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**Curriculum Vitae**

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**EMPLOYMENT**

2024 Associate Professor, Department of History; Core Faculty, Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies, University of Oklahoma  
2015-2024 Assistant Professor, Department of History; Core Faculty, Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies; Core Affiliate Faculty, Women and Gender Studies, University of Oklahoma  
2013-15 Lecturer, Department of History and the Schusterman/Josey Program in Judaic and Israel Studies, University of Oklahoma  
2011-13 Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History and Program in Jewish Studies, University of Colorado at Boulder

**OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

2023- Book Editor, *Journal of Women's History*.

**EDUCATION**

**Northwestern University, Evanston, IL**

2010 Ph.D., American History  
Fields: 20th century America; American Jewish History; Women's and Gender History; Intellectual History.  
Minor fields: Modern Jewish History and Immigration.  
Dissertation: "Jewish Intellectuals, Masculinity, and the Making of Modern American Conservatism, 1930-1980."  
Gender Studies Certificate, June 2010.  
2004 M.A., American History  
M.A. thesis: "The Congress of American Women, 1946-1950: An International Feminist Project in a Polarizing World."

**Barnard College, Columbia University, New York City, NY**

2001 B.A., American Studies, *cum laude*. Honor's thesis awarded distinction. John Demos Prize in American Studies.

**PUBLICATIONS**

- *Write like a Man: Jewish Masculinity and the New York Intellectuals* (Princeton University Press, 2024).
  - Long listed for the National Book Critics Circle (NBCC) award in criticism.
  - Finalist for the National Jewish Book Award.
  - Reviewed in: *The Wall Street Journal* (March 22, 2024 online; March 23-24 print edition); *The Washington Post* (March 26, 2024 online); *The New York Times* (July 3, 2024 online; July 14, 2024, print edition); *The Times Literary Supplement* (November 15, 2024, print & online); *The New Republic* (July 5, 2024); *The*

*Forward* (July 17, 2024); *Publisher's Weekly* (January, 2024); *The New Statesman* (June 12, 2024); *The Chronicle of Higher Education* (April 24, 2024); *Jewish Currents*, "Shabbat Reading List," (July 19, 2024); *Open Letters Review* (March 28, 2024); Jewish Book Council (March 25, 2024); *New York Journal of Books* (June 17, 2024); *Choice* (September 2024); *Vol. 1 Brooklyn* (November 20, 2024); *Jewish Telegraph Agency* (syndicated elsewhere, (December 1, 2024); *Moment Magazine* (December 26, 2024); *London Grip* (January, 2025).

- Academic reviews: *European Journal of Jewish Studies* (Jan 2025); *Women in Judaism* (Sept. 2025).
- "'The First Lady of Neoconservatism': Midge Decter and the Politics of Family Values" (*Journal of American History*, December 2023).
- "Neither 'Sissy' Boy nor Patrician Man: New York Intellectuals and the Construction of American Jewish Masculinity," *American Jewish History* 98:3 (July 2014).
  - Awarded Wasserman Prize for Outstanding article in *American Jewish History* (2014)

### Works in Progress

- Book project: "'No More Nice Girls': Women's Liberation, Cosmopolitan Jews, and the Remaking American Intellectual Life"
- Edited volume: "The American Jewish Intellectual Tradition," ed. with Kevin Schultz (University of Illinois, Chicago) and David Weinfeld (Rowan University)

### Writings for the Broader Public

- "'Write Like a Man: The New York Intellectuals v. Women's Liberation,'" *Lilith* magazine (fall 2024). Serialized excerpt.
- "A Case of Unrequited Love," HNN: *History News Network*, September 24, 2024.
- "Gender, Judaism, and Twentieth-Century American Writing," with Ayelet Brinn, *Paper Brigade* (2025/5785), published by the Jewish Book Council.
- "'The Weapon of the Cultural Underdog': Masculinity and Jewish Identity in Mid Century American Jewish Letters," Jewish Book Council (online, March 25, 2024).
- "Forging an American Vision of Jewish Masculinity," *Ideas* (online magazine, published by Princeton University Press).
- "An overlooked conservative writer helps explain Trump's enduring appeal," *Made by History, Washington Post's*, May 20, 2022.
- "Midge Decter," *The Shalvi/Hyman Encyclopedia of Jewish Women*, The Jewish Women's Archive.

