. 2 (April 2018)

"Commerce and Community: Philadelphia's Early Jewish Settlers, 1740-1776." *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 140, no. 3 (Oct., 2016)

Encyclopedia Entries

"Revolutionary Crowds." *Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia*, edited by Charlene Miers
<http://philadelphiaencyclopedia.org/archive/crowds-colonial-and-revolution-eras/>

"Michael Gratz." *Immigrant Entrepreneurship: German-American Business Biographies, 1720 to the Present*, Vol. 1, edited by Marianne Wokeck,
<http://www.immigrantentrepreneurship.org/entry.php?rec=212>

"Emmett Till." *The Encyclopedia of American History* (Facts on File, gen. ed. Gary Nash), Vol. 9, 1946-1968

Book Reviews

Review of Eric L. Goldstein and Deborah R. Weiner, *On Middle Ground: A History of the Jews of Baltimore* (Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2018), *Reviews in History*, (no. 2389), (May, 2020) <https://reviews.history.ac.uk/review/2389>

Review of Hasia R. Diner, *Roads Taken: The Great Jewish Migrations to the New World and the Peddlers Who Forged the Way* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2015), *Enterprise and Society*, Volume 20, Issue 3 (September, 2019), 735-738.

Review of Ignacio Gallup-Diaz, Andrew Shankman, David J. Silverman, eds., *Anglicizing America: Empire, Revolution, Republic* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015), *Journal for Eighteenth-Century Studies*, Vol. 40, No. 1 (March, 2017), 128-9.

Review of Ava F. Kahn and Adam D. Mendelsohn, eds., *Transnational Traditions: New Perspectives on American Jewish History* (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2014), *Reviews in History*, (no. 1785), <http://www.history.ac.uk/reviews/review/1785>

Review of Mark Abbott Stern, *David Franks: Colonial Merchant* (University Park, Pa.: Penn State University Press, 2010), *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. CXXXV, No. 2 (April, 2011).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Teaching Professor, Drexel University (September 2018-ongoing)
 Courses taught

The American Jewish Experience
Antisemitism in America
Pirates, Planters, Traders: The Jewish Atlantic World
Antisemitism in America
Culture, Ethnicity, Religion: An Introduction to Judaism
Gender and Judaism
History of Antisemitism
History of the Holocaust
Jewish Life and Culture in the Middle Ages
Jewish Literature and Civilization
American History until 1815
American History from 1900
History of Philadelphia
Modern Jewish History
The City in History

Adjunct Instructor, Drexel University (April 2017-June 2018)

Courses taught:

Jewish Life and Culture in the Middle Ages
Jewish Literature and Civilization
History of the Holocaust

Adjunct Instructor, University of Delaware (2012-2013, August 2016-May 2018)

Courses taught:

Introduction to Judaism
Early American History
US History since 1865
Issues and Ideas in Jewish Studies
Organized a thematic lecture series and assessed students

Adjunct Instructor, Ursinus College (August 2016-May 2017)

Course taught:

Early American History
Modern World History, 1400-present

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

Fellow, Summer Institute for Israel Studies, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University (2023)

Affiliated Fellow, Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies (2020-2021)

Colonial Essay Prize of the Colonial Society of Pennsylvania (2016)

Edward Edzell Fellowship, The University of Delaware (2015)

Jacob M. Price Visiting Research Fellowship, William L. Clements Library, University of Michigan (2015)

Dissertation Fellowship, The University of Delaware (2013-14)
Dissertation Fellowship, Program in Early American Economy and Society, Library Company of Philadelphia (Spring 2014)
Bernard and Audre Rapoport Fellowship, The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio (Spring 2013)
College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Doctoral Student Summer Scholar Fellowship, The University of Delaware (Summer 2012)
Caesar Rodney Fellowship, General Society of Colonial Wars, Delaware (Spring 2012)
Stanley J. and Marion Goldfus Award for Best Teaching Assistant, The University of Delaware (2012)
Society for Colonial Dames Scholarship, Delaware Chapter (2012)
Colonial Essay Prize of the Colonial Society of Pennsylvania (2011)
Alumni Graduate Award in History for Best Printed Article or Seminar Paper (The University of Delaware, 2010)
William H. William Graduate Award in History for demonstrating outstanding scholarship focusing in Colonial America to 1865 (The University of Delaware, 2010)
Daniel B. Carroll Prize for Best Graduate History Paper (Villanova University, April 2008)

