February 2023

Education

- Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley Comparative Literature, 2005.
- M.A. **Hebrew University, Jerusalem**, Comparative Literature 1998, *cum laude*.
- LL.B. **Hebrew University Law School**, Jerusalem, 1994. Bachelor's Degree in Law; Admitted to the Israeli Bar Association, 1995.

Employment and Positions Held

2022 – present	Associate Professor of English, University of Haifa, Israel
2018-ongoing	Chair, Department of English Language and Literature, University of Haifa.
January 2019:	Visiting Fellow, Center of Advanced Study in English, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India
2017-2018:	Fellow, Society for the Humanities, Cornell University
2016 - 2022:	Senior Lecturer of English (with tenure, equiv to Assoc. Prof.), University of Haifa, Israel
2006-2016:	Lecturer of English, University of Haifa, Israel
2013-2014:	Honorary Fellow, Institute for Research in the Humanities, U of Wisconsin, Madison
2005-2006:	Lecturer, English and Comparative Literature, UC Berkeley
1998-2004:	Graduate Student Instructor, Comparative Literature, UC Berkeley

Research and Teaching Interests

History and Theory of the Novel, Realism and Fictionality, Genre, Indian Literature in English, Postcolonial Theory and Literature, Victorian Literature and Culture, Law and Literature, World Literature, Comparative Literature, Narrative Theory.

Honors and Awards

Major Research Grants

Role in Research	Co-Researchers	Торіс	Funded by	Year
Primary Researcher	Maurice Ebileeni; Lior Levy; Shakhar Rahav; Abigail Wood	New Questions in Postcolonial Studies	Humanities Faculty, University of Haifa	2022- 2023
Primary Researcher		Emergency Fictions: Crisis and Continuity in the Indian Novel in English 1975-2000.	Israel Science Foundation	2017- 2020
Primary Researcher	Ornit Shani; Alexandre Kedar	Twentieth-Century Partitions: Legacies of British Rule (Research Group)	Minerva Center for the Rule of Law under Extreme Conditions	2014- 2016
Primary Researcher	Eitan Bar-Yosef	The Persistence of Realism in Postcolonial Fiction: The Case of the Indian Novel in English	Israel Science Foundation	2012- 2016

2012-

2014

Publications

Books

Genres of Emergency: Crisis and Continuity in Indian Writing in English, Oxford University Press, 2023.

Common Precedents: The Presentness of the Past in Victorian Law and Fiction Oxford University Press, 2013. 208 pp.

Reviewed in Review 19, Law and Social Inquiry, Victorian Studies, Victorian Review, Journal of British Studies

Articles, Peer-reviewed

- "The Thrill of Emergency and the Chronic Crisis of Corruption,"," South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies, 45:4 (2022), 672-685
- "Through English, Densely: Partitions, Complicity, and the Anglophone Classroom" *Representations* 155.1(2021) 139-152.
- "Reading Counterfactually" Victorian Literature and Culture, 47.1 (2019): 96-99.
- "Surface Reading: Theory Without Criticism?" Theoria U'vikoret (Theory and Criticism) 50 (2018): 313-331. [Hebrew]
- "Realism as Such" Victorian Literature and Culture 46.3-4 (2018): 831-835.
- "'By its very presence': Conventionality and Commonality in Shashi Deshpande's Realism" *Journal of Commonwealth Literature*. 52.2 (2017): 300-315.
- "Is He Popenjoy?: Deciding to Know and the Presumption of Realism" NOVEL: A Forum on Fiction 49.2(2016): 202-218.
- "Partition Literature: On the Pedagogy and Politics of the India-Israel Comparison" *Theoria U'vikoret (Theory and Criticism)* 44.2 (2015) 77-96. [Hebrew]
 - Excerpts reprinted as "Teaching Partition in Haifa" in *Vanishing Point Exhibition Catalog*, Beit Hagefen Gallery, Haifa (2015) Hebrew pp.45-51; Arabic 53-59; English 60-68.
- "Walking the Boundaries in Victorian Fiction: Realism as Communal Epistemology" in *Nineteenth-Century Contexts: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 37.3 (2015): 197-214.
- "The Fact of a Rumor: Anthony Trollope's *The Eustace Diamonds*", *Nineteenth-Century Literature*, 62.1 (2007): 88-120.
- "Victorian Precedents: Narrative Form, Law Reports, and *Stare Decisis*", *Journal of Law, Culture, and the Humanities,* 4.3 (2008): 382-402.
- "The Dialectic of Shame: Representation in the Metanarrative of Salman Rushdie's *Shame*", *Modern Fiction Studies*, 48.1 (2002): 194-215.
 - Reprinted in Harold Bloom (ed.), *Modern Critical Views on Salman Rushdie*, New York: Chelsea House Publishers, 2003. 247-66.
- Roe, D. & A. Ben-Yishai, "Exploring the Relationship Between the Person and the Disorder among Individuals Hospitalized for Psychosis", *Psychiatry: Interpersonal & Biological Processes*, 62.4 (1999): 370-380.

