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## CURRENT POSITIONS

**Director of Inter-Religious Studies and Professor of Jewish Studies, Vancouver School of Theology, Vancouver BC (2014-present).** *Teach graduate courses, supervise graduate research, co-direct M.A. program in Indigenous and Inter-religious Studies, co-ordinate annual Inter-Religious conference, bring inter-religious events to campus, serve as an inter-religious resource to VST partners.*

**Adjunct Faculty Member, ALEPH Alliance for Jewish Renewal Ordination Programs.** Philadelphia PA (2005-present). *Teach distance learning and summer residential classes.*

## PREVIOUS FULL-TIME POSITIONS

**Rabbi, Or Shalom Synagogue.** Vancouver BC (2005-2014). *Responsible for spiritual life, worship, educational programming, pastoral care, organizational vision, and staff supervision.*

**Professor of Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Charlotte (1989-2004).** *Lecturer (appointed 1989); Assistant Professor (appointed 1991); Associate Professor (promoted 1997); Professor (promoted 2003). Philosophy Department Chair (2002-2004); Coordinator of Women's Studies Program (1993-2000); Faculty member in Graduate Liberal Studies (1993-2004)*

**Administrative Assistant, Cambridge College/Institute of Open Education, Cambridge & Northampton, MA (1980-1984).** *Projects included Institutional Self-Study, Grantwriting, Special Events, Admissions, Publicity.*

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Education and Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University, 1991

M.A., Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University, 1987

M.Ed., Education, Cambridge College, 1983

B.A. *Summa Cum Laude* with Honors in Philosophy, Brandeis University, 1980

Graduate Study, Jungian and Archetypal Studies, Pacifica Graduate Institute (2013-14)

Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction, Vancouver School of Theology, 2010

Rabbinic Ordination, Aleph Alliance for Jewish Renewal, 2005

Certificate, Ayurvedic Yoga, New Life Center, 1984

## HONORS AND AWARDS

American Academy of Religion Katie Geneva Cannon Teaching Award, 2022

Visioneers Lifetime Achievement Award for Peace and Community Well-Being, 2021

BC Multiculturalism and Anti-Racism Award Nominee, 2021

Rabbis Without Borders Fellowship, 2011

International Women's Forum Network, 2009

American Association of Philosophy Teachers Award, 2004

Charlotte Jewish Woman of Strength, 2003

Doctor of Pedagogy, *honoris causa*, Niagara University, 2002

Phi Kappa Phi Scholars Honor Society, 2002

U.S. Professor of the Year, Carnegie Foundation and CASE, 2001

UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence, 2001

Bank of America Award for Teaching Excellence, 2000

Faculty Woman of the Year, UNC Charlotte, 1999

Loch Walker Writing Contest, Faculty Winner, 1998

North Carolina Philosophical Society Essay Prize, 1993

Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars, 1991

Pi Lambda Theta National Honor Society in Education, 1985

Claremont Graduate University Merit Fellow, 1984

Phi Beta Kappa Society, 1980

Louis Dembitz Brandeis Scholar, 1978

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books (Monographs)

*Mouth of the Donkey: Re-imagining Biblical Animals* (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books), 2021.

*The Infinity Inside: Jewish Spiritual Practice Through a Multi-Faith Lens* (Boulder, CO: Albion-Andalus), 2019.

*Family Pictures: A Philosopher Explores the Familiar* (Chicago: Open Court), 1998.

### **Books (Anthologies)**

*Religious Reflections on Friendship*. Edited by Anne-Marie Ellithorpe, Hussam Timani, and Laura Duhan-Kaplan. (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books), under contract.

*Visions of the End Times: Revelations of Hope and Challenge*. Edited by Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Anne-Marie Ellithorpe, and Harry O. Maier (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications), forthcoming 2022.

*Encountering the Other: Christian and Multifaith Perspectives*. Edited by Laura Duhan-Kaplan and Harry O. Maier (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications), 2020.

*Spirit of Reconciliation*. Edited by Ray Aldred and Laura Duhan-Kaplan (Toronto, ON: Canadian Race Relations Foundation), 2020.

*Philosophy and Everyday Life*. Edited by Laura Duhan Kaplan. (New York: Seven Bridges Press) 2002.

*Philosophical Perspectives on Power and Domination: Theories and Practices*. Edited by Laura Duhan Kaplan and Laurence F. Bove (Amsterdam: Rodopi), 1997.

*From the Eye of the Storm: Regional Conflicts and the Philosophy of Peace*. Edited by Laurence F. Bove and Laura Duhan Kaplan (Amsterdam: Rodopi), 1995.

### **Book Series**

*Religious Pluralism and Public Life*, book series edited by Laura Duhan-Kaplan and Harry O. Maier (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications). Includes *Encountering the Other* and *Visions of the End Times* (see above).

### **Special Journal Issues**

*Feminist Interpretations of the Body*. Special Issue of *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 11:1 (Spring 2004). Edited by M. Carmela Epright and Laura Duhan Kaplan.

