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9 August 2020

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the ISGAP Team, it is with great pleasure that I am writing to welcome you to the **ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute for Curriculum Development in Critical Antisemitism Studies**, to be held online, beginning Sunday, 9 August to Thursday 13 August.

I am certain given your qualifications, experience and commitment to understanding and combating antisemitism and all forms of hate, and to scholarship itself, that you will add much to the program. The success of the Summer Institute is dependent on the contributions you and our colleagues will bring to this timely gathering.

I am optimistic that the ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute will continue to make inroads into creating a "space" within academia for the study of critical contemporary antisemitism as a new academic discipline. In effect, we are beginning to break a taboo and the silence.

Through our groundbreaking program, we are developing a formal and informal network of scholars committed to this goal. We are committed to ensuring that more professors teach courses in contemporary critical antisemitism studies, and that students will engage this subject matter, and join our efforts.

Given these tumultuous times, that include a rise of antisemitism globally, racism, and other forms of prejudice, our work and meeting is all the more vital.

Your engagement and efforts are welcome. In fact, we hope you will become ambassadors for these vital and timely efforts.

Looking forward to seeing you online.

Sincerely,

Charles Asher Small

ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute Convener

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**Sunday, 9 August 2020**

**12:00-3:00 P.M. EST**

Welcoming Remarks: *Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dennis Bennie*

*Rabbi Akiva Zweig:*

*“The Loneliness Pandemic and the Human Capacity for Cruelty and Empathy”*

*Dr. Mohammad Abdulkarim Al-Issa:*

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- 9:00-10:30 A.M. ***Dr. Joël Kotek: “The Myth of Judas as the Origin of Modern Antisemitism”***  
***Professor Jonathan Wolff: “The Lure of Fascism”***
- 10:30 A.M. Break
- 11:00-12:30 P.M. ***Professor David Patterson: “Antisemitism from Hitler to Hamas”***  
***Professor Shay Pilnik: “Memory Without Memories: The Story of Babi Yar”***
- 12:30 P.M. Lunch Break
- 1:30-3:00 P.M. ***Dr. Barry Kosmin: “Global Antisemitism and the University: A 200-Year Problem”***  
***Dr. Charles Asher Small: “Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity”***
- 3:00 P.M. Break
- 3:30-4:30 P.M. ***Discussion Group***
- 4:30-5:30 P.M. **Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dr. Carlton Long – Office Hours**
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### **Tuesday, 11 August 2020**

- 8:00-9:00 A.M. **Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dr. Carlton Long – Office Hours**
- 9:00-10:30 A.M. ***Professor Uzi Rabi: “Pandemics and Antisemitism: Corona Days in the Middle East”***  
***Professor Yossi Shain: “The Israeli Century, the Corona Epidemic and Antisemitism”***
- 10:30 A.M. Break
- 11:00-12:30 P.M. ***Professor Mohammed S. Dajani: “Combating Antisemitism in the Arab/Muslim World”***  
***Dr. Ramy Aziz: “The Islamists and Contemporary Forms of Antisemitism (Anti-Zionism and Anti-Israel)”***
- 12:30 P.M. Lunch Break
- 1:30-3:00 P.M. ***Professor Benny Morris: “A Fresh Look at the 1948 War, the First Arab-Israeli War”***  
***Professor David Menashri: “Iran, Israel and the Jews”***
- 3:00 P.M. Break
- 3:30-4:30 P.M. ***Discussion Group***
- 4:30-5:30 P.M. **Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dr. Carlton Long – Office Hours**
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### **Wednesday, 12 August 2020**

8:00-9:00 A.M. **Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dr. Carlton Long – Office Hours**

9:00-10:30 A.M. **Professor David Hirsh: “Is there a Relationship Between Antisemitism and Contemporary Populism?”**  
**Haras Rafiq: “Antisemitism – The Fuel of the Triple Threat”**

10:30 A.M. Break

11:00-12:30 P.M. **Professor Sylvia Barack Fishman:**  
**“Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism in Contemporary Social Movements”**  
**Dr. Joel Finkelstein:**  
**“Digital Antisemitism, Platform Sponsored Terror and the Race War”**

12:30 P.M. Lunch Break

1:30-3:00 P.M. **Kenneth L. Marcus: “Defining and Combating Anti-Semitism”**  
**Jacob Dallal: “The Jewish State Combatting New Antisemitism”**  
**Special Envoy Elan Carr:**  
**“Philo-Semitic Curricula and Narratives - A Proactive Response to Anti-Semitism”**

3:00 P.M. Break

3:30-4:30 P.M. **Discussion Group**

4:30-5:30 P.M. **Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dr. Carlton Long – Office Hours**

5:30 P.M.-8:00 A.M. **Open Room Nightcap - Optional**

### **Thursday, 13 August 2020**

8:00-9:00 A.M. **Dr. Charles Asher Small and Dr. Carlton Long – Office Hours**

9:00-10:30 A.M. **Professor Ansel Brown:**  
**“Common Bonds and Experiences of African and Jewish Communities”**  
**Professor Katya Gibel Mevorach:**  
**“Framing Racism and Antisemitism Against Willful Ignorance”**

10:30 A.M. Break

11:00-12:30 P.M. **Professor Sunni Ali: “When Hip-Hop Exercises Antisemitism”**  
**Fentahun Assefa-Dawit: “Israel through the Eyes of an Ethiopian Jew”**

12:30 P.M. Lunch Break

1:30-3:00 P.M. **Curriculum Presentations**

3:00 P.M. Break

3:30-4:30 P.M. **Curriculum Presentations and Closing Remarks from Dr. Charles Asher Small**



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**SYLLABUS**



**READINGS PREPARED FOR THE  
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**SUBJECT ONE:** Global Antisemitism

Charles Asher Small, *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity* (New York, 2014)

Robert S. Wistrich, *Antisemitism: The Longest Hatred* (London, 1991)

**SUBJECT TWO:** From Nazi to Islamic and Arab Antisemitism

Robert S. Wistrich, *A Lethal Obsession: Antisemitism from Antiquity to the Global Jihad* (New York, 2010)

Jeffrey Herf, *Nazi Propaganda for the Arab World* (Ann Arbor, 2009)

Matthias Küntzel, *Jihad and Jew-Hatred: Islamism, Nazism and the Roots of 9/11* (New York, 2007)

David G. Dalin and John F. Rothman, *Icon of Evil: Hitler's Mufti and the Rise of Radical Islam* (New York, 2008)

**SUBJECT THREE:** The Left, Israel and Anti-Zionism

Robert S. Wistrich, *From Ambivalence to Betrayal: The Left, the Jews, and Israel* (University of Nebraska Press, 2012)

Arkada Vaksberg, *Stalin Against the Jews* (New York, 1994)

Isaac Deutscher, *The Non-Jewish Jew and Other Essays* (London, 1958)

Robert S. Wistrich, "Judeophobia and Marxism," *Commentary Magazine*, December 2014

**SUBJECT FOUR:** Post-2000: The "New" Antisemitism in Europe

David Nurenberg, *Anti-Judaism: The Western Tradition* (W.W. Norton, 2013)

Pierre-André Taguieff, *Rising from the Muck: The New Antisemitism in Europe* (Chicago, 2004)

Robin Shepherd, *A State Beyond the Pale: Europe's Problem with Israel* (London, 2009)

**SYLLABUS 2020**

**Sunday, 9 August**

**12:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M. EST**

Welcoming Remarks:

**Dr. Charles Asher Small**, Program Convener  
Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP  
Goldman Fellow, School of Government and Public Policy;  
Senior Research Fellow, Moshe Dayan Centre for Middle East  
and African Studies, Tel Aviv University;  
Research Scholar, St. Antony's College, Oxford University

Lectures:

**Rabbi Akiva Zweig**  
Dean (Rosh Yeshiva), Talmudic College of Florida

***“The Loneliness Pandemic and the Human Capacity for Cruelty and Empathy”***

We will be exploring the Torah's explanation of the role of the Jew in the world and how antisemitism is a rejection of that paradigm, and the resulting consequences in human social mores. Also, we will look at the impact of global loneliness and how contemporary society is furthering that condition. We will also look at the Torah's solution for loneliness and elucidate how that solution breeds empathy as opposed to cruelty.

**Dr. Mohammad Abdulkarim Al-Issa**  
Secretary General, Muslim World League  
Chairman, International Body of Muslim Scholars  
Member, Senior Scholars Organization, Saudi Arabia

***“The Challenge of Antisemitism and Islamophobia”***

**Natan Sharansky**  
Chair, ISGAP  
2020 Genesis Prize Laureate  
Former Chairman of the Jewish Agency  
Former Cabinet Minister of the Government of Israel

***“Defining Anti-Semitism Clearly:***

***Can Red Lines Unite Us, not just Divide Us - and Liberate Debate, not just Suffocate Debate”***

The international definition of antisemitism, including the 3D principle, was intended to define the borders between legitimate criticism of Israel and the new antisemitism. In today's world of extreme polarization and cancel culture, clear definitions of antisemitism are especially important if we are to pursue a struggle against racism that will unite us and not divide us.



**Dr. Charles Asher Small**  
Executive Director, ISGAP  
Research Scholar, St. Antony's College, Oxford

**“Introduction - Creating Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies: Breaking a Taboo”**

This introductory lecture will provide an outline of the purpose of the Summer Institute as a whole, mainly, the need to create critical contemporary antisemitism studies in academia. This summary will examine the state of the study of contemporary antisemitism in academia, and the need to create a vibrant community of scholars to engage in the subject matter at this crucial moment.

**Independent Viewing**    *24 Days: The True Story of the Ilan Halimi Affair*

French drama film directed by Alexandre Arcady and released in 2014, which examines The Affair of the Gang of Barbarians of January 2006.

Available on Crackle in U.S.: <https://www.crackle.com/watch/6700>

Available on Amazon Prime Video: [https://www.amazon.com/Days-English-Subtitled-Zabou-Breitman/dp/B00WYWR2AI/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?dchild=1&keywords=24+days+film&qid=1594929360&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Days-English-Subtitled-Zabou-Breitman/dp/B00WYWR2AI/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=24+days+film&qid=1594929360&sr=8-1)

**Readings (Small)**

Charles Asher Small, *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity* (New York, 2014)

Robert S. Wistrich, *Antisemitism: The Longest Hatred* (London, 1991)

David Nirenberg, *Anti-Judaism: The Western Tradition*, (New York: W.W. Norton, 2013).