Book Chapters

- "Legal Culture" in Ashgate *Research Companion to Anthony Trollope*, Deborah Dennenholtz Morse, Margaret Markham (eds.) Ashgate Press. 16 ms pages. (forthcoming 2016).
- Ben-Yishai, A. & E. Bar-Yosef, "Emergency Fictions" in *Cambridge History of the Indian Novel in English*, Ulka Anjaria (ed.) Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2015. 162-176.
- "A Common Endeavor: Anthony Trollope and the Law". In Carolyn Dever and Lisa Niles (eds.), *The Cambridge Companion to Anthony Trollope*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2011. 155-67.
- "Teaching Legal Realism: The Realist Novel and the Law". In Austin Sarat, Cathrine Frank and Matthew Anderson (eds.), *MLA Options for Teaching Literature and Law*. New York: MLA Publications, 2011. 136-46.

Reviews

- Review of *Disaffected: Emotion, Sedition, and Colonial Law in the Anglosphere* by Tanya Agathocleous (Cornell University Press, 2021) for *Modern Philology*.
- Review of *Plausible Crime Stories: The Legal History of Sexual Offences in Mandate Palestine* by Orna Alyagon Darr (Cambridge UP 2019) for *Law, Culture and the Humanities* 16.1 (2020) 170172.
- Review of *Emergency Chronicles: Indira Gandhi and Democracy's Turning Point*, by Gyan Prakash (Princeton 2018); and *The Emergency and the Indian English Novel: Memory, Culture and Politics*, by Raita Merivirta (Routledge India 2019) *South Asian Review* 41.2 (2020): 207-210.
- "The Structure of Individual Action" Review of Daniel M. Stout's *Corporate Romanticism: Liberalism, Justice, and the Novel* (Oxford UP 2016). *NOVEL: A Forum on Fiction* 51.1 (2018) 144-147.
- Review of Kristin Kalsem In Contempt: Nineteenth-Century Women, Law, and Literature (Ohio State UP 2012) for Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature 33.1 (2013) 248-50.
- Review of Deborah Dennenholtz Morse's *Reforming Trollope* (Ashgate 2013) for *RaVon* (2013). Web. 2 ms pp.
- Review of Geoffrey Baker's *Realism's Empire* (Ohio 2009) for *Comparative Literature* 64.2 (2012): 235-6.
- Review of *Law, Literature, and the Transmission of Culture in England 1837-1925* (Ashgate 2010) for *English Literature in Transition* 55.1 (2012): 110-2.
- Review of Mark Canuel's *The Shadow of Death: Literature, Romanticism, and the Subject of Punishment* (Princeton 2007) for the *Keats-Shelley Journal* 58 (2009):165-7.
- "A Common (-Law) Cultural History". Review of Kieran Dolin's *A Critical Introduction to Law and Literature* (Cambridge 2007) for *The European Legacy: Toward New Paradigms*, 13.6 (2008): 765-6.