*Contemporary Applications of Levinas*. Special Issue of *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 7:1 (Spring 2000). Edited by Laurence F. Bove and Laura Duhan Kaplan.

## Blogs

*Sophia Street*, Jewish Spiritual Wisdom. Owner and sole author, January 2011-present.

[www.sophiastreet.com](http://www.sophiastreet.com)

*Rabbis Without Borders*, Contemporary issues in Judaism. Monthly contributor, 2013-2018.

Occasional contributor, 2018-present. <http://www.myjewishlearning.com/blogs/rabbis-without-borders/>

## Podcasts

*Distant Prayers: COVID-10, Religion, and Conflict*. Seven episodes. Produced by Isabelle Ava-Pointon for the Distant Prayers research group, Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies, University of British Columbia. December 23 2020.

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-distant-prayers-podcast/id1545482916>

“Rabbi Laura Duhan-Kaplan on the Infinity Inside.” One episode. Interviewed by Jacob Given on his podcast *PTR: Poststructuralist Tent Revival*. September 15, 2020.

<https://soundcloud.com/ptrpodcast/rabbi-laura-duhan-kaplan-on-the-infinity-inside-72>

“Hope and Solidarity During COVID-19.” One episode. Conversation with Peter Noteboom and Geoffrey Cameron. *Public Discourse*, produced by Bahai Community of Canada. June 15, 2020. <https://www.bahaiblog.net/2020/06/the-public-discourse-episode-5-hope-solidarity-during-covid-19/>

## Articles and Book Chapters

“Humans, the End-Times Are in Your Hands: A Literary Reading of the Book of Zechariah” in *Visions of the End Times: Revelations of Hope and Challenge*, eds. Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Anne-Marie Ellithorpe, and Harry O. Maier (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications), in press, 2022.

“Adon Olam: A Mystical Interpretation” in *Renew Our Hearts: A Siddur for Shabbat Day* (Teaneck, NJ: Ben Yehuda Press), in press, 2022.

“Approaching Inter-Religious Studies” in *Before Theological Studies: A Thoughtful, Engaged, and Generous Approach*, eds. Richard Topping, Harry O. Maier, and Ashley Moyses (Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2021), 170-179.

“Vibration of the Other: A Kabbalistic Ecumenism” in *Encountering the Other: Christian and Multifaith Perspectives*, eds. Laura Duhan-Kaplan and Harry O. Maier (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2020), 118-126.

- "Mysticism in Mid-Life" in *Spiritual Voices*, eds. Eleanor Clitheroe and S. Brooke Anderson (Toronto: Thomas Merton Centre, 2018), 48-55.
- "Beyond 'Us' and 'Them': An Inter-Religious Journey," in *Quest for Respect: The Church and Indigenous Spirituality, Intotemak Magazine Special Issue*, Spring 2017: 130-132.
- "Snake Mind, Conscious Mind: Revisiting Torah's Serpents," *Kerem: A Journal of Creative Exploration in Judaism* 14 (2014): 16-20.
- "Yearning to Pray," *Kerem: A Journal of Creative Exploration in Judaism* 13 (2012): 60-63.
- "A New Form of Holocaust Commemoration Must Be Developed" in *Perspectives on Modern World History*, eds. David Haugen and Susan Musser (New York: Greenhaven Press, 2011), 169-180. Retitled and re-printed from "A Future for Holocaust Commemoration," *Tikkun: A Critique of Politics, Culture and Society* (March / April 2007), 49-53.
- "Unetaneh Tokef: Days of Judgment," *Kerem: A Journal of Creative Explorations in Judaism* 12 (2009-2010): 1-5.
- "What is the Point of Prayer? Some Midrashic Allusions in the Rosh Hashanah Service." *Maqom Journal of Rabbinic Literature Vol. XV* (Spring 2009).
- "Jessica Lynch: Multiple Images, Multiple Realities," in *Philosophical Perspectives on the War On Terrorism*, ed. Gail Presbey (Atlanta: Rodopi, 2007): 245-252.
- "A Future for Holocaust Commemoration," *Tikkun: A Critique of Politics, Culture and Society* (March / April 2007), 49-53. Reprinted [without permission of the author] as "A New Form of Holocaust Commemoration Must Be Developed" in *Perspectives on Modern World History*, eds. David Haugen and Susan Musser (New York: Greenhaven Press, 2011), 169-180.
- "Autobiographical Writing in the Philosophy Classroom." *Teaching Philosophy* 29:1 (March 2006).
- "Logic and Listening: A Study of the Opening Lines of Sifra on Leviticus" *Maqom Journal of Rabbinic Literature Vol. XII* (Winter 2005).
- "The Blood of Life: The Hatat Offering and September 11, 2001." *Jewish Biblical Quarterly* 129 (January-March 2005), 47-52. (An abridged, revised version of "The Blood of Life: Priestly Sacrifice and September 11.")
- "And You Shall Love: A Rabbinic Theodicy." *Maqom Journal of Rabbinic Literature Vol. IX* (Summer 2004).