**Recommended Readings (Small)**

Manuel Castells, *The Rise of the Network Society* (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1996)

Manuel Castells, *The Power of Identity* (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1997)

Tony McGrew, Stuart Hall, and David Held, eds., *Modernity and its Futures* (London: Polity Press, 1992)

David Harvey, *The Condition of Postmodernity* (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1989)

Ayse Oncu and Petra Weyland, *Space, Culture and Power: New Identities in Globalising Cities* (London: Zed Press, 1997)

Saskia Sassen, *Territory, Authority, Rights: From Medieval to Global Assemblages* (Princeton University Press, 1996)

### Readings (Zweig)

1. *The Bible*, Book of Lamentations, Chapter 1
2. *The Bible*, Book of Job
3. Vivek H. Murthy MD, 19th Surgeon General of the U.S., *Together: The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World* (HarperCollins, 2020).
4. Celeste Headlee, *We Need to Talk: How to Have Conversations That Matter* (Harper Wave, 2017).
5. Jean Vanier, *Becoming Human* (Paulist Press, 2008).

### Readings (Sharansky)

1. Natan Sharansky, “On Hating the Jews” (Wall Street Journal, 2003).  
<https://www.wsj.com/articles/SB122729626907148599>
2. Natan Sharansky, “3D Test of Anti-Semitism: Demonization, Double Standards, Delegitimization,” (Jewish Political Studies Review 16:3-4, 2004). <https://www.jcpa.org/phas/phas-sharansky-f04.htm>
3. Gil Troy, “The Rise of Antisemitism and What to do About it” (Jewish Journal, 2019).  
[https://jewishjournal.com/cover\\_story/303681/the-rise-of-anti-semitism-and-what-to-do-about-it/](https://jewishjournal.com/cover_story/303681/the-rise-of-anti-semitism-and-what-to-do-about-it/)
4. Gil Troy, “Not Antisemitism but ‘Jew-haterism’ & facelessness” (Jerusalem Post, 2019).  
<https://www.jpost.com/opinion/not-antisemitism-but-jew-haterism-and-facelessness-612692>

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### Monday, 10 August

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M. Dr. Joël Kotek**  
Free University of Brussels (ULB) and  
The Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Paris

#### ***“The Myth of Judas as the Origin of Modern Antisemitism”***

This presentation will aim to demonstrate that the very antisemitism that holds Jews responsible for the woes of the world was born in the Middle Ages. Furthermore, that the myth of Judas is the prefiguration of it. Antisemitism which hates the "Jew" should not be confused with anti-Judaism which rejects "Judaism".

### Readings (Kotek)

1. *La Belgique et ses Juifs: de l'antijudaïsme comme code culturel, à l'antisionisme comme religion civique*, Études du CRIF, 2004.
2. *La carte postale antisémite: de l'affaire Dreyfus à la Shoah*, avec Gérard Silvain, Paris, Berg, 2005.
3. *Cartoons and extremism: Israel and the Jews in Contemporary Arab and Western Cartoons*. London: Valentine Mitchell, 2008.
4. Sara Lipton, *Dark Mirror: The Medieval Origins of Anti-Jewish Iconography*. New York: Metropolitan Books, 2015.
5. Gunther Jikeli, *European Muslim Antisemitism: Why Young Urban Males Say They Don't Like Jews*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2015.

### 9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M. Professor Jonathan Wolff

Alfred Landecker Professor of Values and Public Policy,  
Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford;  
Governing Body Fellow, Wolfson College Oxford

#### ***“The Lure of Fascism”***

Commentator Emily Lorimer, writing in 1938, warned that Hitler’s initial program was composed of three elements: the desire to create a ‘truly German’ state; to attack social democracy; and to secure the rights of the workers’. In this talk I take up Lorimer’s themes to consider developments in contemporary democracies, exploring especially how authoritarian leaders are again playing up ideas of national identity and undermining the institutions that hold democracy together. I also consider the dangers in attempting to graft crude nationalist ideas on to the workers’ movement.

### Readings (Wolff)

1. E.O. Lorimer, *What Hitler Wants* (London: Penguin, 1939)
2. Robert Paxton, *The Anatomy of Fascism* (London: Allen Lane, 2004)
3. Jason Stanley, *How Fascism Works* (New York: Random House, 2018)

### 11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Professor David Patterson

Hillel Feinberg Chair in Holocaust Studies  
Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies  
University of Texas at Dallas

***“Antisemitism from Hitler to Hamas”***

This presentation explores the genealogical development of antisemitism from the time of the Holocaust, through the post-Holocaust spread of the Muslim Brotherhood, and up to the Brotherhood’s offshoot, Hamas. The presentation pays particular attention to the Islamist Mufti of Jerusalem Haj Amin al-Husseini, as a key go-between for the Nazis and the Muslim Brotherhood. Al-Husseini had his first meeting with Hitler in November 1941 and organized Muslim SS killing units in the Balkans. In July 1946, now a Nazi war criminal, the Brotherhood gave him a hero’s welcome when he turned up in Cairo. Next the presentation goes into al-Husseini’s recruitment and indoctrination of Yasser Arafat, and from there to the Brotherhood’s most influential ideologue Sayyid Qutb and his Nazi-inspired promotion of exterminationist Jew hatred. It will be shown how his influence extended throughout the Jihadist world to such organizations as the PLO, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Al-Qaeda, Hezbollah, and Hamas. Although these Islamic Jihadists either deny the Holocaust or claim that the Jews were behind it, their ultimate, stated aim is to continue the work of the Nazis and bring about a Final Solution to the Jewish Question.

**Readings (Patterson)**

1. David Patterson, *A Genealogy of Evil: Anti-Semitism from Nazism to Islamic Jihad* (Cambridge, 2010)
2. Matthias Küntzel, *Jihad and Jew-Hatred: Islamism, Nazism, and the Roots of 9/11* (Telos, 2007)
3. Barry Rubin, *Nazis, Jihadists, and the Making of the Modern Middle East* (Yale, 2014)
4. David Patterson, *Anti-Semitism and Its Metaphysical Origins* (Cambridge, 2016)

**11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Dr. Shay Pilnik**

Director, Emil and Jenny A. Fish Holocaust and Genocide Studies Center  
Yeshiva University

***“Memory Without Memories: The Story of Babi Yar”***

Babi Yar is the ravine on the outskirts of Kiev where over 100,000 people, primarily Jews, were murdered by the German Nazis and their collaborators during World War II. While the Soviet Government attempted to forget about Babi Yar and, later, erase this massive grave from the face of the earth, both Jewish and non-Jewish artists and writers managed to preserve its memory in a variety of forms over several decades. In poetry, fiction, music and fine arts, these artists and cultural activists turned Babi Yar into the focal point of Soviet dissent and of the nascent Jewish nationalist revival movement in the USSR during the 1960s and 1970s. Their work has showed the extent to which Babi Yar came to constitute a “memory realm,” both physical and abstract, where Soviet and Jewish identities and, also, the meta-narratives of the Shoah and the Great Patriotic War, could converge. Parallel to this, the story of Babi Yar’s commemoration is a perfect example of the power and endurance of collective memory in a case where no physical memorial could be constructed as a memory marker for a historic event.

### Readings (Pilnik)

1. Young, James. *The Texture of Memory: Holocaust Memorials and Meaning*. New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 1993.
2. Wiesel, Elie. *The Jews of Silence: A Personal Report on Soviet Jewry*. New York, Schocken Books, 1987.
3. Sheldon, Richard. “The Transformation of Babi Yar,” in *Soviet Society and Culture: Essays in Honor of Vera S. Dunham*, ed. Terry Thompson and Richard Sheldon, 124-161. Boulder, CO and London: Westview Press, 1988
4. Mankoff, Jeff. “Babi Yar and the Struggle for Memory, 1944-2004.” *Ab Imperio* 2 (2004):393-415.

### 1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M. Dr. Barry Kosmin

Professor Emeritus, Trinity College, Connecticut

#### **“Global Antisemitism and the University: A 200-Year Problem”**

There is a long history of Jews beings subject to exclusion and discrimination both as students and faculty at universities. This has occurred frequently in societies as varied as the US, UK, Germany, Poland and Russia/USSR. In addition the university in its role as an intellectual centre has been and continues to be the locus of ideological and social antisemitism in many countries.

### Readings (Kosmin)

1. Julien Benda, *La Trahison des Clercs*, Paris 1927.
2. Paul Ritterband & Harold S. Wechsler, *Jewish Learning in American Universities*, Indiana U.P., 1994.
3. Barry A. Kosmin & Ariela Keysar, *National Demographic Survey of American Jewish College Students, 2014: Anti-Semitism Report*, Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., 2015
4. Lars Dencik & Karl Marosi, *Different Antisemitisms: On Three Distinct Forms of Antisemitism in Contemporary Europe*, Kantor Center Position Papers, University of Tel-Aviv, 2016
5. JDC International Center for Community Development, *Fourth Survey of European Jewish Community Leaders and Professionals*, 2019, pp. 21-23; 48-50.

### 1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M. Dr. Charles Asher Small

Executive Director, ISGAP;  
Research Scholar, St. Antony’s College, Oxford

***“Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity”***

This presentation will explore the impact of contemporary processes of globalization on marginalization and hybridity, and how this relates to the emergence of reactionary social movements that use antisemitism at core of its ideology.

**Readings (Small)**

Charles Asher Small, “Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity” (2013). <https://isgap.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Global-Antisemitism-A-Crisis-of-Modernity-An-Introduction-English.pdf>

Charles Asher Small, “Follow The Money: Examining Undocumented Foreign Funding of American Universities, Implications for Education and Rising Antisemitism” (2019).  
<https://isgap.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/FTM-Final-with-Cover-1.pdf>

“National Students for Justice in Palestine: Antisemitism, Violent Extremism and the Threat to North American Universities” (2019).  
<https://isgap.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/NSJP-2019-ISGAP-Report-Short-1.pdf>

**3:30 P.M.-4:30 P.M. Discussion Groups**

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**Tuesday, 11 August**

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M.**

**Professor Uzi Rabi**

Director, Dayan Center, Tel Aviv University

***“Pandemics and Antisemitism: Corona Days in the Middle East”***

The lecture will discuss the junction in history where pandemics and antisemitisms encounter each other. History has taught us that pandemics have always revived the hostility to "the other", and antisemitism has risen accordingly, for example, during the Spanish Flu. We will examine the extent to which COVID-19 has influenced levels of antisemitism in the various Middle Eastern States, and will give special focus to the atmosphere in Iran and the Palestinian Authority and their reactions to Israel during these times. The lecture will draw a panoramic view of the Middle East in 2020 – considering that beyond the virus, we are dealing with the "routine" sorrows of the region.