Invited Lectures & Colloquium Talks

January 2023	Tel-Aviv University	Annual Lecture in Memory of Talma Yzraely	"Writing Emergency"
October 2022	COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY	Department of Middle East, South Aisa, and African Studies	"Emergency as Genre"
August 2020	Aliya University, Kolkata (Online)	International Series: "Planetary Crisis and the Humanities: Theory and Praxis"	Emergency: Our Chronic Crisis
February 2020	Aliya University, Kolkata	Department of English	On Comparison and Complicity: Teaching Partition in Israel/Palestine
February 2019	JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY, Kolkata	Center of Advanced Study in English	"Now You See It, Now You Don't": A Cultural History of the Indian Emergency (1975-1977)
February 2019	JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY, Kolkata	Center of Advanced Study in English	How We Presume to Know: Illegitimacy, Doubt, and Certainty in Victorian Realist Fiction
April 2018	RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	British Studies Center	Through English, Densely: Comparative Partitions, Complicity, and the Anglophone Classroom
March 2018	CORNELL UNIVERSITY	South Asia Program	"Now You See It, Now You Don't": A Cultural History of the Indian Emergency (1975-1977)
February 2018	University of California, Irvine	Form Research Cluster	Corrupt Allegories: Crisis, Literary Form, and Indira Gandhi's Emergency Rule

November 2017	THE UNIVERSITY AT Binghamtom	Center for Israel Studies	Through English, Densely: Comparative Partitions, World Literature, and Critical Pedagogy in Israel/Palestine,
March 2017	HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF Jerusalem	Asian Studies Department Faculty Seminar	"Now You See It, Now You Don't": A Cultural History of the Indian Emergency (1975-1977)
October 2016	University of Wisconsin – Madison	Department of Comparative Literature	Through English, Densely: Partitions and the Israeli/Palestinian classroom
November 2015	BAR ILAN UNIVERSITY	Program in Interpretation	Comparative Political Pedagogy: the Case of Partition
April 2014	Indiana University	Victorian Studies Program	Walking the Boundaries: Realism as Communal Epistemology
March 2014	University of Pennsylvania	P19 Philadelphia Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Forum	Walking the Boundaries: Realism as Communal Epistemology
February 2014	University of Wisconsin – Madison	Center for South Asian Studies	Emergency Fictions
November 2013	University of Wisconsin – Madison	Institute for Research in the Humanities	Claiming Continuity: Family Planning, Political Dynasties and Narrative Form in the Indian Emergency
December 2010	UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA	India Lunch Series	The Ongoing Trauma of Partition (with Dr. Ornit Shani)
September 2009	Columbia University	Nineteenth-Century Colloquium	A Common Endeavor: Anthony Trollope and the Law
March 2009	Tel Aviv University School of Law	Faculty Seminar	Common Precedents
April 2008	University of Toronto School of Law	Law and Literature Workshop	Give Me a Precedent: Past, Present and Future in Victorian Fiction and Law
December 2007	HEBREW UNIVERSITY	Comparative Literature Department Seminar	Common and Civil: Legal Traditions and Realist Fiction
March 2007	Cornell University Law School	Law and Humanities Colloquium	Victorian Precedents
October 2005	UCLA	Nineteenth-Century Group	Victorian Commonalities: Gossip, Fiction and the Problem of Legal Positivism

Selected Scholarly Conferences

2022	Conference on South Asia	Madison, WI	Emergency and the Rhetoric of the Family	Speaker
2022	NAVSA	Bethlehem, PA	Complicit Realism	Speaker
2021	Conference on South Asia	Madison, WI (online)	The Prison Memoir as Genre of Dissent	Speaker, Panel Organizer, and Chair (see below)