### Podcasts and Interviews

- "Behind the News," with Doug Henwood, KPFA radio (Berkeley) & podcast, (February 6, 2025).
- *Know Your Enemy*, with Sam Adler-Bell and Matthew Sitman, sponsored by *Dissent* magazine (April 17, 2024).

- *Why Now?* with Claire Potter, Episode 54: "Typewriter Combat" (May 13, 2024).
- New Books Network, with Miranda Melcher (August 30, 2024).
- Interview with Mitchell Abidor, "How American Jewish Marxists Forged a Macho Style for Public Intellectuals: A Conversation with Ronnie Grinberg about her book *Write Like a Man*," *Public Seminar*, October 24, 2024.
- Interview with David Cohen, "Remembering the New York Jewish Male," *The Jewish Chronicle*, August 22, 2024.
- *Time of Monster's* with Jeet Heer, *The Nation*, "Midge Decter's Legacy," (May 25, 2022).
- Interview with Pamela Nadell, author of *America's Jewish Women* (Norton, 2019), for the *Journal of Women's History* and New Books Network (February 2020).

### Public-Facing Teaching

- Roundtable by 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y, three-session online course: "Write Like a Man: Jewish Masculinity and the New York Intellectuals (October 15, 22, 29, 2024).
- New York City Public Schools, Hidden Voices initiative on American Jewish History and combatting antisemitism (forthcoming, Natalia Mehlman Pretzela, project PI).
  - Wrote biographical entries and designed teaching units for Rose Schneiderman, Lillian Hellman, Ida Schnall, and Midge Decter.

### Book Reviews

- Brinn, Ayelet, *A Revolution in Type: Gender and the Making of the American Yiddish Press* (New York University Press, 2023), in *The Journal of the Progressive Era and Gilded Age* (January 2025).
- Imhoff, Sarah, *Masculinity and the Making of American Judaism* (Bloomington: University of Indiana Press, 2017), *American Jewish History* (Vol. 102, No. 3) July 2018.
- Abrams, Jeanne E., *Jewish Denver, 1859-1940* (Denver: Arcadia Publishing, 2007). *American Jewish Archives Journal* (Vol. LX, No. 1 & 2) 2008.

### AWARDS & HONORS

2024-25	Long listed for the National Book Critics Circle (NBCC) award in criticism.
2024-25	Finalist, National Jewish Book Award, Celebrate 350 Award in American Jewish Studies.
2024-25	Finalist, National Jewish Book Award, Barbara Doblin Award in Women's Studies.
2015-16	Paula E. Hyman Mentorship Program, American Jewish Studies Association Women's Caucus.
2015	Elected to the Academic Council of the American Jewish Historical Society
2015	Wasserman Prize for most Outstanding Article in <i>American Jewish History</i> , 2014.
2008	Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Graduate Student Teacher Award, Honorable Mention, Northwestern University, Evanston.
2007-08	Associated Student Government Faculty Honor Roll, Northwestern University, Evanston.
2007	Lacy Baldwin Smith Prize for Teaching Excellence, Department of History, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2001 John Demos Prize in American Studies, Barnard College, Columbia University, New York City.

## **FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS**

2024 Presidential International Travel Fellowship, College of International Studies, University of Oklahoma.

2022 AJS Gender Justice Caucus Cashmere Subvention Award, Association for American Jewish Studies (AJS) Women's Caucus.

2020 Junior Faculty Fellowship, Office of Vice President for Research, University of Oklahoma.

2019 American Academy for Jewish Research Early Career Faculty Workshop at the Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania.

2017-18 Arts and Humanities Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma.

2017 Faculty Investment Program, University of Oklahoma (declined).

2017 Kevy Kaiserman Memorial Summer Fellow, The Myer & Rosaline Feinstein Center for American Jewish History, Temple University.

2017 Presidential International Travel Fellowship, College of International Studies, University of Oklahoma.

2016-17 Harry Ransom Center Research Fellowship in the Humanities, University of Texas at Austin.

2016 Junior Faculty Fellowship, Office of Vice President for Research, University of Oklahoma.

2011 Rosalie Katchen Travel Grant, Hadassah-Brandeis Institute, Brandeis University, Waltham.

2009-10 Teaching Assistantship, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2008-09 Crown Family Dissertation Fellowship in Jewish Studies, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2008 Residential College Conference Grant, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2008 Roberta Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies Conference Grant, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2007; 08 Graduate Research Grant, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2007; 08 University Conference Grant, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2007-08 Loewenstein-Wiener Fellowship, The Jacob Rader Marcus American Jewish Archives, Hebrew Union College/Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati.