- "Rabbinic Concepts and Contemporary Conscientious Objection," *Tikkun: A Critique of Politics, Culture and Society* (November/December 2004), 9-12.
- "A Theodicy of Peace: The Mystical Nonviolence of Rabbi Moses Cordovero." *The Acorn: Journal of the Gandhi-King Society* (Fall 2004): 53-57.
- "HIV / AIDS Policies: Compromising the Human Rights of Women" in *Linking Visions: Feminist Bioethics, Human Rights, and the Developing World*, ed. Rosemarie Tong, Anne Donchin and Susan Dodds (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2004): 235-246.
- "Beyond Holocaust Theology: Extending a Hand Across the Abyss" in *Autobiographical Writing Across the Disciplines*, eds. Diane P. Freedman and Olivia Frey (Durham, N.C.: Duke University Press, 2004), 205-215.
- "Disfigured Bodies and Social Identity: Ancient and Modern Reintegration Rituals." *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 11:1 (Spring 2004): 13-16.
- "The American Dream: Democracy or Meritocracy?" *Democracy and the Quest for Justice: Russian and American Perspectives*, eds. William Gay and Tatiana Alekseeva (Atlanta: Rodopi, 2004), 99-106. Co-authored with Charles Kaplan.
- "Living Within Tradition" in *Reflections on Philosophy, Feminism, and Faith*, eds. Ruth Groenhout and E. Marya Bower (Indianapolis: Indiana University Press, 2003), 190-197.
- "Tradition and Innovation: Metaphor in Philosophy and Philosophy of Religion." *Philosophic Exchange* (2002-2003): 49-59.
- "Norms and Narratives of Ethical Speech: Tots, Timber, and Talmud." *Maqom Journal of Rabbinic Literature Vol. IV* (Fall 2002).
- "Body and Soul: Roots of Remezim in Philo of Alexandria." *Maqom Journal of Rabbinic Literature Vol. II I* (Summer 2002).
- "Compassionate Listening: An Epistemology of Israeli-Palestinian Dialogue," *The Acorn: Journal of the Gandhi-King Society* (Spring-Summer 2002): 7-12.
- "Three Applications of Gadamer's Hermeneutics: Philosophy, Faith, and Feminism" in *Feminist Interpretations of Hans-Georg Gadamer*, ed. Lorraine Code (University Park, Pennsylvania: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2002), 367-376. (A revised version of "Living Within Tradition.")
- "Looking Backward, Moving Forward: Phenomenologies of Time and the Apology for Slavery" in *Philosophy and Everyday Life*, ed. Laura Duhan Kaplan (New York: Seven Bridges Press, 2001), 137-148.

- "The Blood of Life: Priestly Sacrifice and September 11." *Maqom Journal of Rabbinic Literature Vol. II* (Fall 2001).
- "Body, Mind, and Breath: A Mystical Perspective" in *Philosophy and Everyday Life*, ed. Laura Duhan Kaplan (New York: Seven Bridges Press, 2001), 231-238.
- "Talmud, Totality, and Jewish Pluralism: A Comment Inspired by Reading Emmanuel Levinas" *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 7:1 (Spring 2000): 47-52.
- "Engaging with Student Relativism: Addressing Student Developmental Issues Using Heidegger and Percy." *Teaching Philosophy* 23:3 (September 2000), 231-240.
- "Mothering as a Motivation for Pacifism: Theorizing from Inside and Out" in *Peacemaking*, eds. Judith Presler and Sally Scholz (Amsterdam: Rodopi, 2000).
- "Eros and the Future: Levinas's Philosophy of Family." *Philosophy in the Contemporary World*. 6:2 (Summer 1999): 9-13.
- "Is Philosophy Gender-Neutral? A Debate." *The Philosophers' Magazine*, Summer 1999, 39-42
- "Devaluing Others to Enhance our Self-Esteem: A Moral Phenomenology of Racism." *Institutional Violence*, eds. Robert Litke and Deane Curtin (Atlanta: Rodopi, 1999), 179-185.
- "In Support of a Modest Realism: Applications to Narratives of Self and Philosophical Methodology." *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 5:2-3 (Summer-Fall 1998): 23-26.
- "Encountering the Face of God: A Levinasian Exploration of Theistic Existentialism" *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 5:1 (1998): 1-5.
- "Physical Education for Domination and Emancipation: A Foucauldian Analysis of Aerobics and Hatha Yoga." *Philosophical Perspectives on Power and Domination: Theories and Practices*, eds. Laura Duhan Kaplan and Laurence F. Bove (Amsterdam: Rodopi, 1997), 59-78.
- "Democracy, Meritocracy and The Cognitive Elite: The Real Thesis of *The Bell Curve*." *Educational Theory* 47:3 (Summer 1997): 425-431. Co-authored with Charles Kaplan.
- "I Married an Empiricist: A Phenomenologist Examines Philosophical Personae." *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 3:4 (Fall 1996): 8-13.
- "Woman as Caretaker: An Archetype That Supports Patriarchal Militarism." *Bringing Peace Home: Feminism, Violence and Nature*, eds. Karen J. Warren and Duane Cady (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1996), 165-174. (Reprinted from *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* 9:2 (1994).)