**Readings (Rabi)**

1. Brandon Friedman, [\*The Coronavirus in the Middle East: State and Society in a time of Crisis\*](#), “Introduction: The Coronavirus Crisis in the Middle East”. (2020), p. 5-6.

2. Uzi Rabi, [\*The Coronavirus in the Middle East: State and Society in a time of Crisis\*](#), “The GCC States and the Coronavirus: Between ‘Coronaphobia’ and Economic Shock”. (2020), p. 11-12.

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M.**

**Professor Yossi Shain**

Director, Tel Aviv University School of  
Political Science, Government and International Affairs

***“The Israeli Century, the Corona Epidemic and Antisemitism”***

This lecture deals with antisemitism in times of international crisis, with a particular case study focus on COVID-19's present-day impact. We will examine why Jews have always been entangled in such crises, how the gentiles reacted and what history can tell us about the Jewish response.

**Readings (Shain)**

Yossi Shain, *The Israeli Century and the Israelization of Judaism*, (Forthcoming 2020).

**11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Professor Mohammed S. Dajani**

Palestinian Scholar  
Founder, Wasatia Movement

***“Combating Antisemitism in the Arab/Muslim World”***

This lecture will provide an overview of combatting Anti-Semitism in the Muslim and Arab world by promoting Holocaust education at the Palestinian, Arab, and Muslim levels. It addresses the questions: What are the barriers to Holocaust Education in Palestine and the Arab and Muslim world? Why Holocaust denial is widespread in the Muslim world? Does the visiting experience of suffering affect empathy for an adversary? It discusses the effects of Palestinian students' visits to concentration camps in Poland and Germany on their empathy for Holocaust Education in Palestine. It will shed light on Holocaust denial and efforts to cast doubts on the existence of gas chambers and diminishing the crimes committed in Nazi death concentration camps. It concludes by outlining a strategy for Holocaust Education Teaching recommending that Arab and Muslim governments revise their school curriculum to ensure that this tragic episode of history is taught as part of their educational curriculum.

**Readings (Dajani)**

1. Achcar, Gilbert (2010). *The Arabs and the Holocaust: The Arab-Israeli War of Narratives*. New York: Metropolitan Books.
2. Barakat, Zeina. "A Palestinian Student Defends Her Visit to Auschwitz." *The Atlantic* (April 28, 2014). <http://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2014/04/a-palestinian-student-defends-her-visit-to-auschwitz/361311/> (accessed 02.10.2015).
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**11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**      **Dr. Ramy Aziz**  
Research Scholar, ISGAP

***“The Islamists and the Contemporary forms of Antisemitism (Anti-Zionism and anti-Israel)”***

This lecture will examine the contemporary forms of antisemitism, "anti-Zionism and anti-Israel", and how Islamists use these new forms of antisemitism as a cover to commit the crime of antisemitism, with impunity. The historical roots of antisemitism in Islamist literature such as Hassan al-Bana, Sayyid Qutb, and Yusuf al-Qardawi, will be reviewed. The relationship between Islamists and the other antisemitic groups in the West will be explored, including how they use similar tactics to recruit through contemporary forms of antisemitism that continue to incite against the Jewish people.

**Readings (Aziz)**

1. David Patterson, *Antisemitism and its Metaphysical Origins*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015), 194-221.
2. David Patterson, *Genealogy of Evil: Antisemitism from Nazism to Islamic Jihad*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011).
3. David Matas, *Aftershock: Anti-Zionism and Antisemitism*, (Toronto: The Founder Group, 2005).
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5. Bassam Tibi, Frim Sayyid Qutb to Hamas: The Middle East Conflict and Islamization of Antisemitism, Ed. Charles Small, (CT, USA, 2010). Available on <https://isgap.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/bassam-tibi-online-working-paper-20101.pdf>

**1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.**      **Professor Benny Morris**  
Department of History and Middle Eastern Studies  
Ben-Gurion University

***“A Fresh Look at the 1948 War, the First Arab-Israeli War”***

The presentation will cover the war’s military/political development, the nature of war (political versus religious/cultural), the war aims of the participants, the refugee problems created by the war, and the balance of forces in the war’s two parts.

**Readings (Morris)**

1. Benny Morris, *1948: A History of the First Arab-Israeli War* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008), Chapter 11 (“Some Conclusions”)
2. Benny Morris, *Righteous Victims, A History of the Arab-Zionist Conflict, 1881-1999*. New York: Vintage Books, 2001.

**1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.**

**Professor David Menashri**

Founding Director, Alliance Center for Iranian Studies;  
Senior Research Fellow, Professor Emeritus, Tel Aviv University

***“Iran, the Jews and Antisemitism”***

Forty years after the Islamic Revolution, while attracting the attention of scholars, politicians and the media, Iran is still an enigma. For better understanding Iran and its politics, the talk will begin with discussion of the domestic challenges and regional ambitions. It will try to explain the reasons behind its obsession with Israel, the Jews and the Holocaust.

**3:30 P.M.-4:30 P.M.**

**Discussion Groups**

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**Wednesday, 12 August**

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M.**

**Professor David Hirsh**

Senior Lecturer in Sociology,  
Goldsmiths, University of London

***“Is there a Relationship between Antisemitism and Contemporary Populism?”***

Populism is a way of thinking which constructs a liberal, metropolitan, globalist elite and finds it responsible for everything bad that happens in the world. This elite is often conceived of as educated and wedded to various kinds of 'unproductive' production; it has been described as 'people of nowhere'. It is said to care only about money and not at all about more 'traditional' social bonds like community, nation, family and class. Describing the phenomenon in this way makes its potential relationship to conspiracy fantasy, twentieth century totalitarianism, and then to antisemitism obvious.

## Readings (Hirsh)

1. David Hirsh, *Contemporary Left Antisemitism*, London: Routledge (2018).
2. David Hirsh, *The Livingstone Formulation*, in Eunice G. Pollack, ed., *Anti-Zionism and Antisemitism: Past & Present* (Boston: Academic Studies Press, 2019). <https://engageonline.wordpress.com/2016/04/29/the-livingstone-formulation-david-hirsh-2/>
3. David Hirsh, *Stop Accusing the Jewish Community of Conspiring against the left*, Open Democracy (2018), <https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/opendemocracyuk/stop-accusing-jewish-community-of-conspiring-against-left/>
4. David Hirsh, *Dangerous Lure of Modern Populist Parties*, The Jewish Chronicle (2019), <https://www.thejc.com/comment/analysis/dangerous-lure-of-the-modern-populist-parties-1.493179>

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M.**

**Haras Rafiq**

Former CEO, Quilliam International  
Member, UK Government Task Force on Counter Extremism  
Trustee, Muslims Against Antisemitism  
Member, Advisory Group on Online Terrorist Propaganda,  
Europol European Counter-terrorism Centre  
Peer Mentor, IDeA

### ***“Antisemitism – The Fuel of the Triple Threat”***

**11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Professor Sylvia Barack Fishman**

Emerita Professor of Contemporary Jewish Life  
Near Eastern and Judaic Studies Department  
Brandeis University

### ***“Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism in Contemporary Social Movements”***

A discussion of the ways in which antisemitic and anti-Zionist assertions promulgated by some contemporary social movements and organizations illustrate the triumph of alternative narratives over historical fact. Some claim that the Jewish Temple never existed in Jerusalem—and the Jews have no historical connection to Jerusalem. The Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement asserts that the original sin was the creation of the State of Israel in 1948. Some worthwhile movements with critically important social messages are sidetracked by “fake news” concerning Israel. One example: Black Lives Matter, created in 2014 as a response to the shootings of unarmed black men by police officers, is in many ways exactly the kind of organization that most American Jews passionately support, but the rhetoric produced by the movement—accusing Israel of “genocide”—is manifestly false and painful for Jewish allies.

### **Readings (Fishman)**

1. Jason D. Hill, “My Black Lives Matter Problem,” *Commentary Magazine*, June 2018.
2. Mari Cohen, “Jewish Groups Embrace BLM, With Conditions,” *Jewish Currents*, June 23, 2020.
3. Emma Green, “Why Do Black Activists Care About Palestine?” *The Atlantic Monthly*, August 18, 2016.

### **11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Dr. Joel Finkelstein**

Director, Network Contagion Research Institute  
Visiting Scholar, Madison Program for Ideas and Institutions,  
Princeton University

### ***“Digital Antisemitism, Platform Sponsored Terror and the Race War”***

### **1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.**

### **Kenneth L. Marcus**

Chairman of the Board,  
Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law  
Former Assistant Secretary of Civil Rights (2003-2004, 2018-2020)  
U.S. Department of Education

### ***Defining and Combating Anti-Semitism***

In order to understand and address anti-Semitism, we must first define it. Yet defining anti-Semitism has been surprisingly difficult and controversial for scholars, commentators, and policymakers alike. This session will discuss the myriad challenges facing efforts to properly define and understand anti-Semitism, including conceptual issues, historical developments, and political disputes. We will look, in particular, at the uses and abuses and misunderstandings of the international Working Definition, as well as the prospects for future progress.

### **Readings (Marcus)**

Kenneth Marcus, *“The Definition of Anti-Semitism,”* Oxford University Press (2015).

### **1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.**

### **Jacob Dallal**

Director of Academic Affairs  
Ministry of Strategic Affairs and Public Diplomacy  
Israel

### ***“The Jewish State Combatting New Antisemitism”***

Israel is the only country in the world to have its legitimacy and the premise of its existence called into question. This denial of the right of Jews to self-determination in their ancestral homeland is antisemitism in its newest form. This presentation will discuss what the Government of Israel is doing to counteract this attack on Israel's legitimacy.

## Readings (Dallal)

1. Bret Stephens, “When Anti-Zionism Tunnels Under Your House” (New York Times, 2018).  
<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/12/13/opinion/anti-zionism-anti-semitism-israel.html>
2. “Is BDS Antisemitic?” (New York Times,  
<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/07/27/world/middleeast/bds-israel-boycott-antisemitic.html>
3. “Behind the Mask” (State of Israel, Ministry of Strategic Affairs and Public Diplomacy, 2019).  
Pages 5-7, 16-22.  
<https://4il.org.il/he/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/PMO-BDS-Report-Brochure-Behind-the-Mask-ENGLISH-LIGHT.pdf>

**1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.      Special Envoy Elan Carr**  
U.S. Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism

### ***“Philo-Semitic Curricula and Narratives - A Proactive Response to Anti-Semitism”***

Governments and NGOs justly focus on defensive measures in combatting anti-Semitism. These are necessary but not sufficient. A key component of the fight against anti-Semitism is the development of curricula and materials that breed appreciation and affection for the Jewish people and the profound contributions of Judaism to civilization.