2019	NARRATIVE CONFERENCE	Pamplona, Spain	The Postcolonial Politics of the Post-Victorian Novel	
2019	ACLA	Washington DC	Where did the 70s go?: Revisiting Realism and Reification in the Anglophone Indian Novel	
2018	Conference on South Asia	Madison, WI	Emergency Allegories – From Mode to Genre	Panel Organizer and Chair
2018	Crisis and Conflict in Postcolonial and Ethnic American Literatures	GWU, Washington DC	Emergencies Now and Again: Political Urgency and Popular Fiction in India (1975-1980)	Invited Talk
2018	Society for Novel Studies	Cornell University	Telling it Like it Wasn't	Roundtable Participant
2018	Emergency Legal Cultures	Duke University	Emergency Fictions: The Political Prisoner as Trope and Genre	Invited Talk
2018	South Asia Literary Association	New York, NY	The Thrill of Emergency and the State of Security	
2017	ACLA	Utrecht, Netherlands	Surface fundamentalism: free indirect discourse and the ideology of interpretation.	
2017	PROPHETIC URGENCY: From Romantic Visions to Contemporary Apocalypses	Mandel-Scholion Center, Hebrew University	The Moment of No Return: Inevitability, Partition, and the Construction of an Indian Future	Invited Talk
2017	Berg Institute for Law and History	Tel-Aviv University Law School	Oren's Bracha's <i>Owning Ideas</i> : Literary Authorship in the Long 19 th Century	Invited talk at book launch
2016	Conference on South Asia	Madison, WI	Insiders/outsiders: the Emergency, Intellectuals, and the Politics of English	
2016	NAVSA	Pheonix, AZ	I, Trollope	
2016	NARRATIVE	University of Amsterdam	Who "We" Are: Epistemological Commonalities and Realist Form	
2016	Society for Novel Studies	University of Pittsburgh	The Thrill of Emergency	
2015	TROLLOPE BICENTENNIAL Conference	University of Leuven, Belgium	Presuming Trollope	Convener for panel on "Legal Trollope"
2015	48 то 67 / 67 то 48	University of Haifa	Teaching Partition in Haifa	Conference Organizer
2015	Knowledge in this Place	Minerva Humanities Center, TAU	The Language of the Israeli Academy	Roundtable
2015	Israeli Law and Society Association	U of Haifa, Israel	"Plonit v. Ploni"	Roundtable

2105	MLA	Vancouver, Canada	Emergency Pasts	With Eitan Bar- Yosef
2014	Global Literary Studies: Emergent Perspectives	University of Tubingen, Germany	Partition Pedagogy and Comparative Literary Methodology	Invited Talk
2014	North American Victorian Studies Association	London, Ontario	Presumptions	
2014	THE ARTS IN LEGAL HISTORY (5th Berg International Conference)	The David Berg Institute for Law and History, Tel Aviv University	The Presumption of Legal Culture	Invited Talk
2014	American Comparative Literature Association	New York, NY	Partition Temporalities: The Moment of No-Return and the Construction of an Indian Future	
2014	WORLDING REALISMS	U of Illinois, Champaign Urbana	Locating Commonalities	Invited Talk
2013	The 10 th Political Lexicon Conference	Champaign-Urbana Minerva Humanities Center, Tel Aviv University	Realism	Invited Talk
2013	Law, Culture and the Humanities	London, UK	"Author Meets Readers" Panel for my book <i>Common Precedents.</i>	
2013	ACLA	Toronto, Canada	Discussants: Professor Bernadette Meyler, Law, Cornell; Dr. Anat Rosenberg, Law, IDC The Persistence of Realism in the Postcolonial Novel: Shashi Deshpande's Middle-Class Conventionality	Co-organizer of panel on "Global Realism"
2012	North American Victorian Studies Association	Madison, WI	Who are 'We' when 'We' Live in This Way?: Networking as a Novel Form	
2011	TRAJECTORIES OF Partition in South Asia and the Middle East: Comparative Perspectives.	New Delhi, India	"Teaching the Partition of the Indian Subcontinent in Haifa, 2011: The Ethics and Politics of Comparative Pedagogy"	Invited Talk
2010	Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies	Austin, Texas	"Illegitimate Offspring: Disruption and Continuity in Collins' <i>The Woman in White</i> "	
2010	American Comparative Literature Association	New Orleans, LA	"Dickensian Today: Realism in the Postcolonial Novel"	
2009	Matters of State: <i>Bildung</i> and Literary- Intellectual Discourse in the Nineteenth Century	Leuven, Belgium	"A Common Endeavor: Anthony Trollope and the Law"	Invited Talk
2009	JERUSALEM DICKENS Conference	Hebrew University, Jerusalem	" <i>A Fine Balance</i> : The Pleasures of Realism in the Postcolonial Novel"	