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

"Pragers & Co.: Merchants in the Post-Revolutionary Era," Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting (December, 2022)

"Colonial Philadelphia: Jewish Merchant Networks," International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies Conference (August, 2022)

"Finding Jews in Jamaican Archives," Sephardic World (May, 2022)

"The Revolutionary and Early National Periods" in Roundtable *Bridges and Tunnels: Writing American Jewish History in the 21st Century*, American Jewish Historical Society Biennial Conference (May, 2022)

"Imperial Enterprise: David Franks, Commerce, and British Expansion" at Workshop on Jewish Entanglement in the Atlantic World, Clark University, Worcester Ma. (April, 2019)

"Kinship, Commerce, and Community: The Beginnings of Jewish Philadelphia," Judaic Studies Program, Drexel University (May, 2017)

"Pushing Back Borders: Philadelphia's Colonial Jewish Merchants on the Frontier," Jewish Studies Program, University of Delaware (Feb. 2017)

"The Business of Empire: Trade, Expansion, and War in Colonial Pennsylvania," Colonial Society of Pennsylvania meeting, Haverford, Pa. (Nov. 2016)

“Ashkenazi Kinship and Commercial Ties in the Atlantic World, 1700-1820,” American Jewish Historical Society Biennial Scholars Conference, New York, NY (June 2016)

“Commercial Community: Philadelphia’s Early Jewish Settlers,” Jewish Studies Program, University of Delaware (April, 2016)

“Bringing Philadelphia into the Jewish Atlantic World,” Conference on Port Cities in the Early Modern World, 1500-1800 co-sponsored by the McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Program in Early American Economy and Society, and Temple University, Philadelphia, PA (November, 2015)

“Eighteenth Century Jewish Merchant Families in Philadelphia,” University of Delaware, Jewish Studies Program, Newark, DE (April, 2015)

“Emergent Connections: Philadelphia’s Early Jewish Settlers and the Atlantic World,” University of Delaware, Department of History, Newark, DE (April, 2015)

“Collaboration and Credit: Pennsylvania’s Jewish Settlers and Atlantic World Trade,” Omohundro Institute on Early American History and Culture, Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD (June 2013)

“Commerce and Connection: Jewish Merchants, Philadelphia, and the Atlantic World,” American Jewish Archives seminar, Cincinnati, Ohio (May 2013)

“Connections and Commerce: Jewish Merchants, Philadelphia, and the Atlantic World,” British Group of Early American Historians, Annual Conference, St. Andrews, Scotland (Sept. 2012)

“Outsiders to Insiders: Cultural Change Across the Generations in a Jewish Immigrant Family,” Social Science History Association, Annual Conference, Boston, Mass. (Nov. 2011)

PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS and DEVELOPMENT

Board of Directors, Jamaica Jewish Cemeteries Preservation Fund (2020--present)

Reviewer, Museum of Southern Jewish History, opening exhibition (2020)

Community Based Learning Course Development Faculty Training (June, 2019)

Consultant and participant on documentary on Philadelphia’s Jewish History (2018-19)

Consultant on Jewish Studies Executive Committee, University of Delaware (2018)

Jamaican Jewish Cemetery Inventory, Project that surveys and records information from historical Jewish cemeteries in Kingston, Lacovia, Rowe’s Corner, Black River, St. Anne’s Parish, and Spanish Town (2011, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2022)

Text Encoding Fundamentals workshop, Digital Humanities Summer Institute, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada (June 2016)

Organizer, Graduate Student Professional Development Workshop Series (Spring, 2011 – Fall, 2013)

Organizer, Graduate Student Theory Reading Group (2011-2012)