## ISGAP Suggested Readings

1. *Jewish Literacy*, Rabbi Joseph Telushkin
2. *Power, Faith, and Fantasy*, Michael Oren
3. *Why the Jews*, Dennis Prager and Rabbi Joseph Telushkin

**3:30 P.M.-4:30 P.M.      Discussion Groups**

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## Thursday, 13 August

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M.      Professor Ansel Brown**  
Assistant Clinical Professor of Political Science  
Director, University Honors Program  
North Carolina Central University

***“Common Bonds and Experiences of African and Jewish Communities”***

The familiar journey of Africa and Israel is one of close kinship, shared history, common adversities, and resemblant triumphs. Both Africa and Israel have historically experienced enslavement, colonization, exile, and systematic oppression – most prominently at the hands of European societies. This subjugation of African and Jewish communities has been notably precipitated by the dismantling of sovereignty within their homelands and rooted in a consistent psychology of oppression. In the face of these difficult trials and sojourns, both groups drew upon mutual inspiration as they resolutely marched toward re-established sovereignty. The collaboration between Africans and Jews and their common lessons of resilience and ingenuity in the face of dire obstacles holds the promise of catapulting both peoples, distinctively and collectively, to unprecedented heights of self-realization and contribution to human progress.

**Readings (Brown)**

1. Calev Myers, *Crucial Alliance: African Americans, Jews, and the Middle East Conundrum*, Judean Hills Press (2016).

**9:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M.**      **Professor Katya Gibel Mevorach**  
Anthropology and American Studies  
Grinnell College

***“Framing Racism and Antisemitism Against Willful Ignorance”***

I will highlight some of the politics of creating a syllabus that attends to antisemitism and antisemitism as racism. Where do histories, memories and erasure of the past inform the organization of the syllabus and selection of material? How has the racialization of labels been weaponized to blur Jewish diversity in representations of Jews as a collective? How to discuss anti-Israel attitudes and Jews of the diaspora? How to confront generational differences in thinking about Jews as a religious group and Jews as a political- cultural collective? How to take audience into account, consider their experiences and acquired knowledge as well as conceptual clarifications.

**Readings (Mevorach)**

1. James Baldwin, “Negroes Are Anti-Semitic Because They're Anti-White” NYT, (9 April 1967)  
<http://movies2.nytimes.com/books/98/03/29/specials/baldwin-antisem.html>

2. On the language of white/black dichotomy imposed on Jewishness: <https://isgap.org/flashpoint/the-illusion-and-elusiveness-of-whiteness-between-politics-and-polemics/>  
(2019)

3. Marshall Grossman. "The Violence of the Hyphen in Judeo-Christian" Social Text, 22 (1989)  
<http://www.jstor.org/stable/466523>

**Read & Listen**

4. U.S. Supreme Court; Shaare Tefila Congregation v. Cobb, 481 U.S. 615 (1987) [click on the sidebar for Oral Argument: then listen while reading the transcript of oral argument <https://www.oyez.org/cases/1986/85-2156>

**Watch on Amazon**

5. “Jews & Muslims: Intimate Strangers” (see all 4 Episodes), Spanning the mythical times of Abraham through contemporary tensions, filmmaker Karim Miské explores the misunderstandings and omissions that have contributed to polarized identities and endless conflict.

**11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Professor Sunni Ali**

Assistant Professor of Educational Inquiry and Curriculum Studies  
Northeastern Illinois University

**“When Hip-Hop Exercises Antisemitism”**

Jewish archetypes and tropes resonate with some hip-hop artists that allege Jews are the masters of manipulating capitalism, the music-and-movie industry, and the legal system. Many of these artists rely on false-and-deadly information from the *Protocols of the Elders of Zion* that alleges the Jewish population takes advantage of workers and minorities to amass untold wealth. Disgusting antisemitic tropes that argue the Jews in Israel are not the original Jews and are the oppressors of the Palestinian people. Minister Farrakhan has a lot to do with the spreading of this deadly teaching along with some PanAfricanist scholars or Afrocentrist that serve as a sort of "sensei" among many hip-hop artists. Minister Farrakhan's status among hip-hop artists escalated when in the Mid-1990s, he helped to diffuse the East versus West Coast hip-hop wars while causing a gang truce between the Bloods and the Crips in Los Angeles. Also, Minister Farrakhan's black nationalist rhetoric speaks to a considerable number of African Americans and hip-hoppers who remain marginalized and racially disfigured from America's historical oppression. Abolishing antisemitism while re-educating many hip-hop artists remains imperative. Especially since many of them fight for social justice to end exploitative oppression against their people, they need to understand that the Jewish faith is very diverse and is not a part of the white race responsible for African-Americans' second-class status.

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2. Boffard, R. (May 19, 2011). Hip-Hop – the music where it's OK to be anti-Jewish. *Jewish Chronicle*. Retrieved from <https://www.thejc.com/culture/music/hip-hip-the-music-where-it-s-ok-to-be-anti-jewish-1.23134>

3. Hochman, S. (December 30, 1989). Public Enemy lyrics rekindle controversy. *LA Times*. [http://articles.latimes.com/1989-12-30/entertainment/ca-874\\_1\\_public-enemy-lyrics](http://articles.latimes.com/1989-12-30/entertainment/ca-874_1_public-enemy-lyrics)

4. Kitwana, B. (2008). *The hip-hop generation: Young blacks and the crisis in African American culture*. New York: Civitas Books.

5. Kestenbaum, S. (August 30, 2016). The Jewish rapper with Wu-Tang ties—and his nasty Twitter beef over Israel. *The Schmooze*.

<https://forward.com/schmooze/348752/the-jewish-rapper-with-wu-tang-ties-and-his-nasty-twitter-beef-over-israel/>



**11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**      **Fentahun Assefa-Dawit**  
Executive Director, Tebeka

***“Israel through the Eyes of an Ethiopian Jew”***

This presentation will examine the ancient struggle of the Jewish people of Ethiopia to return to our ancient homeland, Israel. The Jewish and Israeli identity will be explored, and its understanding of the Jewish nation, as well as some of the contemporary challenges that we face within Israel. Attempts to use Ethiopian Israeli Jewry as a weapon to delegitimize Israel and the Jewish people will be discussed.

**1:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.**      **Curriculum Presentations**

**3:30 P.M.-4:30 P.M.**      **Curriculum Presentations and Closing Remarks**  
**Dr. Charles Asher Small**  
Executive Director, ISGAP  
Research Scholar, St. Antony’s College, Oxford

***Ambassadors for the Interdisciplinary Study of Antisemitism:  
Ways Forward***

## **Professor Biographies**



### **Dr. Muhammad bin Abdul Karim Al-Issa**

Dr. Al-Issa is the Secretary-General of the Muslim World League. He is a leading global voice on moderate Islam, committed to bringing global awareness to the religion's true message of empathy, understanding, and cooperation among all people. Dr. Al-Issa's groundbreaking interfaith efforts include his trip to Auschwitz in January 2020 for the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the death camp. The Auschwitz Museum declared his the most senior Islamic delegation ever to visit. Dr. Al-Issa is the recipient of numerous domestic and international awards including the Galileo International Award of 2018, the Moderation Prize of 2018 from the Governor of Makkah Region,

and an honorary doctorate from the Institute of Orientalism in the Federal Republic of Russia. In Senegal, President Macky Sall conferred on Dr. Al-Issa the Grand Order of the State in recognition of his global efforts to promote religious moderation. Dr. Al-Issa further received the "Children of Abraham" award alongside the Foundation for Ethnic Understanding's Rabbi Marc Schneier, and the Peace Prize from the Arab-American Relations Council in Washington, D.C. in 2019.

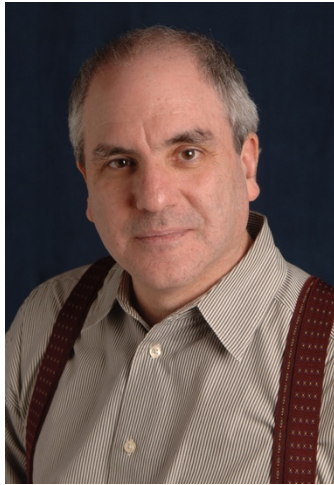


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Sunni Ali is a seventh-year Assistant Professor at Northeastern Illinois University's Education Inquiry Curriculum Studies Department, where he has also served as an adjunct faculty member for seven years. Previously, he was a high school social science and special education teacher for twenty years. He earned his doctorate in Educational Administration from Roosevelt University, and holds an Illinois Type-75 Principal's Certificate, an Illinois-Type 9 Social Science Certificate, as well as an Illinois LBS1- Special Education Certificate

Endorsement. Since his tenure at Northeastern Illinois University, he has produced six published articles and two texts. He continues to mentor and work with high school special education students. His passion, dedication, and commitment to youth and adult learners remain constant in education.



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Dr. Lawrence Amsel is an academic psychiatrist on the faculty of Columbia University. His areas of focus is in understanding the long term effects of psychological trauma, the applications of Behavioral Economics and Game Theory to psychiatry, and interface of Psychiatry and the Law. He recently co-edited a book entitled: An International Perspective on Disasters and Children's Mental Health, to be published in Summer 2019 by Springer. He is also working on a book On Mathematical Models in Psychiatry for Oxford University Press.

He is a child of Holocaust survivors, which has been a key influence in every corner of his life, from becoming a healer focused on trauma, to his political and philosophical commitments. As a child and young man, he received a classic, old-world Yeshiva education (largely in Yiddish) with its emphasis on Talmud and ethical behavior. Later he was active in the Soviet Jewry movement and student support for Israel. These experiences of political activism have remained important throughout his life.

The pleasures of rigorous thinking that he first encountered in studying Talmud later led to a major in Mathematics at Columbia College. But once in mathematics grad school he concluded that he needed to be more involved in addressing the emotional aspects of people's lives. He switched directions and attended Yale University School of Medicine followed by a Psychiatry Residency. Subsequently, he completed a Master's in Public Health, and joined the faculty of the Columbia University medical school. For a number of years following 9/11, he co-directed the Columbia clinic specifically funded to focus on victims of that terrorist attack. In this capacity he encountered a large number of police officers, firefighters, and other First Responders, as well as financial professionals.



