

Curriculum Vitae – Eliezer Sariel

Education

2004-2010

Ph.D., Jewish History, Hebrew University

Dissertation title: Tradition in Time of Crisis – The History of Rabbinic Law in the Posen Region during the First Half of the 19th Century as a Case Study of the Relationship between Modernization and the Formation of Halacha

Advisor Prof. I. Bar-Tal

2005-2006

Graduate Study, Jewish History, Bernard Revel Graduate School of Jewish Studies, Yeshiva University; Seminars with H. Soloveitchik, Pawn Broking and Interest, Sefer Hasidim.

2002-2003

M.A., Jewish History with honors, Hebrew University

Thesis: A Historian from the World of Torah: The Historiographic Approach of Rabbi Yitzchak Isaac Halevy (1847-1914)

Advisors, Prof. I. Bartal & Prof. I. Gafni.

1999-2001 B.A. Jewish History with honors, Hebrew University

1999-2001 Honors Program, School of History, Hebrew University

2002-2006 Teacher Certification, Herzog College

Professional Employment

2012-current Lecturer in History, Ohalo College, Katzrin, Israel

2011-current Lecturer in History, Sha'anani College, Haifa, Israel

2019-current Lecturer in History, Kinneret College, Israel.

Prizes, Scholarships

2018 Visiting Research Fellowship of the Judaic Studies Department Brooklyn College

2007 Jacob Katz prize for outstanding Ph.D. students, Hebrew University

2006 Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Scholarship for Ph.D. students

2005-06 Visiting Scholar, Bernard Revel Graduate School of Jewish Studies, Yeshiva University

2003-05 Ph.D. Scholarship, Institute for Jewish Studies, Hebrew University 1999-

2000, 2001-02 Dean's List, Faculty of Humanities, Hebrew University

2002-03 Faculty of Humanities Honors Scholarship, MA Program in Jewish History, Hebrew University (GPA 96.13)

2000-2002 Honors Program, School of History, Hebrew University

2003 Avraham Kahana Prize for Excellence in Writing, Hebrew University, 2003

2000 Menachem Stern Prize, Department of Jewish History, Hebrew University

2002 Buchman Prize for authorship of Torah article, *Tshuva*: Comparison between the Approaches of Rabbi Avraham Itschak Hacoheh Kook and Rabbi Yossef Dov Halevi Soloveitchick

Rabbinic Studies

1997-2005 Yeshivat Har Etzion, Alon Shevut, Rabbinic ordination

Certification in Rabbinical Studies (with honors), Chief Rabbinate,

1992-1996 Yeshivat HaKotel

Publications

Books

אליעזר שריאל, מסורת בזמן משבר: תולדות ההלכה באזור פוזן במחצית הראשונה של המאה הי"ט, הוצאת הספרים של אוניברסיטת באר שבע, בדפוס.

Articles

Eliezer Sariel, "Can't Live With Him, Can't Live Without Him: Josephus in the Orthodox Historiography of Isaac HaLevi and Ze'ev Ya'avetz", *The Reception of Josephus in Modern Jewish Culture*, Andrea Schatz (ed.), Brill, Leiden & Boston 2019, pp. 240-263.

Eliezer Sariel, 'When the Rabbi Meets the Doctor': Differing Attitudes to Medical Diagnosis among *Halakhic* Authorities in Eastern and Central Europe in the 16th-19th century', *Jewish Culture and European Medicine*, Marcin Moskalewicz, Ute Caumanns & Fritz Dross (Eds.), Springer Press, Cham 2108, pp. 27-40.

Eliezer Sariel, 'A Historian from the World of Torah: The Historiographical Approach of Rabbi Yitzchak Isaac Halevy Rabinowitz (1847-1914)', *PaRDeS, Zeitschrift der Vereinigung für Jüdische Studien*, 25 (2018), pp. 47-77.

Eliezer Sariel, 'A Matter of Life and Death: The *Halakhic* Discussion of Suicide as a Philosophical Battleground', *Studies in Judaism, Humanities, and the Social Sciences*, 2 (2018), pp. 91-103.

Eliezer Sariel, 'Can't Live With Him, Can't Live Without Him: Josephus and Jewish Orthodoxy', *The Reception of Josephus in Jewish Culture – Archive*, Oxford University, <http://josephus.orinst.ox.ac.uk/archives/799>.

Eliezer Sariel, 'Ze'ev Jawitz (1847-1924)', *The Reception of Josephus in Jewish Culture – Archive*, Oxford University, <http://josephus.orinst.ox.ac.uk/archives/784>.

Eliezer Sariel, 'Isaac Halevy' (1847-1914)', *The Reception of Josephus in Jewish Culture – Archive*, Oxford University,
<http://josephus.orinst.ox.ac.uk/archives/782>.

Eliezer Sariel, "In the East lie my Roots; My Branches in the West: The Distinctiveness of Posen Jewry in the First Half of the nineteenth Century", *Leo Baeck Institute Year Book*, 58 (2013), pp. 175-192.