2008	North American Victorian Studies Association	New Haven, CT	"Incremental Temporalities: Victorian Common Law Culture and 'Time Immemorial'"	
2007	NARRATIVE	Washington DC	"Truthful Precedents: <i>Middlemarch</i> and the Question of the New"	Organized Panel and presented paper
2006	Law, Culture and the Humanities	Syracuse, NY	"Victorian Precedents"	
2005	NORTH AMERICAN Victorian Studies Association	Charlottesville, VA	"A Truthful Precedent for <i>Middlemarch</i> "	
2005	Modern Languages Association	Washington DC	"Narrative Legitimacy: Wilkie Collins' <i>The Woman in White</i> "	
2004	NORTH AMERICAN Victorian Studies Association	Toronto, Canada	"Obsessed with Law (and Literature): A critical survey of Victorian research today"	
2004	South Asian Literary Association	Philadelphia, PA	"Rohinton Mistry, Honoré de Balzac and the Realist Novel of Social Critique"	

Scholarships, Awards and Prizes

2016	Friends of the UW Madison Library Research Fellowship
2014	University of Haifa, Excellence in Teaching Award
2006	Fellow, Summer Institute in Literary Studies, National Humanities Center
2005-6	Lady Davis Postdoctoral Fellowship, Hebrew University, Israel (declined)
2004-5	Chancellor's Dissertation Fellowship, UC Berkeley
2003-4	Mabelle McLeod Lewis Memorial Fund Dissertation Fellowship
2002-3	Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award

Selected Courses Taught in Recent Years

Year	Name of Course	Type of Course
Spring 2023	Narrative Theory	Graduate Seminar
Spring 2022	English Cultures in a Changing World	Elective
Fall 2020	Introduction to Theory and Criticism	Lecture (Required 3 rd year)
Fall 2019	History and the Novel	Seminar
Fall 2019	Campus Kolkata (in collaboration with the Ofakim Honors program and the English Dept., Jadavpur University)	Graduate Seminar (incl. Study Abroad in India)
Spring 2019	Genre and the Novel	Seminar
Spring 2017	Large Loose Baggy Monsters: The Victorian Novel	Seminar
Fall 2016	Theorizing the Local and the Global in the Indian Novel in English	Graduate Seminar

Spring 2015	Crisis and Continuity in the Indian Novel in English	Seminar
Spring 2015, Spring 2023	Empire and the Novel	Elective
Summer 2014	World Literatures in English	Elective
Spring 2013	Victorian Realism	Elective
Spring 2012	The Novel: Representing Reality	Seminar
Spring 2012	Postcolonial Theories	Graduate Seminar
Spring 2011 Spring 2013	Queer Readings	Graduate Seminar
Spring 2011	Stories of Partition	Seminar
Fall 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016	Approaches to Research in English Literature	Graduate requirement
Fall 2010 - Fall 2011, 2014	Introduction to Literary Forms (Pt. I)	Lecture (Required 1 st year)
Spring 2010	The Horror: From Gothic to Sensation in the British Novel	Seminar
Spring 2010 Fall 2012	The Indian Novel in English	Graduate Seminar
Spring 2009, 2017, 2019, 2020	English Literature Survey II: The Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries	Lecture (Required 2 nd year)
Fall 2008	Representing Reality in the English Novel	Seminar - Ofakim Honors Program
Fall 2008	Stories of Partition: India and Pakistan	Elective
Spring 2008	The Industrial Novel	Elective
Fall 2007	The (Post-) Colonial Challenge to Realism	Graduate Seminar
Spring 2007	Legal Realism	Seminar
Fall 2006	The Indian Novel in English	Elective
Fall 2006 - Spring 2009	Introduction to Fiction and Poetry	Lecture (Required 1st year)

Supervision of Graduate Students

MA Students Lour Hayek	Re-Examining Post-Colonial Global English in Indian Novels	2022
Karen Sharouf	Scott and Rushdie: Tensions in the Genre of the Historical Novel	2021
Areage Okab	Realism in the Twenty-first Century Novel	2021
Aziza Okab	Displacement and Unbelonging	2020