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Dr. Aziz is an Egyptian researcher and political analyst of Middle Eastern Affairs, Political Islam, and Arab-Israeli relations.

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chapter on "Intersectionality" to the widely discussed "Word Crimes" special edition of the journal *Israel Studies* (Volume 24, Issue 2, 2019).



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Ansel Brown is a Visiting Assistant Professor at North Carolina Central University (NCCU) School of Law. He became a faculty member in the law school in the fall of 2019. Brown presently teaches Legal Letters (International Law), Legal Research and Analysis, Legal Research and Persuasion, and Critical Thinking. His research focus is international law and Pan-Africanism. Previously, Brown served as the NCCU Pre-law Advisor and Director of the University Honors Program. Prior to entering academia, Ansel Brown served as policy counsel at both the North Carolina Institute of Minority

Economic Development and the Center for Responsible Lending, the latter being a locus for advocating for consumer protection laws aimed at reducing predatory subprime lending and rising student debt. Brown earned his Bachelor's degree from NCCU and his Juris Doctor degree from Harvard Law School. While a law student, he received the Dean of Students Community Leadership Award and served on both the International Law Journal and the Black Letter Law Journal. Brown is a member of the N.C. State Bar.



### **Special Envoy Elan S. Carr**

Elan Carr is the U.S. Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism. In this role, he advises the Secretary of State and is responsible for directing U.S. policies and projects aimed at countering antisemitism throughout the world.

Prior to his appointment, Special Envoy Carr served as a Deputy District Attorney for Los Angeles County, where he prosecuted violent crimes for more than a decade, including murders, rapes, hate crimes, and crimes involving some of the most notorious criminal street gangs in Southern California.

Special Envoy Carr is an officer in the United States Army Reserve, and he has received multiple awards and commendations for his nearly two decades of military service. In 2003-04, he deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he led an anti-terrorism team in life-saving missions throughout the

country and prosecuted terrorists who attacked U.S. troops. He also assisted efforts to establish an independent Iraqi judiciary and trained Iraqi judges and lawyers on constitutional law and criminal defense.

The son of Iraqi Jewish refugees who fled persecution in Iraq, Special Envoy Carr speaks Hebrew and the Iraqi dialect of Arabic. While in Iraq, he met with remnants of the Jewish community there and led Jewish services in the former presidential palace of Saddam Hussein in Baghdad.



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Mohammed S. Dajani Daoudi is the founder of the Wasatia moderate Islamic movement in Palestine and the founding director of the Wasatia Academic Institute. He also served as the founding director of the American Studies Graduate Institute at al-Quds University in Jerusalem. Dajani Daoudi is the author of many books and articles on politics, economics, and religion. He led the first Palestinian students' trip to the concentration camps in Auschwitz and Birkenau. The trip led to much controversy, causing him ultimately to lose his job at the university. Dajani and Zeina Barakat, with Martin Rau, are co-authors of a book published in Arabic in 2012 titled *The Holocaust: Human Agony*.





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Jacob Dallal is Director of Academic Affairs at the Ministry of Strategic Affairs in Israel. Born in Chicago, Jacob received his undergraduate degree in Political Philosophy from the University of Chicago and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He was director of public relations in North America for the Jewish Agency for Israel; at Taglit-Birthright Israel in New York; and at the Mandel Foundation in Jerusalem. Jacob is a major (reserve) in the IDF, having served for five years as an IDF spokesperson to the international press; he was acting head of the international press unit during the Lebanon War in 2006.



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behalf of women's rights and against antisemitism in the US and within Europe for over three decades. She has lectured and published widely on the response of states and the European Union to issues of citizenship, migration, violence against women, sex discrimination, and antisemitism. She has published four books. Her most recent book, *The European Union, Antisemitism and the Politics of Denial* (University of Nebraska Press, 2014), explores the conditions that precipitated the EU's efforts to stem antisemitism and considers the consequences.



### **Fentahun Assefa-Dawit**

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Fentahun Assefa-Dawit has been the Executive Director of Tebeka since October 2013. He grew up in the Gondar region of Ethiopia where he learned Hebrew and Jewish heritage from a young age. He always dreamed of "making Aliyah", but after high school all paths to Israel were closed. With the help of a scholarship from the Jewish Immigration Aid Services, he was able to escape to Montreal, Canada and hence avoid being forced into prolonged military service in the Ethiopian military. He

spent over seven years in Montreal and then in 1994 was finally able to immigrate to Israel, where he was reunited with his family.

Fentahun earned a degree in Electrical Engineering from Technion and after a brief career in the technology industry, he was called upon to manage Jewish Agency absorption centers in two locales in Israel's north. While running both centers, he was responsible for the oversight of more than a thousand new immigrants from Ethiopia. In 2007, he became the Israeli representative of Keren HaYesod (United Israel Appeal) in Sydney and thus moved to Australia with his family. In his current role as executive director of Tebeka, Fentahun focuses on vigilant legal action to battle discrimination, consistent dialog with government authorities to achieve equality before the law, and leadership development for a new generation.



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Joel Finkelstein is the director of the Network Contagion Research Institute, which deploys machine learning tools to expose the growing tide of hate and extremism on social media. He is also a Visiting Scholar at the Madison Program for Ideas and Institutions at Princeton University and a former research fellow at the Anti-Defamation League Center on Extremism. A graduate of Princeton University, where his award winning, doctoral work focused on the psychology and neuroscience of addiction and social behavior. Joel speaks to media, policy makers, advocacy groups and investigators to help turn tools for social science into tools for social justice. His work on hate and

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Professor Fishman is the author of eight books and numerous articles. Her work explores Jewish identity, Israel-Diaspora relations, antisemitism and anti-Zionism, the interplay of American and Jewish values, transformations in the American Jewish family, the impact of Jewish education, gender and sexuality in American Jewish life, and portrayals of Jews and Jewishness in fiction and film. She is an Emerita Professor of Contemporary Jewish Life in the Near Eastern and Judaic Studies Department at Brandeis University. Prof. Fishman was the founding Co-Director of the Hadassah Brandeis Institute (HBI) and she currently edits the HBI Series on Gender and

Jewish Women. Among other honors, Professor Fishman received The Marshall Sklare Award from the Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry (2014).



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Christoph Gassenschmidt was born in 1959 in Baden-Baden (West-) Germany. He is a historian with a focus on Modern and East-European History. He holds a PhD in Modern European History from Oxford University, UK. He is a graduate of the 2015 ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute. Christoph Gassenschmidt joined the History Department of DERE - the American College of Greece in 1996. He teaches various undergraduate courses in American, German and Russian History as well as thematic courses on Slaves and Slavery in the US, Piracy, the Italo-American Mafia, The Wild West, Modern European Antisemitism and the Holocaust.



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David Hirsh has been in the Sociology Department at Goldsmiths College since 2003. He studied Sociology as an undergraduate at City University, London. He did an MA in Philosophy and Social Theory at Warwick University and wrote his Ph.D. there on crimes against humanity and international law. He was the holder of the Sociological Review Fellowship in 2001-2002, which enabled him to write *Law Against Genocide: Cosmopolitan Trials*, published in 2003. This book was awarded the British Sociological Association Philip Abrams Prize for the best first book in sociology in 2004. By focusing on

two trials from the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (the trial of Andrei Sawoniuk for crimes committed during the Holocaust, and the David Irving libel case) the book comes to tentative conclusions about the possibility of the emergence of cosmopolitan law.

Professor Hirsh received a Rothschild/Hanadiv Foundation research grant of £25000 for a project “to investigate the character and dynamics of anti-Zionism as a contemporary political movement and its relationship to antisemitism” (January 2007 to August 2007). The central research output made possible by this funding was a major Working Paper published by the Yale Initiative for the Interdisciplinary Study of Antisemitism, titled “Anti-Zionism and Antisemitism: Cosmopolitan Reflections.” In 2006-2007, Professor Hirsh was a Research Fellow at Yale University. His most recent book is Contemporary Left Antisemitism, published in 2017.



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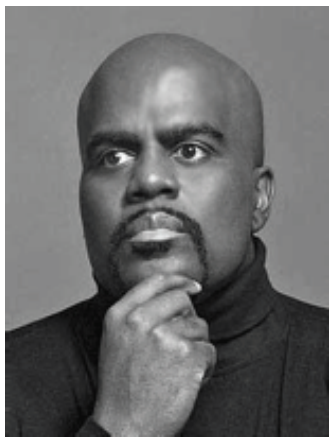
Barry A. Kosmin is a Research Professor Emeritus of Public Policy and Law at Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut and Founding Director of its Institute for the Study of Secularism in Society and Culture (ISSSC). He is a Senior Associate of the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Oxford University, England. In 2019 he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Humanist Association, and during his career he has held executive positions with the Institute for Jewish Policy Research in London, the Board of Deputies of British Jews and the Council of Jewish Federations in New York.



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Joël Kotek is a Professor at the Free University of Brussels (ULB) and the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris. Dr. Kotek is a member of several scientific committees including: Revue d'Histoire de la Shoah de Paris, the Jewish Museum of Warsaw, Mechelen Holocaust Museum, Foundation Aladdin (Paris), Evens Foundation (Antwerpen) and Yahad in Unum (Paris). He was the head of the Formation Department at the Mémorial de la Shoah/Centre de Documentation juive contemporaine in Paris (2003-2006) and has been, since 2003, the Belgian correspondent of the Moshe Cantor Center on Antisemitism and Racism. He is also an ISGAP research fellow. Dr. Kotek has authored a number of important publications, including: *La Shoah dans la Bande dessinée* (2017), *1939, le quatrième partage de la Pologne (sld)* (2015), *Israël et les médias belges francophones au miroir du conflit gazaoui de l'été 2014* (2015), translated into English, ISGAP, NY (2015), *Mickey à Gurs, les cahiers de Horst Rosenthal* (2014), and *Dictionnaire de la Shoah* (2009).



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Dr. Carlton Long is the CEO of Lawrence-Long and Co., Educational Consulting, LLC. A former Rhodes Scholar, Dr. Long has been, internationally, a leading professional staff developer for over two decades. With a strong focus on excellence, access and equity, he has guided American colleges and universities in their development of honors college curricula. Since the 2015 founding of the ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute, Dr. Long has guided and supported ISGAP Scholars-in-Residence in their development of university syllabi for undergraduate and graduate courses dealing with contemporary global antisemitism.

