

Academic Degrees

B.A. – Phi Beta Kappa – University of Pennsylvania, 1958
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M.H.L. – Jewish Theological Seminary, 1960
Rabbi – JTS, 1964
Ph.D. – JTS, 1966

Appointments

Instructor in Talmud, JTS 1964
Assistant Professor of Rabbinics, JTS, 1967
Associate Professor of Rabbinics, JTS, 1970
Member, Faculty Committee on the Library
Acting Librarian, JTS, 1969
Visiting Senior Teaching Fellow in Talmud, Bar-Ilan University 1970-71
Director, JTS, Jerusalem Campus, 1973-74
Dean, JTS Jerusalem Campus, 1973-87
Associate Professor in Talmud, University of Tel Aviv, 1974-75
Professor of Talmud, JTS, 1975
Fellow, The Institute of Advanced Studies, The Hebrew University, 1975-76
Visiting Professor in Didactics of Talmud Instruction, The Hebrew University, 1978-80
Editor, Hebrew Publications, JTS, 1984-90
Founding Director, The Saul Lieberman Institute of Talmudic Research, JTS, 1985-
Director, The Schocken Institute, 1987-90
Associate Provost JTS, 1988-90
Professor, Department of Talmud, Bar-Ilan University, 1991-
Fellow, Hartman Institute, 1993-1995
Gerard Weinstock Visiting Professor of Jewish Literature, Harvard University, 1997
Distinguished Service Professor, JTS, 1997
Academic Teaching, The Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem
The Society for the Interpretation of the Talmud, Founder and Chairman, 1993-
Visiting Professor at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Faculty of Law, 1999-00
Appointed to the Israel Academy of the Hebrew Language, 2001
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Publications

Books and Monographs:

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3. “A Critical Study of Yevamot X with a Methodological Introduction” (Hebrew), *Texts and Studies, Analecta Judaica* I, ed. H. Z. Dimitrovsky, New York, 1977, pp. 275-441.
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7. *Tosefta Atikta: Synoptic Parallels of Mishna and Tosefta Analyzed With Introduction* (Pesah Rishon), Ramat Gan, 2002.
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11. "Satisfaction and Acquisitions in the Talmud" (Hebrew), *Dine Israel* III (1972), pp. 115-145.
12. "Gemara and Sevara" (Hebrew), *Sinai* 72 (1972), p. 203.
13. "Is the Explanatory Vav a Phonetic Phenomenon?" (Hebrew), *Leshonenu La'am* 235 (1973), p. 148.
14. "Three Problems in Babylonian Aramaic" (Hebrew), *Tarbiz* 43 (1974), pp. 58-69.
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17. "The Wording of the Betrothal Benediction and the Prints of *Abudraham*" (Hebrew), *Sinai* 76 (1975), pp. 260-264.
18. "The Case of the Woman with Two Husbands in Talmudic and Ancient Near Eastern Law" (Hebrew), *Shenaton Ha-Mishpat Ha-Ivri* II (1975), pp. 359-382.
19. "Found Objects in the Public Domain" (Hebrew), *Dine Israel* 6 (1975), pp. 169-175.
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22. "The Organizational Pattern of the Mishneh Torah", *The Jewish Law Annual* I (1978), Leiden pp. 37-41.

23. "A Gaonic` Version of the Sugya *havei li gitti*" (Hebrew), *Tarbiz* LXVIII (1978), pp. 20-29.
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60. "*Shum Davar*, Concerning Words of Neutral Meaning in Tannaitic Hebrew", (Hebrew) *Studies in Tannaitic Hebrew*, Jerusalem (1996), pps. 79-84.
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62. "The Scholars' Dictionary of Tannaitic Hebrew, *Hefker/Hevker:Bikoret*" (Hebrew) *Sidra* 12 (1997), pp. 113-127. "Addition", *Sidra* 13 (1998), p. 158
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78. "History and Agadah": The Enigma of Dama Ben Netina" (Hebrew), to appear in *Jonah Fraenkel Festschrift*.
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80. "Talmudic Aphorisms in the Light of Aesopic Fables" (Hebrew), forthcoming.
81. "Was there a group of Tannaim called 'Stumtatei'?" (Hebrew), forthcoming.
82. "The Enigma of *B'ribi* as a Talmudic Title" (Hebrew), to appear.
83. "Commentary on TB Gittin, IX, Sugya I, Editor, *Five Sugyot From the Babylonian Talmud*, The Society for the Interpretation of the Talmud, Jerusalem 2002.
84. "The Talmudic Proverb in Its Cultural Setting", *JSIJ* 2 (2003).
83. "Saul Lieberman's Extraordinary Scholarly Feats", *Saul Lieberman (1898-1983), Talmudic Scholar and Classicist*, ed. Meir Lubetski, Series of Jewish Studies, Vol. 23, Mellen Press, Lewiston 2002, pp. 91-95.
84. "Yehudah ben Dortai and the Baraitot of the Babylonian Talmud" (lecture)/
85. Benjamin and Minna Revees Chair Lecture
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Reviews

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2. "Encyclopedia Talmudica, edited by M. Berlin and S. J. Zevin", *Conservative Judaism* XXVI (1971), pp. 89-91.
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5. "The Bibliography of Jewish Law by N. Rakover", *Dine Yisrael* 17 (1993-94), pp. 321-328.

Supervision of Master and Doctoral Dissertations

Moshe Benovitz (Bar-Ilan) -- The Text of Chapter III of Tractate Shevuoth in the Babylonian Talmud: A Critical Edition with an Introduction (1987) M.A.

Shulamit Valler (JTS) -- The Fifth Chapter of Tractate Ketubbot of the Babylonian Talmud, Text and Analysis (1987) Ph.D.

David Golinkin (JTS) -- Rosh Hashana Chapter IV of the Babylonian Talmud (Part2): A Critical Edition and Commentary (1988) Ph.D.

Eliezer Diamond (JTS) -- A Model for a Scientific Edition and Commentary for Bavli Ta'anit, Chapter I, with a Methodological Introduction (1990) Ph.D.

Dov Fogel (Bar-Ilan) -- Rashi's Commentary to Tractate Bava Metzia, Selected Parts, Introductory Chapters (1992) Ph.D.

Jay Rovner (JTS) -- An Introduction to the Commentary of Rav Hananel ben Hushiel of Kairawan of Tractate Bava Metzia, Accompanied by a Reconstruction of the Lost Commentary to the Second Part of the Tractate based upon Cairo Genizah Fragments and Citations in the Rishonim (1993) Ph.D.

Moshe Benovitz (JTS) -- A Critical Commentary on Chapter III of Tractate Shevuot in the Babylonian Talmud (1993) Ph.D.

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Danny Raviv (Bar-Ilan) -- Mishna and Scripture
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