- "The Parable of the Levite's Concubine." *From the Eye of the Storm: Regional Conflicts and the Philosophy of Peace*, eds. Laurence F. Bove and Laura Duhan Kaplan (Amsterdam: Rodopi, 1995), 249-260.
- "Persons and Mystery: Art, Conflict and Self-Knowledge," in *Becoming Persons: Proceedings of the First Annual Conference on Persons*, ed. Robert N. Fisher (Oxford: Applied Theology Press, 1995), 213-220.
- "Speaking for Myself in Philosophy." *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 1:4 (Winter 1994): 20-24.
- "My Mother the Mirror." *The Trumpeter* 11:4 (1994): 188-190. (Revised version of "Persons and Mystery" in *Becoming Persons* (1994).)
- "Teaching As Applied Philosophy." *Teaching Philosophy* 17:1 (1994): 5-16.
- "Teaching Intellectual Autonomy: The Failure of the Critical Thinking Movement." *Re-Thinking Reason: New Perspectives in Critical Thinking*, ed. Kerry Walters (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 1994), 205-219. (Reprinted from *Educational Theory* 41:4, 1991.)
- "Woman as Caretaker: An Archetype That Supports Patriarchal Militarism." *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* 9:2 (1994): 123-133.
- "A Liberal Feminist Critique of Political Realism." *On the Eve of the 21st Century: Perspectives of Russian and American Philosophers*, eds. William Gay and T. A. Alekseeva (Totowa, NJ: Rowman and Littlefield, 1993), 15-27.
- "On the Compatibility of Pacifism and Care." *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* 7:1 (1992): 132-133.
- "Teaching Intellectual Autonomy: The Failure of the Critical Thinking Movement." *Educational Theory* 41:4 (1991): 361-370.
- "Feminism and Peace Theory: Women as Nurturers vs. Women as Public Citizens." *In The Interest of Peace: A Spectrum of Philosophical Perspectives*, eds. Kenneth Klein and Joseph C. Kunkel (Wakefield, NH: Longwood Press, 1990), 247-257.
- "The Philosopher as Hero." *Teaching Philosophy* 13:2 (1990): 97-102.
- "Three Levels of Reading Philosophy." *Teaching Philosophy* 12:4 (1990): 355-360.
- "Ambiguity of Time, Self, and Philosophical Explanation in Merleau-Ponty, Husserl and Hume." *Auslegung* 13:2 (1987): 126-138.



**Book Reviews (selected)**

"Review of Walter Homolka and Albert H. Friedlander, *The Gate to Perfection: The Idea of Peace in Jewish Thought* (Berghahn Books, 1994)." *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 22:1 (2002), 38-39.

"A Trio of Books Applying the Ethic of Care: Personal, Institutional, and Global Dimensions." *Peace and Change* 24:4 (October 2000): 516-526

"Ambiguities of Autobiography: A Book Review of *Angela's Ashes: A Memoir*" by Frank McCourt." *Journal of Graduate Liberal Studies* 4:2 (Spring 1999): 105-109

"Review of Betty Reardon and Eva Nordland, with the assistance of Peter Zuber, eds. *Learning Peace: The Promise of Ecological and Cooperative Education* (State University of New York Press, 1994)." *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 18:1 (1998), 17-18.

"Review of Jane Gallop, *Feminist accused of sexual harassment* (Duke University Press, 1997)." *Philosophy and Literature* 22 / 2: 19 (1998), 6-8.

"Review of Jean Beaudrillard, *The Gulf War Did Not Take Place* (Indiana University Press, 1995)" *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 17:2 (Fall 1997), 18-19

"Review of Elaine Scarry, *The Body in Pain: The Making and Unmaking of the World* (Oxford University Press, 1985)." *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 16:2 (Fall 1996), 17-19.

"Review of Rosemary Radford Ruether and Marc H. Ellis, eds., *Beyond Occupation: American Jewish, Christian and Palestinian Voices for Peace* (Boston: Beacon Press, 1990)." *Women's Studies International Forum* 18:1 (1995): 85-86.

"Review of Janet Kourany, James P. Sterba and Rosemarie Tong, eds., *Feminist Philosophies* (Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1992)." *American Association of Philosophy Teachers News* 17:3 (1994), 15-16.

"Review of Susan Griffin, *A Chorus of Stones: The Private Life of War* (New York: Doubleday, 1992)." *Concerned Philosophers For Peace Newsletter* 13:3 (1993): 16-18.

**Encyclopedia Articles (Selected)**

"Edmund Husserl." *The Great Thinkers A to Z*, ed. Julian Baggini (Continuum Press, 2003): 122-124.

"Judaism and Nonviolence." *International Interdisciplinary Global Studies Encyclopedia*, eds. A.V. Mitrofanova (Editor-in-Chief) A.N. Chumakov (Editor of Russian Edition), and

W.C. Gay (Editor of English Edition) (Moscow: "Rosneftegazstroi," 2003): 309-312.