In his D.Min. doctoral research at the Morehouse School of Religion, Interdenominational Theological Center, in Atlanta, Dr. Long dealt with elite boarding schools, “disconnected youth,” misogyny, voice literature and African-American Vernacular English. His doctoral work at the University of Oxford focused on Thatcher and Reagan-era governmental policymaking in education. He studied PPE and the M.Litt., Politics courses at Oxford University prior to entering the D.Phil., Politics program. His ethnographic research whilst a student at St. Catherine's College, University of Oxford, focused on the communities of Brixton, South London and Harlem, New York. A native of Gary, Indiana, he received his undergraduate degree in Political Science from Columbia University, and subsequently taught at London University (Goldsmiths College) and Columbia University. On the faculty at Columbia University, Dr. Long was a Chamberlain Fellow and was nominated for the Van Doren Outstanding Professor Award in 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1994.

Dr. Long has served as a Rhodes House/Oxford University delegate to the Fulbright Commission and has served on the Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee for the State of New York. A former Phi Beta Kappa Committee Chair at Columbia University, his life's work is devoted to inspiring liberation as well as moral and ethical uplift and service through education.



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Kenneth L. Marcus is Founder and Chairman of the Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law, immediate past Assistant U.S. Secretary of Education for Civil Rights, and author of *The Definition of Anti-Semitism* (Oxford University Press) and *Jewish Identity and Civil Rights in America* (Cambridge University Press).

On the occasion of his recent transition from public service, the Jewish News Syndicate commented that, “In two short years, Marcus did as much, if not more, to fight anti-Semitism on college campuses as anyone in government has ever done.” Marcus founded the Brandeis Center in 2011 to combat the resurgence of anti-Semitism in American higher education. At that

time, the Jewish Daily Forward described him as one of “the new faces of Jewish power,” predicting that “if Marcus has any say in it, we may witness a new era of Jewish advocacy.” During his public service career, Marcus has also served as Staff Director at the United States Commission on Civil Rights and was delegated the authority of Assistant U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. Shortly before his departure from the Civil Rights Commission, the Wall Street Journal observed that “the Commission has rarely been better managed,” and that it “deserves a medal for good governance.” Marcus previously held the Lillie and Nathan Ackerman Chair in Equality and Justice in America at the City University of New York’s Bernard M. Baruch College School of Public Affairs. Before entering public service, Mr. Marcus was a litigation partner in two major law firms, where he conducted complex commercial and constitutional litigation. He has published widely in academic journals as well as in more popular venues such as Newsweek, USA Today, Politico, The Hill, The Jerusalem Post, Commentary, The Weekly Standard, and The Christian Science Monitor. Mr. Marcus is a graduate of Williams College, magna cum laude, and the University of California at Berkeley School of Law.





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Professor (emeritus) David Menashri joined the Dayan Center (then the Shiloah Institute) in 1969. He is the Founding Director of the Alliance Center for Iranian Studies and a Senior Research Fellow at the Moshe Dayan Center at Tel Aviv University (TAU). He was chair of the Department of Middle Eastern and African History, Dean for Special Programs and the first Incumbent of the Nazarian Chair for Iranian Studies, all at TAU. Following his 2011 retirement from TAU, he served as President of the College of Law and Business in Ramat Gan, Israel. In 2016 and 2017 he was Visiting Israel Institute Professor at UCLA Nazarian Center for Israel Studies. He has been a visiting Fulbright scholar at Princeton and Cornell Universities. Among others, he was a visiting professor at the University of Chicago, Yale, Oxford, Melbourne and Monash

Universities (Australia), the universities of Munich and Mainz (Germany) and Waseda (Japan). In the late 1970s, Menashri spent two years conducting research and field studies in Iranian universities on the eve of the Islamic Revolution, with a grant from the Ford Foundation. Outside academia, Prof. Menashri is active in numerous NGOs, in Israel and abroad. He is a member of the International Council of the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs (1995 Nobel Peace Prize) and chairman of the Israeli Pugwash Forum; Board Member of Scholars for Peace in the Middle East; Chairman of the Maccabim Foundation for Scholarships in Israel. He was also Chairman of the International Sephardic Education Fund (ISEF) in Israel (1996-2006) and President of the Citizens' Empowerment Center in Israel (1996-2000).



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Katya Gibel Mevorach, Professor in Anthropology and American Studies at Grinnell College, holds a Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology from Duke University. She received her B.A. and M.A. in African Studies from Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Israel. Prof. Mevorach is author, under the name Katya Gibel Azoulay, of *Black, Jewish and Interracial: It's Not the Color of Your Skin but the Race of Your Kin, and Other Myths of Identity* (Duke University Press, 1997). Her articles, review essays and position papers have appeared in journals which include American Anthropologist, American Ethnologist, Biography,

Developing World Bioethics, Identities, Cultural Studies, Research in African Literatures, נוגה (Noga: Israeli Feminist Journal), נותע רחא (Iton Aher) and The Jerusalem Post (Israel).

Professor Mevorach has dual American - Israeli citizenship: the daughter of a Jewish refugee from Nazi Austria and an immigrant from Jamaica, she made Aliya to Israel in 1970 after graduating from The Brearley School (NY) where she lived for 21 years before returning to US to pursue doctoral studies. She was invited to join Grinnell College in January 1996 and served as Chair of the Africana Studies Concentration from 1996-2000 and in 2003 helped initiate the transition of Africana Studies into an expanded American Studies Concentration, which she chaired between 2004 and 2005 and 2015-19.



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Benny Morris is a Professor Emeritus at Ben Gurion University and Georgetown University. He was born in Israel and grew up in Jerusalem and New York. He studied at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Cambridge University. He was a journalist at *The Jerusalem Post* for over a decade, and taught Middle Eastern History at Ben-Gurion University from 1997-2019. He has written a number of books on the Israeli-Arab conflict (most of which were published by either Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press or Yale University Press).



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David Patterson holds the Hillel A. Feinberg Distinguished Chair in Holocaust Studies at the Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, the University of Texas at Dallas. He is a commissioner on the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission, a member of the Executive Board of Academic Advisors for the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (ISGAP), and a member of the Executive Board of the Annual Scholars' Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches. A winner of the National Jewish Book Award, the Koret Jewish Book Award, and the Holocaust Scholars' Conference Eternal Flame Award, he has published more than 35 books and more than 220 articles, essays, and book chapters

on topics in literature, philosophy, the Holocaust, and Jewish studies. His most recent books are *Shoah and Torah* (SUNY, forthcoming), *Elie Wiesel's Hasidic Legacy* SUNY, (forthcoming), *The Holocaust and the Non-Representable* (SUNY, 2018), and *Anti-Semitism and Its Metaphysical Origins* (Cambridge, 2015).



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The grandson of Holocaust survivors from Lithuania and Poland, who immigrated to Israel from the USSR approximately a decade after the founding of the Jewish state, Dr. Pilnik is the new director of the Emil and Jenny A. Fish Holocaust and Genocide Studies Center at Yeshiva University. Prior to acquiring that position, he was the executive director of the Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center (HERC) in Milwaukee from 2014 until early 2020. Under his leadership, the organization doubled both its outreach and capacity, serving schools and communities across the state of Wisconsin with programming, lectures, teacher workshops, study abroad trips and more.

Pilnik earned his Bachelor's degree from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, majoring in Comparative Literature and Jewish Thought; an MA in Jewish Studies from McGill University and, in 2013, a Ph.D. from the Jewish Theological Seminary in the field of Modern Jewish Studies. His Ph.D. dissertation dealt with the commemoration of the Babi Yar Massacre in Soviet Russian and Yiddish literature. From 2008-2014, Dr. Pilnik was an adjunct instructor at the Universities of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Oshkosh, lecturing on a variety of topics including the Holocaust, modern Jewish history and culture, Judaism, Hebrew Bible, and the religions of the world.



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Professor Uzi Rabi, Ph.D (Tel Aviv University, 2000) is the Director of the Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, a Professor of Middle Eastern History at the Department of Middle Eastern and African Studies, and a senior researcher at the Center for Iranian Studies, all at Tel Aviv University. Formerly, he was the Head of the Department of Middle Eastern and African History at Tel Aviv University. From 2004-2005, he held a visiting professorship at the Lipinski Institute of San Diego State University.

Professor Rabi is also the director of the TAU Workshop, an annual ten-day seminar for international scholars that focuses on the geopolitical situation of Israel and its neighbors. He is the co-editor of *Bustan: The Middle East Book Review*. His research focuses on the modern history and evolution of states and societies in the Middle East, Iranian-Arab relations, oil and politics in the Middle East, and Sunni-Shi'i dynamics; within this framework he has supervised the dissertations of numerous doctoral candidates in this field over the course of many years.





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Haras Rafiq is a Counter Extremism expert and practitioner. He was the CEO of Quilliam International based in London and USA for five years and was formerly a member of the UK government task force looking to counter extremism in response to the 2005 terrorist bombings in London. He is a Trustee of Muslims Against Antisemitism (MAAS), and is also a peer mentor for IDEa – advising regional government agencies. He was also a member of the Advisory Group on Online Terrorist Propaganda at Europol's European Counter-terrorism Centre (ECTC).

In addition, Mr. Rafiq has worked on a number of projects relating to the analysis of radicalization, as well as the deradicalization of extremists, and has presented on a number of academic and political platforms, nationally and internationally. As part of his work, he is committed to countering xenophobia and hatred, and has spoken at many conferences and events, including the Global Forum on Combating Antisemitism (December 2009). In 2010, he was also a Chair of a Working Group of the Global Experts' Forum on Antisemitism in Ottawa.



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He was also head of the Hartog School of Government from 2003 to 2007 and co-director (with Peter Berkowitz) of the Israel Program on Constitutional Government (2003-2008). Professor Shain has held numerous visiting appointments, including at Sciences Po in Paris; Yale University; Wesleyan University; the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy; and Middlebury College. He was also a Visiting Fellow at St. Antony's College, Oxford University, and Senior Visiting Fellow at the Center of International Studies at Princeton University. He has lectured around the world and was honored as the David and Goldie Blanksteen in Jewish Ethics at Yale Law School (2000), as the Olin Lecturer at the Harvard Lecturer Academy (2002), and as the Aaron and Cecile Goldman Chair at Georgetown University (1999-2002). His latest book, *The Israeli Century and the Israelization of Judaism* is a bestseller that has won national acclaim in his country. It will be published in English in 2020.