2007-08 Alumnae Association of Barnard College Fellowship for Graduate Study, Barnard College, Columbia University, New York City.

2007-08 Graduate Assistantship, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2006 History Department Research Grant, Northwestern University, Evanston.

2003-07 University Graduate Fellowship, Northwestern University, Evanston.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Invited Talks**

2025 "Antisemitism and the Crisis of Liberalism," conference at Yale University. Organized by Samuel Moyn and Maurice Samuels. Invited to participate in a panel on "Theorists of Liberalism and the Jewish Question" (forthcoming, May 2025).

2025 University of Tel Aviv, invited book talk (forthcoming, May 2025).

- 2025 College of Idaho, invited book talk (forthcoming, March 2025).
- 2025 Dartmouth College, invited book talk (forthcoming, fall 2025).
- 2024 "Deconstructing Jewish Masculinity," Jewish Book Festival, Museum of Jewish Heritage, New York, New York (December 2024).
- 2024 In Conversation with Judith Rosenbaum of the Jewish Women's Archive and Rabbi David Starr, Ph.D. of Congregation Mishkan Tefila, book talk, Boston, MA.
- 2024 University of Hartford and University of Connecticut: "Jewish Masculinity in the Twentieth Century," invited book talk and conversation.
- 2024 In conversation with Miriam Mora for the launch of her book, *Carrying a Big Shtick: Jewish Acculturation and Masculinity in the Twentieth Century* (Wayne State Press, 2024), Center for Jewish History, New York, NY.
- 2024 George Washington University Jewish History Colloquium (Washington D.C.), book discussion, *Write Like a Man: Jewish Masculinity and the New York Intellectuals*.
- 2023 "Teach Out on Race 2023: Race and Religion in the Heartland" The Women and Gender Studies University Center for Social Justice, University of Oklahoma.
- 2021 "Always Right: Midge Decter, Norman Podhoretz, and the Making of an American Jewish Conservative Politics," part of a lecture series on "American Jewish Political Thought: Transnational Varieties," Simon Dubnow Institute for Jewish History & Culture, Leipzig, Germany & the Goldstein-Goren Center for American Jewish History at New York University.
- 2021 "Midge and Norman: The First Couple of Neoconservatism," Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies, Just Lunch Series, University of Oklahoma.
- 2020 "City College: 'The Jewish Harvard' and a World of Ideas," Center for Jewish History, New York. Part of a panel discussion of the film *Arguing the World* (1997).
- 2020 "A Conversation About the Relationship between Antisemitism and anti-Black Racism, and White Nationalists," with Karlos K. Hill, associate professor and chair of the Clara Luper Department of African American History at the University of Oklahoma. Sponsored by the NAACP and Temple B'nai Israel, Oklahoma City.
- 2018 "We March My Darlings: Being A Women New York Intellectuals," Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies, Just Lunch Series, University of Oklahoma.
- 2018 "The Ties That Bind: African American and Jewish Relations in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century," Ralph Ellison Library, Oklahoma City.
- 2014 "The Rise and Fall of the ERA Amendment," Institute for the American Constitutional Heritage, University of Oklahoma, Norman.
- 2013 "What does History Say We Are," Jewish Federation of Oklahoma City.
- 2013 "New York Jewish Intellectuals and Gender," Schusterman/Josey Program in Judaic and Israel Studies, University of Oklahoma, Norman.
- 2011 "Jewish Soldiers in Blue and Gray," Jewish Community Center, Boulder, CO.

### Academic Panels Organized

- 2023 Panel: "Sexual Politics, Continuity, & Power: Interrogating Our Sources through Feminist Lenses." Paper: "The Village Voice and the Making of a Female Jewish Intellectual Sensibility in 1970s America." Lightning session organized with Rachel Kranson (University of Pittsburgh), Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA (Dec. 2023).