"Thomas Hobbes." *Encyclopedia of War and Ethics*, ed. Donald A. Wells (Greenwood Press, 1996): 204-206.

"Jean-Jacques Rousseau." *Encyclopedia of War and Ethics*, ed. Donald A. Wells (Greenwood Press, 1996): 415-416.

"Feminism." *Ready Reference: Ethics*, ed. John K. Roth (Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 1994): 312-315.

### **Other Articles (Selected)**

"What should your congregants know about the Muslim Faith?"; "How do you decide when a candidate for conversion is ready to become Jewish?"; "Does Jewish anxiety have a theological basis?"; "Should Jews pay taxes?"; "Are tattoos and body piercings taboo?" in *Can Robots Be Jewish? And Other Pressing Questions of Modern Life*, ed. Amy Schwartz (Simsbury, CT: Mandel Vilar, 2020). These articles originally appeared in *Moment Magazine*, 2009-2017.

"Staying in the Room," *Perspectives Magazine*, May 2015: 16-17.

"Aphorisms of Wisdom, Understanding and Knowledge," in *One God: Many Worlds*, ed. Netanel Miles-Yepetz (Boulder, CO: Albion-Andalus Books), 2015.

"Occupying Jewish Tradition: Torah Ideals as Safeguards Against Institutionalized Poverty" *Vancouver Jewish Independent*, February 10, 2012.

"A Spiritual Autobiography," *Living Legacies: A Collection of Inspirational Canadian Jewish Women*, ed. Liz Pearl (Toronto: PK Press, 2010), 91-94.

"Contemplation and Action: Responses to Global Economic Injustice," *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 19:2 (Fall 1999), 5-13.

"Mothering and Peace: Learning in Tandem: A Reply to Sally Scholz," *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 19:1(Spring 1999): 9-11.

"Personal Narrative in Philosophical Writing Assignments: Engaging with Descartes' Meditations." *American Association of Philosophy Teachers News* (Summer 1998).

"Travels with Squid." *Patagonian Winds* 2 (1997): 38-39.

"Ethics and Existential Meaning: A Comment on Santoni's 'On the Existential Meaning of

War.'" *Concerned Philosophers for Peace Newsletter* 17:1 (Spring 1997): 17-18.

"Is 'Women's Studies' Really 'Feminist Studies'?" *Multicultural Council Newsletter* 1:3 (Fall 1994): 4.

"Visions of War: Using Civil War Photography in the War and Peace Course." *Concerned Philosophers For Peace Newsletter* 14:1 (Spring 1994): 13-15.

"I Wouldn't Hurt a Flea: Is the Justified War Criterion of Right Intention Possible?" *Concerned Philosophers For Peace Newsletter* 12:2 (Fall 1992): 6-9.

"Masculine and Feminine Roles and the Perpetuation of War." *Concerned Philosophers For Peace Newsletter* 11:1 (Spring 1991): 10-11.

"Transforming the Philosophy Curriculum: A Course Outline for Teaching 'Society and Values.'" *APA Newsletter on Feminism and Philosophy* 90:1 (1990): 131-132.

"Encouraging Creativity in Philosophy." *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy* 88:4 (1989): 108.

"TRUTH AND EXPERIENCE or The Beagle's Tail." *American Atheist* 28:2 (1986): 29.

and Charles Kaplan. "Music for War and Peace Studies." *Concerned Philosophers For Peace Newsletter* 14:1 (Spring 1994): 19.

and Norris Frederick. "Critical Thinking, Metacognition and Self-Esteem." *American Association of Philosophy Teachers News* 14:3 (1991): 5-7.

and M. A. Norton. "Report on a Seminar in Teaching Philosophy Held at The Claremont Graduate School." *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy* 89:1 (1989): 17-19.

## UNIVERSITY COURSES TAUGHT

### **Graduate Inter-Religious Studies (2014-present)**

Religious, Spiritual, Secular: Living in a Pluralistic Society (Vancouver School of Theology, 2020).

Ritual, Liturgy, and the Sacred (Vancouver School of Theology, 2019, 2017).

Religion and Violence (Vancouver School of Theology, 2019).

Gender and Sexuality in Religious Traditions (Vancouver School of Theology, 2019).

Encountering the Other (Vancouver School of Theology, 2020, 2018, 2015)

Religious Pluralism (Native Ministries Consortium at Vancouver School of Theology, 2018, 2015)

Spiritual Perspectives on Death and Dying (Vancouver School of Theology, 2018).  
 Sacred Texts and Oral Traditions (Vancouver School of Theology, 2021, 2018, 2017)  
 Jews and Christians: A Theological Journey (Vancouver School of Theology, 2017)  
 Inter-Religious Views of the End Times (Vancouver School of Theology, 2017)  
 Integrating Seminar in Indigenous and Inter-Religious Studies (Vancouver School of  
 Theology, 2017, 2015)  
 Religions and the Other (Vancouver School of Theology, 2016)  
 Foundational Traditions of Judaism, Christianity and Islam (Vancouver School of Theology,  
 2015)  
 When Jews, Christians and Muslims Thought Alike: Themes in Medieval Philosophy  
 (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2015)