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Natan Sharansky became the Chair of ISGAP in the fall of 2019.

Mr. Sharansky was born in 1948 in Donetsk, Ukraine. He was a spokesman for the human rights movement, a prisoner of conscience and leader in the struggle for the right of Soviet Jews to immigrate to Israel. Mr. Sharansky was a founding member of the Helsinki Group, which monitored violations of international agreements of different religious and national groups in the Soviet Union. He worked closely with Andrei Sakharov, the renowned Soviet human rights activist, and kept close contact with foreign media beyond the iron curtain.

In 1977, a Soviet newspaper alleged that Mr. Sharansky was collaborating with the CIA. Despite denials from every level of the U.S. government, Mr. Sharansky was found guilty and sentenced to thirteen years in prison, including solitary confinement and hard labor. In the courtroom prior to the announcement of the verdict, Mr. Sharansky in a public statement said: "To the court I have nothing to say – to my wife and the Jewish people I say, 'Next Year in Jerusalem.'" After nine years of imprisonment, due to an intense international campaign led by his wife, Avital, Mr. Sharansky was released on February 11, 1986, immigrated to Israel, and moved to Jerusalem that same day.

In Israel, he became active in the integration of Soviet Jews and formed the Zionist Forum, an umbrella organization of former Soviet activist groups dedicated to helping new Israelis and educating the public about absorption issues. The final chapter of the historic struggle for the release of Soviet Jews was the historic rally of over 250,000 people in Washington in 1987, of which Natan Sharansky was the initiator and driving force, during Mikhail Gorbachev's first visit to the US capital.

In 1996, he established the Yisrael B'Aliyah party in order to accelerate the integration of new immigrants into Israeli society. He served in four successive Israeli governments as a Minister and Deputy Prime Minister. In 2009, Sharansky was appointed Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Israel. The mission of the Jewish Agency is to guarantee the future of the Jewish People by strengthening the connection of every Jew to the State of Israel and to the Jewish People. In 2018, he received the highest Israeli award - the Israel Prize, for promoting Aliyah and the ingathering of the exiles.

Mr. Sharansky is the recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor and the Presidential Medal of Freedom. He is the only living non-American citizen who is the recipient of these two highest American awards. He is also the author of three books: *Fear No Evil*, *The Case for Democracy*, and *Defending Identity*. He is the recipient of the 2020 Genesis Prize. He remains a champion of the right of all people to live in freedom and believes that the advancement of human rights is critical to peace and security around the world.



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Jonathan Wolff is the Alfred Landecker Professor of Values and Public Policy and Governing Body Fellow at Wolfson College, Oxford. He was formerly Blavatnik Chair in Public Policy at the School, and before that Professor of Philosophy and Dean of Arts and Humanities at UCL. He is currently developing a new research program on revitalizing democracy and civil society, in accordance with the aims of the Alfred Landecker Professorship. His other current work largely concerns equality, disadvantage, social justice, and poverty, as well as applied topics such as public safety, disability, gambling, and the regulation of recreational drugs, which he has discussed in his books *Ethics and*

*Public Policy: A Philosophical Inquiry* (Routledge 2011) and *The Human Right to Health* (Norton 2012). His most recent book is *An Introduction to Moral Philosophy* (Norton 2018).

Wolff's earlier works include *Disadvantage* (OUP 2007), with Avner de-Shalit; *An Introduction to Political Philosophy* (OUP, 1996, third edition 2016); *Why Read Marx Today?* (OUP 2002); and *Robert Nozick* (Polity 1991). He has had a long-standing interest in health and health promotion, including questions of justice in health care resource allocation, the social determinants of health, and incentives around health behavior. He has been a member of the Nuffield Council of Bioethics, the Academy of Medical Science working party on Drug Futures, the Gambling Review Body, the Homicide Review Group, an external member of the Board of Science of the British Medical Association, and a Trustee of GambleAware.



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Rabbi Akiva Zweig is the Rosh (Head) Yeshiva of the Talmudic College of Florida in Miami Beach, Florida. He also studied for several years at Ner Israel Rabbinical College in Baltimore, Maryland, and in several yeshivot in Israel. He has also served as the rabbi of several South Florida synagogues, both Ashkenazi and Sephardi.

Rabbi Zweig graduated from Talmudic University of Florida with a Master's degree in Talmudic Law in 1995, and then continued on in the faculty, teaching in the high school, as well as in the university in both the undergraduate and graduate programs. He lectures at the

highest levels on scripture, Talmudic law, Jewish history, Jewish philosophy, and Jewish ethics.

As Rosh Yeshiva at Talmudic College of Florida, Rabbi Zweig teaches a variety of weekly and daily classes, including Talmud, Jewish Perspective, Jewish Philosophy, Prayer, and Jewish Ethics. He oversees the staff, as well as the self-development of young Jewish college students. He helps prepare them for careers and leadership, in both the Jewish world and the secular world of work. Additionally, Rabbi Zweig teaches weekly classes to the broader South Florida Jewish community, for men and women of all ages. Rabbi Zweig is, moreover, a licensed facilitator of the Franklin Covey 7 Habits Signature Program. He lectures in seminars and conducts private coaching and counseling.



## **Dr. Charles Asher Small**

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Dr. Charles Asher Small is the Founding Director of the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (ISGAP). Dr. Small is currently a Research Scholar at St. Antony's College, Oxford University, United Kingdom. He is also the Goldman Fellow at the Harold Hartog School of Government and Policy, and Senior Research Fellow at the Moshe Dayan Center for Middle East and African Studies, Tel Aviv University.

He received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, at McGill University, Montreal; M.Sc. in Urban Development Planning in Economics, Development Planning Unit (DPU), University College London; and a Doctorate of Philosophy (D.Phil), from St. Antony's College, Oxford University. He completed post-

doctorate research at the Groupement de recherche ethnicité et société, Université de Montréal. He was the VATAT Research Fellow (Ministry of Higher Education) at Ben-Gurion University, Beersheva, and taught in departments of sociology and geography at Goldsmiths College, University of London; Tel Aviv University; and the Institute of Urban Studies, the Hebrew University, Jerusalem. Charles was the Founding Director of the Yale Initiative for the Interdisciplinary Study of Antisemitism (YIISA), the first interdisciplinary research center on antisemitism at a North American university. At Yale he taught in the Political Science Department and the Program on Ethics, Politics and Economics, and ran a postdoctoral and graduate studies fellowship program at YIISA. Previously, he served as the Koret Distinguished Fellow, at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University. He has lectured internationally and worked as a consultant and policy advisor in North America, Europe, Southern Africa, and the Middle East. Dr. Small specializes in social and cultural theory, globalization and national identity, socio-cultural policy, social movements, and racism(s) – including antisemitism(s).

He is the author of books and articles including the six-volume *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity* (Brill and ISGAP); *The Yale Papers: Antisemitism in Comparative Perspective* (ISGAP, 2015); *Antisemitism in Comparative Perspective: Volume Two* (2016); and *Social Theory – a Historical Analysis of Canadian Socio-cultural Policies Race and the Other* (Eleven International Publishers, 2013). Dr. Small is committed to creating scholarly programming and research on contemporary antisemitism at top tier universities internationally, and establishing contemporary antisemitism studies as a recognized academic discipline.

## **Tutorial Group Leaders**

Tutorial group leaders will lead cohorts through discussion groups sessions from 3:30-4:30pm ET on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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**Professor Gabriel Noah Brahm**, Northern Michigan University, Director of Michigan's Center for Academic and Intellectual Freedom (CAIF)

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Dr. Karen Blair is an award-winning professor of psychology at Trent University in Ontario, Canada. She was previously a Jules Léger Research Chair in the Humanities and Social Sciences at St. Francis Xavier University where she received the Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award in 2019. Dr. Blair's research focuses on intergroup relationships and health, including LGBTQ communities, Holocaust education, hate crimes, and collective responses to mass shootings. Since 2016 she has been teaching a 4th year seminar course on the Social Psychology of the Holocaust whilst also conducting research on Holocaust knowledge and education. In 2018, she led St. Francis Xavier University's first Holocaust Study trip during the February reading week, which involved traveling to Germany and Poland with a group of ten students. In 2019, Dr. Blair was

selected as one of 25 educators across Canada to participate in the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem's Leaders of Change Program, which focused on the future of Holocaust Education. Most recently, Dr. Blair has developed the Maple League of Universities' first international immersion course focused on the Holocaust: The Holocaust & Now, which included a semester of intensive readings prior to a 3-week study trip to Europe; it was, however, unfortunately canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To learn more about Dr. Blair's research and teaching, please visit [www.drkarenblair.com](http://www.drkarenblair.com).



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Dr. Ellen Cannon has been a Professor of Political Science and Jewish Studies at Northeastern Illinois University from 1978-present. She received a Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts in 1973 and a B.A. SUNY at Stony Brook in 1969. She is a graduate of the 2019 ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute. Recent publications include, "Contemporary Jewish Politics and Historiography: The Case of the BDS Movement," in Dean Phillip Bell (ed.) *THE ROUTLEDGE COMPANION TO JEWISH HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY*, (2019); "The BDS and Anti-BDS Movements: Propaganda War vs. Interest Group Articulation," *JEWISH POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW* (Fall, 2019); and more than 400 news articles on terrorism and catastrophic disasters.

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Abderrahim Chhaibi is a pedagogical instructor of teachers in Morocco, and has ten years of experience teaching Psychology of Education at CRMEF (centre regional des métiers de l'enseignement et de la formation). A researcher in the field of pedagogy and methods of teaching history, he is interested in combating antisemitism and educating people in Morocco and other Muslim Societies about the Holocaust and contemporary antisemitism. He was a scholar-in-residence at the ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute (2015), and he has participated in several international seminars about antisemitism and Holocaust education, including: the International Educators Institute. organized by US Holocaust Memorial Museum

(2011);, Salzburg Global Seminars about Holocaust Education in Austria (2013 ); The 5<sup>th</sup> International Forum on Combating Anti-Semitism, in Jerusalem/ Israel (2015); the USHMM training session on Holocaust Education (2015); and the Yad Vashem Training Session for Moroccan Educators and Journalists (2017).