- 2023 “Is there American Jewish Intellectual Tradition?” a roundtable organized with David Weinfeld, 14<sup>th</sup> annual U.S. Intellectual History Conference, Denver, CO.
- 2015 Panel: “American Jews and the Long 1960s.” Paper presented: “World of Our Fathers and World of Our Sons: New York Intellectuals and Student Radicalism,” Association for Jewish Studies 47th Annual Conference, Boston, MA.
- 2015 Panel: “Secularity and Religiosity in the Long 1960s.” Paper presented: “‘Storming the Bastille’: the New York Intellectuals and the New Left,” 7<sup>th</sup> annual U.S. Intellectual History Conference and Meeting of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, Washington DC.
- 2013 Panel: “Remapping Liberalism(s) in the Cold War Era, 1949-1978.” Paper presented: “Cold War Liberalism to Neoconservatism: The New York Intellectuals and a Transnational Gender Political Discourse,” 5th annual U.S. Intellectual History Conference and Meeting of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, University of California, Irvine.
- 2012 Panel: “Antisemitism in Postwar America.” Paper presented: “Postscript to the Rosenberg Case’: Jewishness, Anticommunism, and the Articulation of Masculine Cold War Liberalism,” the American Historical Society Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- 2011 Panel: “American Jewish Intellectuals and Gender.” Paper presented: “The New York Intellectuals and the Construction of Secular American Jewish Masculinity,” the Association for Jewish Studies 43rd Annual Conference, Washington DC.

#### **Academic Papers Presented & Panels Chaired**

- 2024 Roundtable: “Cross-disciplinary Encounters in Gender and Sexuality Research in Jewish Studies,” Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference (virtual conference, December 2024).
- 2024 Roundtable: “Where the Sacred Meets Secular in American Politics,” 15<sup>th</sup> annual Society for U.S. Intellectual History conference, Boston, MA (November 14-16, 2024).
- 2024 Panel: “New Interpretations of Jewish Masculinity in American Culture.” Paper Presented: “Women’s Liberation and Defying Jewish Masculinity at *The Village Voice*,” British and Irish Association for Jewish Studies, Bristol, UK.
- 2024 Roundtable: “Jewish and Radical,” Biennial Scholars Conference on American Jewish History, American Jewish Historical Society, New York City.
- 2023 Chair/commentator, “Gender and Sexuality in 1950s America,” 14<sup>th</sup> annual U.S. Intellectual History Conference, Denver, CO.
- 2022 Chair, “Modern Jewish Identities,” 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Western Jewish Studies Association, University of Oklahoma.
- 2019 “From Pen to Rifle: Gender and Zionism among the New York intellectuals,” 11<sup>th</sup> annual U.S. Intellectual History Conference and Meeting of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, New York, New York.
- 2017 Chair (substituted for Kirsten Fermaglich, Michigan State University): “The Workings of Race and Nationhood in African American, Arab, Chaldean, Chinese, and Jewish American Cemeteries in 19<sup>th</sup>-Century America, American Historical Association Annual Meeting (AHA), Washington DC.
- 2017 “The New York Intellectuals and the New Left on College Campuses,” the Association for Jewish Studies 49th Annual Conference, Washington DC.

- 2017 "Prisoner of Masculinity": The New York Intellectuals and Second Wave Feminism," 9<sup>th</sup> annual U.S. Intellectual History Conference and Meeting of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, Dallas, Texas.
- 2017 "The Prisoner of Sex: The New York Intellectuals and Feminism," 17<sup>th</sup> World Jewish Congress, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 2016 "Town Bloody Hall: The New York Intellectuals and Second Wave Feminism," Association for Jewish Studies 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.
- 2016 Chair, "Moving History Across Borders," Biennial Scholars Conference on American Jewish History, New York.
- 2014 "Commentary's 'My Negro Problem' Reassessed: Milton Himmelfarb, Norman Podhoretz, and Black-Jewish Masculinities," Biennial Scholars Conference on American Jewish History, American Jewish Historical Society, Atlanta.
- 2013 "From 'Outsiders' to 'Insiders'? The Role of American Jewish Intellectuals in a Transnational Gendered Discourse at the Height of the Cultural Cold War," The Mid-America Conference, University of Oklahoma, Norman.
- 2011 "The New York Intellectuals, Masculinity, and the Roots of Neoconservatism," the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual US Intellectual History Conference and Inaugural Meeting of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, The Graduate Center, City University of New York.
- 2011 Faculty chair, "Read All About It: 20<sup>th</sup> Century U.S. Society Through Newspapers and Political Cartoons," Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary Graduate History Conference, University of Colorado at Boulder.
- 2010 "An Often Overlooked Conservative: Midge Decter – 'A Scourge of Feminist Dogma,'" 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual US Intellectual History Conference, The Graduate Center, City University of New York.
- 2010 "'A Herd of Independent Minds?' Jewish Intellectuals and the Formation of Masculine Cold War Liberalism," Biennial Scholars Conference on American Jewish History, American Jewish Historical Society, New York City.
- 2009 "'The Encounter Row': Jewish Intellectuals, Gender, and the Cold War," 15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Jewish Studies, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 2009 "The 'First lady of Neoconservatism': Midge Decter and the Bridging of Neoconservatives within the Larger Conservative Movement," Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Seattle.
- 2008 "A Tale of Two Irvings': Irving Howe and Irving Kristol and the Role of the Intellectual in American Jewish Discourse at the Height of the Cold War," Association for Jewish Studies 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington D.C.
- 2007 "'Sissy, the Most Dreaded Epithet of American Boyhood' The Gendered Politics of Jewish Intellectuals and the Civil Rights Movement," Association for Jewish Studies 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Toronto, Ontario.
- 2007 "Growing Up Jewish, Becoming Neoconservative," Intellectuals and the Academy in Public Life Conference, Brown University, Providence.
- 2007 "Neocons are Not Sissies: Reconstructing American Jewish Masculinity, 1963-1973," Graduate Symposium on Women and Gender History, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