### **Graduate Jewish Studies (2008-present)**

Journey Through the Histories of Israel and Palestine (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2019,  
 2017).  
 Timeless Inquiries: Wisdom Literature and Contemporary Values (Vancouver School of  
 Theology, 2019, 2016, 2014)  
 How Jews Read the Bible: An Introduction to Rabbinic Midrash (Vancouver School of  
 Theology, 2018).  
 Spiritual Formation in Jewish Communities (Vancouver School of Theology, 2018, 2016,  
 2013)  
 Zechariah (Vancouver School of Theology, 2018; ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2016)  
 Animals as Jewish Spiritual Teachers [in Bible and Midrash] (2018, 2014)  
 Foundations of Jewish Philosophy and Theology (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2017, 2014,  
 2009)  
 Kabbalah: A Jewish Theology (Vancouver School of Theology, 2016, 2007)  
 Reinventing Theology: An Introduction to Classical Rabbinic Midrash (ALEPH Ordination  
 Programs, 2016, 2011)  
 Introduction to Jewish Thought (2016)  
 Genesis as a Spiritual Text (Vancouver School of Theology, 2015)  
 Learning to Love Leviticus (2015)  
 Introduction to Jewish Mysticism (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2015, 2012)  
 Losing God, Finding God: Jewish Responses to Suffering (ALEPH Ordination Programs,  
 2014, 2011, 2007)  
 Peace in Jewish Thought (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2012)  
 Philosophy and Biblical Interpretation (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2008)

### **Graduate Liberal Studies (1993-2004)**

Feminist Theory and Its Applications (UNC Charlotte)  
 The Idea of Human Nature (UNC Charlotte)  
 The Liberal Arts Tradition (UNC Charlotte)

**Graduate Educational Studies (1989-2015)**

Spiritual Pedagogy (ALEPH Ordination Programs, 2015, 2009)  
 Advanced Instructional Leadership (Mount St. Mary's College, 1991, 1989)  
 Philosophical and Historical Foundations of American Education (Mount St. Mary's College, 1990)  
 Dewey, Piaget and Whitehead (Claremont Graduate University, 1989)

**Undergraduate Religious Studies & Jewish Studies (2001-2012)**

Scriptures of the Near East (University of British Columbia)  
 Midrash and the Rabbinic Imagination (University of British Columbia)  
 Jewish Law: Ancient and Late Antique Traditions (University of British Columbia)  
 Jewish Mystical Philosophies (UNC Charlotte)  
 Jewish Responses to Catastrophe (University of British Columbia)  
 Women in Judaism (UNC Charlotte)

**Undergraduate Philosophy (1987-2004)**

Ancient Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Contemporary Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Critical Thinking (UNC Charlotte, CSU Northridge, Orange Coast College)  
 Deductive Logic (UNC Charlotte)  
 Ethics (UNC Charlotte)  
 Feminist Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Introduction to Philosophy (UNC Charlotte, Citrus College, Orange Coast College, West Coast University)  
 Modern Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Narrative Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Philosophy of Body (UNC Charlotte)  
 Philosophy of Education (UNC Charlotte)  
 Philosophy of Love and Sex (UNC Charlotte)  
 Philosophy of Religion (UNC Charlotte)  
 Practicum in Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Research Methods and Publication in Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Senior Thesis in Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Society and Values (CSU Northridge)  
 Theory of Knowledge (Orange Coast College)

**Undergraduate Women's Studies (1990-2004)**

Applied Research/Field Work in Women's Studies (UNC Charlotte)  
 Feminist Philosophy (UNC Charlotte)  
 Feminist Thought (UNC Charlotte)  
 Introduction to Women's Studies (UNC Charlotte)

**Undergraduate General Education (1990-2004)**

Advantage: Get Ready for College (UNC Charlotte)

Freshman Seminar (UNC Charlotte)

Independent Study (UNC Charlotte)

War, Peace, Justice and Human Survival (UNC Charlotte)

**RECENT ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS (2018-2021)**

“Spirit of Reconciliation: Jewish and Multifaith Approaches to Reconciliation.” OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, January 11, 2021.

“The Lion and the Lamb: Civic Friendship,” Conference Paper, American Academy of Religion, December 10, 2020.

“Religion and Public Life at the Vancouver School of Theology,” Presentation to the Centers for Religion and Public Life Working Group, American Academy of Religion, November 29, 2020.

“Spiritual But Not Religious: Finding a Common Language,” Conference Paper, Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 26, 2020.

“Future of Religion in North America.” Veritas Lecture, Kings University College, London ON, March 2, 2020.

“Covenant: Relatives on Sacred Land,” OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, Boulder CO, January 14, 2020.

“Beloved Land: Journey Through the Histories of Israel and Palestine,” Semester-long course for Jewish clergy, ALEPH: Alliance for Jewish Renewal, August–December 2019.

“The Violence of Othering: Hate Your Neighbor As Yourself,” Conference Paper, Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 27, 2019.