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Carol Colffield is a PhD Candidate at the University of São Paulo where she explores the scholarship of three Jewish European economists who worked in Brazil during the 1940s and 50s. A historian, teacher and translator, Carol holds two Master's degrees – in Jewish Studies (FFLCH/USP, 2016); Latin American Studies (PROLAM/USP, 1995);– and in Architecture, (Faculdade de Belas Artes de São Paulo, 1990). She has published several articles in academic magazines and co-authored *Entre Mundos: História e Memória dos Sobreviventes do Holocausto* [Between Worlds: History and Memory of Holocaust Survivors] (Perspectiva, 2018). The book was selected by the National Textbook Program and adopted in Brazilian Schools. Ms. Colffield participated in the first cohort of the ISGAP Summer Institute for Curriculum Development in Critical Antisemitism, at Hertford College, University of Oxford, in 2015.



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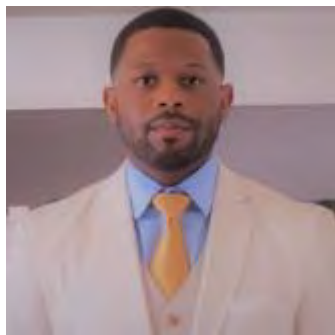


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Mr. Christopher Gurley is a second-year divinity student at Yale University pursuing a Master of Arts degree in Religion. Prior to attending Yale University, he earned a Master of Theological Studies degree at Vanderbilt University, and as the first African American recipient of the Roman Catholic scholarship at Vanderbilt. He earned his undergraduate degree at Tennessee State University. His research seeks to locate the African American Catholic experience within Global Catholicism and the U.S. religious discourse. Through his examination of global Catholicism and U.S. religion, he has examined the role of religion in the movements of marginalization and disinheritance which undergird the realities of oppression. Mr. Gurley is an aspiring Catholic historian dedicated to elevating and affirming the voices and narratives of historically marginalized communities. He is seriously committed to deconstructing social paradigms of oppression through reimagining our shared understanding of histories of religion. Mr. Gurley believes that although we all inherit realities formed long before we came into being, we each have a responsibility to strive toward that liberative world which has yet to come. As the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said "no one is free until we are all free."



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Karen Gutensohn is a Junior at Rollins college from Washington, D.C. studying Environmental studies, and double minoring one Jewish studies and MENA studies. Gutensohn is the incoming president of Rollins Hillel for the 2020-2021 school year, and has been an active member of Hillel and active student in the Jewish studies program since her freshman year. Currently she is working on an independent research project under Dr. Yudit Greenberg on the body in Judaism, embodied rituals, beliefs, and practices with a focus gender and sexuality.



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Jordyn Hawkins-Rippie earned the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Management with a Minor in Leadership Studies from Hampton University in May 2017. He is a Higher Education Relationship Manager at LewerMark, a family-owned, international student health insurance company that tailors programs to fit the health insurance needs of international students studying in the United States.

Jordyn has experienced a wide variety of professional experiences with Deloitte, PricewaterhouseCoopers, and PNC Financial Services, having served as a Summer Institute for Emerging Leaders (SIEML) Fellow at both the University of California, Davis & University of California San Diego (UCSD), respectively. More recently, he served as a Congressional Intern in the Office of the Speaker of the House, under former Speaker Paul Ryan and spent eleven months teaching English and serving as a cultural ambassador with the Fulbright Program. Additionally, during his time in Malaysia, Jordyn traveled extensively throughout Southeast Asia. He also represented the United States delegation at the Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations (HPAIR), where his team won the World Bank Malaysia Case Competition for optimizing digital platforms to increase financial literacy and education.

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### **Daphne Klajman**

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Born and raised in Brazil, Daphne moved to Canada to pursue an undergraduate degree in Psychology and Religious Studies. There she witnessed and experienced unparalleled examples of antisemitism on multiple levels -- including student-, professor-related, and institutionally. This drove her to dedicate her undergraduate years to the fight against antisemitism on college campuses across the country. As a resident assistant for two years, she was able to obtain an even closer look at systemic racism and antisemitism on campus, which further drove her to continue on the path of advocacy. She became a fierce advocate for Jewish university students, engaging in many important areas of concern. From serving as an advocacy intern at Hillel Atlantic to advocating as a Hasbara Fellow on campus, to serving on the board of directors of her student association, Daphne Klajman has fought to advocate against antisemitism through policy change, campaigning, as well as monthly meetings with university administrators. Currently, Daphne works as a research and programming coordinator at ISGAP, is an intern at United Nations Watch, and will be starting her master's degree in diplomacy at IDC-Herzliya in the fall of 2020.



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Ilana Lazar is a recent graduate from York University in Toronto, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and her Bachelor of Education. During her six years of studies at York University, Ilana was Vice President of Hillel and worked with StandWithUs, as campus fellow, advocating to provide Jewish students with an inclusive space void of antisemitism. She also helped edit and proofread the memoir of an Egyptian Muslim asylum seeker who broke away from Arabic antisemitism. In doing so, she was able to observe and learn from different voices.



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Chris McFadden is a first year PhD student in Ethnomusicology at Harvard University. He is a recent honors graduate of Claflin University, where he earned the Bachelor of Arts in Music (Voice). Whilst a student at Claflin, McFadden also served as the Student Government Association Chaplain, a faithful Peer Mentor, and was a UNCF Mellon Mays Fellow. Christoph's scholarly interests include music and spirituality, African American gospel traditions, and genre studies. He is also interested in studying how African American musical genres influence pop culture and social movements in the United States. Outside of his research, Christoph' is a singer, published creative writer, minister, and is passionate about mentorship. Christoph' believes in using his platforms to promote continued and interdisciplinary education as a means of achieving societal equity.



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Cheyenne Paris is finishing an MA in Conflict Resolution and Coexistence and Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, with a concentration in Holocaust Education at Brandeis University. She has informally studied Holocaust History for years before attending Brandeis and will now be pursuing a career in Holocaust Education. Since starting at Brandeis, Cheyenne has become heavily involved in Holocaust Education initiatives in the greater Boston area, including meeting with survivors and speaking out about the dangers of antisemitism. Most recently, she traveled with *Together, Restoring Their Names* as a student fellow to Poland, the Netherlands and Germany, studying public sites of Holocaust education in Europe. Cheyenne is currently in charge of a book club entitled "Resistance in the Holocaust", for college students during summer 2020. Cheyenne is especially interested in looking critically at the current state of Holocaust Education, both in America and internationally, and identifying improvements that can be made to keep it relevant for students today. Along with identifying improvements, she wants to integrate Holocaust History into the teaching of current events to help combat antisemitism and discrimination, either through teaching or writing curricula.



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Rosanna Rafel-Rix graduated from University College London in 2011, with a Bachelor's degree in Ancient History and Egyptology and completed her Master's degree from the School of Oriental and African Studies in Near and Middle Eastern Studies in 2012. She is currently the Policy and External Affairs Manager at the Antisemitism Policy Trust, having joined in January 2020, after nearly a decade of experience working within the policy and communications spheres to tackle antisemitism and hate crime. She previously worked for the Community Security Trust, leading their work to tackle antisemitic hate speech online and developing their social media presence. She has specialist knowledge of antisemitism, antisemitic hate crime, hate speech online and hate speech legislation in the UK. In her spare time, Rosanna is studying for an additional Master's degree in Criminology, focused on hate crime and writing her thesis on victim typologies and experiences of faith-based hate crime in England and Wales. She is also a trustee of the Jewish Vegetarian Society.



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Meirav Iboga Rasumni is currently a Master's candidate at the University of Haifa where she is completing her thesis on the BDS movement. Meirav earned a Bachelor's degree at the University of Haifa in 2019. In her early twenties, Meirav ran a real estate agency. Later, she moved to Tel Aviv to fulfill her dream of becoming an artist. During this time, she supported herself with freelance painting and graphic design projects. Halfway retiring early, she has decided to settle down and return to Israel.





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Cordaro Shaw is currently pursuing a Master of Arts degree at Yale University. He was recently named one of 29 President Public Service Fellows at Yale. Cordaro graduated from Morehouse College with high honors in 2019, earning a Bachelor's degree in English Literature and Religious Studies. While at Morehouse, Cordaro remained extraordinarily involved on-campus working as a Chapel Assistant, New Student Orientation Leader, Freshman Orientation Peer Facilitator, President of the Student Advisory Board, Resident Advisor, and Chief of Staff of the Student Government Association. At Morehouse, he was also a recipient of an Oprah Winfrey Scholarship, Reggie McKenzie Scholarship, Dr. Charles Gilchrist Adams Scholarship, and Jacqueline Feigenson Memorial Fund Scholarship. In addition, Cordaro was one of six students extended the B.R. Brazeal Award, a prize which is primarily given to graduating seniors who best display the characteristics of a 'Morehouse Man.' Not only was Mr. Shaw recognized among this group of esteemed students, but he is one of the few students in the history of the college to have been recognized in such a way during the awardee's sophomore year.



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Chanel Shirazi is a recent graduate of George Mason University, where she received a Bachelor of Arts in Conflict Analysis and Resolution, concentrating in Community Engagement and Leadership. Her interests in Jewish advocacy, education and community outreach led her to become the student body president of Mason Hillel. In that capacity, Chanel worked with the Mason University administration to include and represent faith organizations in campus life. This past year, she served as Mason Hillel's first assistant to the Executive Director, and one of eighteen students from around the world on Hillel International's student cabinet. Throughout Chanel's experiences, she became intrigued with interfaith and Jewish inter-denominational relations within Jewish communities. She conducted a senior thesis titled "The Spectrum of Jewish Attitudes Towards Jewish-Catholic Relations Within and Across Jewish Denominations". She aspires to pursue graduate work in Jewish education or attend rabbinical school.



## **Adaya Sturkey**

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Adaya Sturkey was chosen in 2019 for post-graduate study as a Schwarzman Scholar. Representing the United States in her capacity as a Schwarzman Scholar, Adaya earned a Master's in Global Affairs, with a concentration in Public Policy, from Tsinghua University in Beijing. Prior to her time in China, Adaya completed a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Hampton University. Adaya currently works in Housing and Residence Life at Old Dominion University, in Norfolk, Virginia.

Outside of her professional degree, Adaya is the co-founder of Flourish Mentoring Program, a non-profit organization for young girls in her hometown. She hopes to pursue a degree in medicine and

healthcare administration. Adaya's research interests are primarily in ethnic and geographical healthcare disparities and health care access. In addition to her research experience, Adaya also values exposure to non-STEM fields and has completed internships in both business and politics. She aspires to use this diverse background to help reform the United States healthcare system and help to build a more equitable world.