אליעזר שריאל, 'צריך להתברר יפה על ידי רופאים מומחים : מקומה של האבחנה הרפואית בפסיקתו ההלכתית של ר' חיים הלברשטס', השכלת גליציה, נתן שיפריס ועוד (עורכים), בדפוס.

אליעזר שריאל, 'בין יפת לשם : פרק בהיסטוריה של הגניקולוגיה בעת העתיקה כמפתח להבנת דברי חז"ל', בין בבל לארץ ישראל : שי לישעיהו גפני, מי בן שחר ג' הרמן וא' אופנהיימר (עורכים), ירושלים תשע"ז, עמ' 409-416.

אליעזר שריאל, 'האדם תבנית נוף הולדתו : הגותו של הרב צבי הירש קלישר על רקע ההיסטוריה של החברה היהודית באזור פוזן במחצית הראשונה של המאה הי"ט', "עת לחננה" הרב צבי הירש קלישר והתעוררות לציון, אי ידידיה (עורך), ירושלים תשע"ד, עמ' 36-49.

אליעזר שריאל, "היסטוריון ברשות התורה : קווים לדרכו ההיסטוריוגרפית של הרב יצחק אייזיק הלוי (1847-1914)", *מורשת ישראל*, 4 (תשס"ח), עמ' 33-75.

עורך שותף של כתב העת "היה היה", כתב עת של בית הספר להיסטוריה בפקולטה למדעי הרוח באוניברסיטה העברית, 2003-2004.

Conference Presentations

San Diego, December 2019

Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference - Don't Judge a Book by its Black Cover: The Internalization of "Wissenschaft" methodology by Orthodox Historians

Boston, December 2018

Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference - Tradition at the Time of Crisis:
Innovative Approach to the history of Halakha in Modern Era

Boston, November 2017

American Academy of Religion Annual Conference - Moving Behind the Wall:
The Attitude of Modern Jewish Law towards Death as Reflected in the Struggle
over the Laws of Mourning a Suicide.

Jerusalem, August 2017

17th World Congress of Jewish Studies, Behind the Wall: Changes in Suicide
Burial Practices as Paradigm for the Development of Halakha.

Calgary, May 2016

Canadian Society for Jewish Studies Annual Conference - Inner Insight: A Proposal
for a New Methodology of the History of *Halakha*

Antwerp, May 2016

Jewish Studies on the Low Countries - When tradition meets Modernity in
Amsterdam: Rabbi Avraham Fimantil's Approach to Dilemma of Calculating Twilight
Time (paper was accepted to be presented).

Warsaw, September 2015

Jewish Culture and European Medicine - When the Rabbi meets the doctor':
Different approaches to medical diagnosis in the Jewish Law discourse in Eastern
and Central Europe during the 16th-19th century

Ako, March 2015

Jewish Historical Writing: 140 years to Heinrich Graetz's "History of Jewish People" - Not only "Anti": a Re-examination of the Orthodox Series' "Dorot Harishonim" and "Toldot Israel"

Oxford, June 2014

The Reception of Josephus in the 20th and 21st Centuries - 'Can't Live With Him, Can't Live Without Him: The Approach of Ze'ev Ya'avetz to the Writings of Josephus'

Oxford, January 2014

Jewish Reception of Josephus in the 19th & Early 20th Centuries in Eastern Europe – 'Orthodox Use of a Hellenistic Historian': Rabbi Isaac HaLevi's Approach to the Writings of Josephus

Jerusalem, December 2013

Revealers of the esoteric: 200 years of Galician Jewish Enlightenment – 'A Translucent Prism: Halakhic Decisions of Rabbi Haym Halberschtam in Discourse with Galician Jewish Enlightenment'

Jerusalem, December 2013

Death and the Philosophy of the Halakha: the Fifth Convocation on the Philosophy of the Halakhah – 'A battle Over Life and Death: Halakhic Discourse on Suicide as an Arena of Philosophical Contention'

Jerusalem, July 2013

16th World Congress of Jewish Studies, The Vanished Century: How Historical Halakhic Inquiry Impacts our Understanding of Central Developments in Eighteenth Century European Jewish Society

Jerusalem, March 2013

International Conference on the 200th Anniversary of the Prussian Emancipation Edict for the Jews – "Citizenship, Equality and Civil Society" – "The Fear of being Equal: The Sense of Crisis among Posen Orthodox Elite after Prussian Emancipation Edict for the Jews'

Delivered four lectures at graduate student conferences at the Institute for Jewish Studies:

2002 - Historical Crisis as a Historian's Lifeline: A Look at Rav Sherira Gaon's Historiographical Method

2003 - Gleaning Historical Information from a Literary Approach to Rabbinic Tales: A New Look at the Story of Rabban Yohanan ben Zakkai's Escape from Jerusalem

2004 - A Historian from the World of Torah: The Historiographic Approach of Rabbi Yitzchak Isaac Halevy (1847-1914)

2011 - Shem in the Tents of Yefet: Hellenistic Gynecology as a Key to Understanding Certain Halakhic Issue