## TEACHING

### University of Oklahoma

- American Jewish History, 1965-Present
- American Jews, Jewish Americans
- Jews and Hollywood
- History of Anti-Semitism (forthcoming, fall 2025)
- The United States, 1865-Present
- Modern American Women
- The United States in the Cold War Era
- The Long 1960s
- The Global 1960s

### Faculty-in-Residence, Puebla Mexico, University of Oklahoma (Fall 2018)

- The Global 1960s in the Americas

### University of Colorado at Boulder

- America, 1945-1973
- American Jewish History, 1880-Present
- Introduction to Jewish History (co-taught with David Shneer)

### Northwestern University

- U.S. History as Women's and Gender History (lecture course)
- Suburbia and the American Dream, 1945-1963 (freshman seminar)
- The Cold War at Home (advanced undergraduate seminar)
- Jews in Modern America (advanced undergraduate seminar)
- Roots of Feminism (teaching assistant)
- American Cultural History (teaching assistant)
- U.S. History Survey (teaching assistant)

## SERVICE

### Profession

- Manuscript reviewer, *American Political Thought*, *Journal of Women's History*, *American Jewish History*, *Studies in American Jewish Literature*.

### University of Oklahoma

- University of Oklahoma Arts and Humanities Forum's Faculty Advisory Committee (2021-24)
- Undergraduate Committee, History Department, 2022-
- US History Survey Co-Coordinator, 2023-
- Ad-Hoc Committee for New Faculty, History Department, 2022-
- Strategic Plan Committee, History Department, 2021-22.



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- Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies, University of Oklahoma Jewish Film Festival organizers, 2016; 2022
- Editor, *JuSt*, yearly newsletter of the Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies, University of Oklahoma, 2015-2020

#### **Graduate Student Committees**

- Serra Bardin (MA, in progress), advisor
- Elizabeth Young (MA 2023)
- Kaylee Maxee, University of Oklahoma (MA, 2022)
- Chelsea Ball, University of Oklahoma (MA, 2016; Ph.D. 2021)  
Now assistant professor, tenure-track, University of Central Oklahoma.
- Katrin Stamatis, University of Oklahoma School of Music (Ph.D. 2019)

#### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

2005-Present	Organization of American Historians (OAH)
2005-Present	American Historical Association (AHA)
2007-Present	Association for Jewish Studies (AJS)
2010-Present	Society for U.S. Intellectual History (S-USIH)
2015-Present	Academic Council of the American Jewish Historical Society

#### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2007-08	Teaching Fellow, Searle Center for Teaching Excellence, Northwestern University, Evanston.
2005-09	Assistant Master, Women's Residential College, Northwestern University, Evanston. Mentored and advised women living in the college.
2007	Research Assistant, Nancy MacLean's <i>The Modern Women's Movement: A Brief History with Documents</i> (Bedford/St. Martin's Press, April 2008).
2001-03	Editorial Assistant, Random House, Clarkson Potter Publishers, Crown Publishing Group, New York City.
2000	Editorial Intern, <i>New Yorker</i> , New York City.