Jenny Wale	Realism, Christianity, and Humanism: A Relevant Conversation	2019
Gabriela Kustner	"What ought I to do?": Constructing a Conscience in George Eliot's Novels	2019
Tsila Sofer-Elguez	Something to Die For: Death as Narrative Device in the Victorian Novel	2019
Allison Rosenblum	Love Laws in the Indian Novel	2015
Franziska Tsufim	Advertising Realism and the Victorian Novel	2015
Monique Shvika	Bodily Fluids and Realism in Indian Literature in English	2010
Ruthie Wenske	Balancing Dualities into a New World: Tradition and Change in Achebe's <i>Things Fall Apart</i> and <i>Arrow of God</i>	2008
Sharon Michaels	The Significance of the Body in Selected Memoirs Published in the 1990s by Young American Women Suffering from Self-Harm	2008
PhD Students		
Rona Mashiach	Autobiographical Inventiveness in a Borrowed Mother Tongue: Re-thinking the Oeuvre of Global South and Diasporic Jewish Writers	Ongoing
Jenny Wale	Religion and the Realist Novel	Ongoing
Samuel Lagasse Cornell University English Department	Worlding the Epos: The Anglophone Indian Novel and Realism at the Colonial Limit	Ongoing Dissertation Committee
Ruthie Wenske	'Maybe We Are Not Just Failing': Unknowability in the Self-Writing of African Realism	Member December 2016

Professional Service

- 2022: Promotion Ad Hoc Committee: University of Haifa
- 2022: Promotion Ad Hoc Committee Chair: University of Haifa
- 2022: External Review for PhD thesis, University of Western Australia
- 2022: Referee for Journal of Historical Sociology
- 2021: Promotion Ad Hoc Committee: Bar Ilan University
- 2020: Referee for *Journal of Narrative Theory*
- 2020: Referee for Contemporary Women's Writing
- 2019, 2023: Referee for *Comparative Literature*
- 2019: Promotion Ad Hoc Committee: Ben-Gurion University
- 2019: Referee for *Theoria U'vikoret* [Hebrew]
- 2019: Promotion and Tenure Review; U of Illinois
- 2018: Reviewer for Yale-NUS Internal grant competition
- 2018, 2022: Referee for Victorian Literature and Culture
- 2017: Referee for Oxford Bibliographies
- 2017: Promotion Review: Open University, Israel
- 2017: Book proposal review Corpus Juris series at Cornell University Press
- 2017: Referee for Interventions: International Journal of Postcolonial Studies
- 2017: External Reader, PhD dissertation, Ben-Gurion University

- 2017: Referee for Journal of Victorian Culture
- 2017: Co-founder of Association for the Study of English Literatures in Israel; Inaugural conference organizer
- 2016: Referee for Victorian Studies
- 2015: Referee for Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature
- 2015: Referee for Teoria U-vikoret
- 2014, 2015: Referee for Journal of Commonwealth Literature
- 2013: Referee for Partial Answers
- 2012: Referee for Law, Culture and the Humanities
- 2012: Book manuscript referee for Ashgate Publishing
- 2011, 2013, 2014, 2021, 2022: Referee for Israel Science Foundation Grant Proposal
- 2011: Referee for *Studies in Law, Politics and Society*
- 2008: Referee for Blackwell's Encyclopedia of the Novel.
- 2007: Referee for PHILOSOPHIA, Philosophical Quarterly of Israel, special issue on Ethics and Literature.

University and Department Service

2021-Ongoing	Chair, PhD Committee, English Department
2018 - ongoing	Chair, Department of English
2018-2022	Member, Academic Senate Constitutional Committee
2016-2019	MA Advisor, English Department
2016-2017	Member, Humanities Curriculum Committee
2014-2019	Chair, English Department Admissions Committee
2012-2013	Member, Humanities Curriculum Committee
2012-2013 2018-2022	Member, Academic Senate of the University of Haifa
2010-2012	Organized and directed Dean's Forum for B.A. Honors Students in the Humanities
2009-2012	Member, English Department Search Committee.
2008-2013	Faculty Union Representative
2006-present	Member, English Department Literature Curriculum Committee

Languages

- Hebrew: native
- English: native proficiency
- Hindi: intermediate reading and writing
- French: intermediate reading and writing
- Arabic (spoken Palestinian): basic

Member in Scholarly Organizations

- Modern Language Association
- North American Victorian Studies Association
- Society for Novel Studies
- American Comparative Literature Association
- Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities
- South Asian Literary Association
- Association for the Study of Narrative