“Prophetic Vision: Jeremiah’s Urgent Vision for Our World.” OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, Boulder CO, January 14, 2019.

“The Afterlife Journey: Kabbalistic Guidelines for Death Preparation.” Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 23, 2018.

“Changing Geographies in Uncertain Times: Prophetic Guidance from Zechariah.” OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, Boulder CO, January 10, 2018.

"Zechariah's Guide to Utopian Hope." T'ruah Rabbinic Convening, Berkeley CA, August 21, 2017.

"Wars of the Lord: A Pacifist Reading of Zechariah's Apocalyptic Visions." Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 23, 2017.

### **RECENT COMMUNITY LECTURES & WORKSHOPS (2019-2021)**

"Isaiah's Lion and Lamb: Animal Inspiration for Justice and Hope," Limmud Seattle, January 17, 2021.

"SlateSpeak," Guest moderator. The Slate Project, January 14, 2021.

"Infinity Inside," Congregation Beth Israel, North Adams, MA, January 13, 2020.

"Jewish Spirituality" Oak Park Temple, Chicago, IL, January 6, 2020.

"Images of Hope." Dawn of Interspirituality New Year's Retreat, Satyana Institute, December 30, 2020.

"Approaching Leviticus." St. Brigid's, Christ Church Cathedral, November 9, 2020.

"Pandemic and Peace: Contribution of Religions to the World." Panel discussion. Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at, October 19, 2020.

"Creation: A Physicist and a Rabbi Speak," Christ Church Cathedral, October 17, 2020.

"Small Healings: Community at the Jewish New Year." Sermon, South Fraser Unitarians and Calgary Unitarian Church, September 27, 2020.

Global Interfaith Prayer for Healing. Prayer leader, panelist and workshop leader, Dawn of Interspirituality, August 11, 2020.

"Donkey: Your Spiritual Guide," Sermon, Congregation Beth Israel, July 4, 2020.

"Personal Relationship with God: Remembering Reb Zalman." Guest speaker, ALEPH Canada, June 23, 2020.

"The Radical Book of Ruth." Online guest teacher, King David High School, May 27, 2020.

"Traditions of Jewish Fasting." Guest speaker, Virtual Ramadan, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Delta BC, May 2, 2020.

"Zechariah's Political Guidance for Turbulent Times." Pacific Northwest Limmud Online, April 26 2020.

- "Who Was Vashti?" Guest speaker. Congregation HarEl, March 3, 2020.
- "Spiritual Community on the Land: An Ecological View of the Ten Commandments." Limmud Vancouver, March 1, 2020.
- "Jewish Rituals of Reading Scripture," Guest speaker, St. David's United Church, Feb 16, 2020
- "Spirituality in Everyday Life." Jewish Book Week, Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver, February 9, 2020.
- "March of the Living." Panelist, program for high school students, Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver, February 9 2020.
- "Spirituality." Guest Leader, Women's Retreat, West Vancouver United Church, February 8, 2020.
- "Micah's Theatre of Justice." Sermon, St. George's Anglican, Feb 2 2020.
- "Fire and Fear: Moses at the Burning Bush." Sermon, Congregation Beth Tikvah, January 18, 2020.
- Zechariah and the Spiritual Meaning of the Menorah, Guest sermon, Congregation Beth Israel, December 8, 2019.
- Resistance Never Ends: The Meaning of Hanukah. Guest Sermon, Beacon United Church, December 2, 2019.
- "Jacob: Shepherd or Sheep?" Congregation Beth Israel, November 30, 2019.
- "Inter-Religious Bullying." Guest lecture, Women's Interfaith Luncheon, Surrey Interfaith Council, November 24, 2019.
- "Bathsheba: Queen Mother." Sermon, Or Shalom Synagogue, November 23, 2019.
- "Cain: Accountable, Forgiven or Both?" Sermon, Mt. Seymour United Church, November 3, 2019.
- "Fathers: Abraham, Love, and Forgiveness," Rosh Hashanah/New Year Sermon, Or Shalom Synagogue, Sept 30, 2019
- "Repentance: Inner and Interpersonal Work for the Jewish New Year." Sermon, Beacon Unitarian Church, September 22, 2019.
- "Public Dialogue on Human Rights: From Hate to Hope in a Digital Age." Discussant, September 12, 2019.
- "Spirituality/The Infinity Inside." St. Andrews Wesley United Church August 20, 2019.



"Lord's Prayer Part 6: Lead Us Not Into Temptation." Sermon, West Vancouver United Church August 11 2019.

"Shabbat: Simple Acts of Cosmic Healing." Week-long summer workshop, Sorrento Centre, July 15-19 2019.

"Elijah, the Ravens, and the Widow." Sermon, Shaughnessy Heights United Church, July 7 2019.

"The Infinity Inside: Distinguishing Spiritual and Religious." Sermon, Unity of Vancouver June 23, 2019.

Scholar-in-Residence Weekend. Bnai Or Boston (USA), May 10–12, 2019.

"Called to Be Lonely? Loneliness of the Pastor/Rabbi." Knox United Church Lenten Lecture Series, April 10, 2019.

"Easter and Passover: An Exploration of Freedom, Prejudice, and Opportunity for Rebirth." Guest Speaker, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver, April 8, 2019.

"Protesting Animal Sacrifice." Guest sermon, Congregation Beth Israel, March 30, 2019.

"The Good Bride, Alley Theatre/Firehall Theatre Production." Post-show talkback discussion, March 3, 2019.

"Shabbat: Ancient Secrets of Rest and Renewal." Workshop/Retreat, Bethlehem Centre, Nanaimo, February 15-16, 2019.

Weekly Torah Study (via zoom), Kerem Havurah, Columbia, SC, February 4-March 18, 2019.

"Responding to Hate: World Interfaith Harmony Week," Panel discussion, February 2, 2019.

## **CONFERENCE COORDINATION**

"Religion and Thoughtful Activism." Conference Director. Annual Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 25–27, 2021. Online.

"Religious, Spiritual, Secular: Living in a Pluralistic Society." Conference Director. Annual Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 24–26, 2020. Online.

"Religion and Violence." Conference Director. Annual Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 26–28, 2019.

“Spiritual Perspectives on Death and Dying.” Conference Director. Annual Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 22–24, 2018.

“Limmud Vancouver Festival of Jewish Learning.” Conference Chair. April 14–15, 2018.

“Visions of the End Times.” Conference Director. Annual Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 23–25, 2017.

“*K’vod HaTzibbur*: Changing Roles of Jewish Clergy.” Conference Co-Chair. Annual meeting of OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, January 15–18, 2017.

“Encountering the Other.” Conference Director. Annual Inter-Religious Studies Conference, Vancouver School of Theology, May 15–17, 2016.

“Deep Ecumenism: *V’Chol Netivoteha Shalom*.” Conference Chair. Annual meeting of OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, January 10–13, 2016.

“Integral *Tikkun Olam*: Exploring New Visions.” Conference Co-Chair. Annual meeting of OHALAH: Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal, January 11–14, 2015.

Concerned Philosophers for Peace. Conference Chair. University of North Carolina at Charlotte, October 28–31, 2004.

ALEPH Ordination Programs Student Events. Coordinator, pre-conference weekend, December 2001, December 2002, January 2004; Coordinator, Talmud study weekend, July 2004.

“Face to Face With the Real World: Contemporary Applications of Levinas.” Conference Co-Chair. Walsh University, March 17–19, 1999.

Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World. Conference Chair. YMCA of the Rockies, August 8–14, 1999.

North Carolina Philosophical Society. President and Program Chair. University of North Carolina at Charlotte, February 24, 1996.

North Carolina Philosophical Society. Secretary-Treasurer and Program Chair. University of North Carolina at Charlotte, February 27, 1993.

Concerned Philosophers for Peace. Conference Chair. University of North Carolina at Charlotte, October 15–18, 1993.

**PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE (Selected)**

Member, Institutional Review Committee for Martin Luther University College, Wilfred Laurier University (2021).

Reviewer, *Arc: Journal of the School of Religious Studies*, McGill University (2020).

Program Committee Member, Bethlehem Centre (2018-2020)

Chair, Limmud Vancouver (Festival of Jewish Learning) (2017-2018)

Education Committee Chair, BC Multi-Faith Summit Council. (February 2016–June 2020; Council member, 2016–present).

Singer, Sulam World Jewish Music Ensemble (2015-present)

Pastor-on-call, Or Shalom Synagogue (2014-present)

Torah Reader; Prayer Service Leader, Or Shalom and Beth Israel Synagogues (2014-present)

Program Chair, Annual Conference, Ohalah Association of Clergy for Jewish Renewal (2014-2017)

Program Leader, Naramata Centre Summer Programs (2009, 2011, 2012, 2013)

Education Committee, Hebrew Schools, Vancouver Jewish Federation (2008-2010)

Co-Chair, Canadian Jewish Congress Jewish-Christian Dialogue (2007-2009)

Academic Vaad (Coordinating Committee), ALEPH Ordination Programs (2005-2015)

Member, Rabbinical Association of Vancouver, (2005-2014)

Instructor, Melton Adult Jewish Studies Program at the Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver (2005-2013)

Board of Directors, ALEPH: Alliance for Jewish Renewal (2005-2009)

Bingham Teaching Award Committee, Transylvania University (2002-2008)

Editorial Board, *Teaching Philosophy* (2002-2005)

Editorial Review Board, *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* (1998-2005)

Review Board, *Educational Theory* (1995-1998).

President, *Concerned Philosophers for Peace* (1999-2000)

Committee on the Status of Women, American Philosophical Association (2002-2003)

Chair, Self-Study External Review Committee, Philosophy Department, *University of Louisville, Kentucky* (April 1999).

President (1995-1997); Secretary-Treasurer (1993-1995), North Carolina Philosophical Society

Consultant, Self-Study Report, Cambridge College Institute of Open Education, Northampton Center (1986)