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ANTISEMITISM STUDIES

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Dear Scholars-in-Residence, Wiesel-King Scholars, and Colleagues,

On behalf of the ISGAP Team, it is a great pleasure to welcome you to the 11th Annual ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute for Curriculum Development in Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies at St. Catherine's College, Oxford.

Given your commitment to scholarship and to mapping, decoding, examining, and combating antisemitism, I am certain that you will add much to the ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute and be enriched by it. The success of the ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute is dependent on the contributions and perspectives we all bring to this timely gathering.

In the aftermath of the October 7th pogrom, the worst murder and torture of Jewish people since the Shoah, the ISGAP-Oxford Summer Institute continues to make inroads into academia by creating a "space" for the study of critical contemporary antisemitism as a new academic discipline. In effect, we are beginning to break the taboo and the silence surrounding this issue. We must turn the tide of antisemitism that is being normalized, not only on the campuses of our universities but, more importantly, within our classrooms and curriculum.

The demonization of Judaism, Israel, and Zionism in the academic discourse at our best universities is not a parochial problem for the Jewish people but an assault on basic democratic principles, values, and practice. As Professor Elie Weisel always taught, antisemitism may begin with the Jewish people, but it never ends with the Jewish people. Once this form of hate is unleashed, it knows no boundaries, attacking other groups as well as our democratic institutions. We are also witnessing a rise in racism, xenophobia, sexism, homophobia, and other forms of hate.

Through our groundbreaking Summer Institute, together we continue to develop formal and informal networks of scholars committed to this goal. We are dedicated to ensuring that more professors teach courses in critical contemporary antisemitism studies and that students engage with this subject matter and join our efforts.

Given these tumultuous times and the explosion of antisemitism globally – and especially within democratic societies, academic institutions, and the halls of power – our work and this gathering are more vital than ever.

During the seminars and meetings, your engagement and efforts are always welcome. In fact, the ISGAP Team hopes that you will ultimately become ambassadors for the much-needed study of contemporary antisemitism and the development of methods to combat it.

Best wishes,
Charles



Dr. Charles Asher Small (D.Phil. Oxon)

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27 July – 8 August 2025, St. Catherine's College, Oxford

Session Locations:

PLENARY – Riverside Theatre
GROUP A – Riverside Theatre
GROUP B – Mary Sunley Room

Sunday, 27 July 2025 – St. Catherine's College, Oxford

3:00 – 4:00 PM	Registration – Porters' Lodge / Reception
4:00 – 5:00 PM	PLENARY Welcoming Remarks and Introductions
5:00 – 5:20 PM	Dr. Charles Asher Small , Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies; Research Fellow, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK <i>"The Importance of Creating Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies"</i>
5:20 – 5:40 PM	Haras Rafiq , Strategic Advisor, ISGAP, Manchester, UK <i>"Islamism Beyond Islamists"</i>
5:40 – 6:10 PM	Q&A
6:40 PM	Film Viewing with Light Dinner <i>"24 Days: The True Story of the Ilan Halimi Affair"</i> Directed by Alexandre Arcady
8:30 – 9:30 PM	Film Debrief

Monday, 28 July 2025 – St. Catherine's College, Oxford

8:00 AM

Breakfast – Dining Hall

9:30 – 11:00 AM

GROUP A

Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies; Research Fellow, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK
“Globalization and the War Against the Jewish People”

GROUP B

Professor Joël Kotek, Faculty, ISGAP; Professor of Political Science, Free University of Brussels (ULB), Brussels, Belgium; Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris, Paris, France
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1:00 – 2:30 PM

Lunch Break – Dining Hall

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Tea Break – Foyer

4:30 – 6:00 PM

PLENARY

David Harris, Executive Vice Chair, ISGAP, New York, US
“Antisemitism and a Failure of Imagination”

6:00 – 6:15 PM

Break

6:15 – 7:00 PM

Breakout Session

Tuesday, 29 July 2025 – St. Catherine's College, Oxford

8:00 AM

Breakfast – Dining Hall

9:30 – 11:00 AM

GROUP A

Professor Amy Elman, Professor of Political Science, William Weber Chair of Social Science, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, US

“Gaslit – 10/7 Rape Denialism, Antisemitism and the Manosphere”

GROUP B

Professor David Hirsh, Founder, LCSCA; Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Sociology, Goldsmiths College, London, UK

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PLENARY

Film Viewing

“October 8”

Directed by Wendy Sachs and Produced by Nimrod Erez

6:10 – 6:25 PM

Break

6:25 – 7:15 PM

Discussion with Wendy Sachs, Director of *October 8*, and Nimrod Erez, Producer of *October 8*

Wednesday, 30 July 2025 – St. Catherine's College, Oxford

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
9:30 – 11:00 AM	PLENARY Giulietta Boukhobza , Scholar and Author, New York, US <i>“The Forgotten Refugees of the Arab-Israeli Conflict: The Story of a Jew from Libya” A Moderated Discussion with David Harris</i>
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Tea Break – Foyer
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	GROUP A Professor Yossi Shain , Romulo Betancourt Professor of Political Science, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel <i>“A New Jewish Dilemma: After October 7th Between Power and Victimhood”</i> GROUP B Jonathan Spyer , Jerusalem Institute for Strategy and Security, Jerusalem, Israel <i>“Islamist Antisemitism in the Contemporary Middle East”</i>
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6:00 – 6:15 PM	Break
6:15 – 7:00 PM	Breakout Session

8:00 – 9:30 PM **Lawrence “Lazerwolf” Amsel**, Attending Psychiatrist, Columbia University, New York, US
***Resilience Group** (Optional)*

Thursday, 31 July 2025 – St. Catherine’s College, Oxford

8:00 AM **Breakfast** – Dining Hall

9:30 – 11:00 AM **GROUP A**
Professor Yossi Shain, Romulo Betancourt Professor of Political Science, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel
“How Israelis Understand Antisemitism”

GROUP B
Rick Sopher, CEO, Edmond de Rothschild Capital Holdings, London, UK
“What the Qur’an Really Says About Jews, Christians, the Bible, and the Holy Land: A Review in Light of Contemporary Discourse”

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Dr. Isaac Amon, Former ICTY-Hague Legal Fellow and ISIS War Crimes Investigator; Director of Academic Research, Jewish Heritage Alliance; Lecturer, Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, US
“The Sephardic and Mizrahi Jewish Experience”

1:00 – 2:30 PM **Lunch Break** – Dining Hall

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4:00 – 4:30 PM **Tea Break** – Foyer

4:30 – 6:00 PM **PLENARY**
Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme; Research Fellow, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, UK
Yehudit Barsky, Senior Research Fellow, ISGAP, New York, US
“Neoliberalism and Higher Education: The Privatization of Hate”

6:00 – 6:15 PM	Break
6:15 – 7:00 PM	Breakout Session

Friday, 1 August 2025 – St. Catherine's College, Oxford

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
9:30 – 11:00 AM	<p>GROUP A Professor Caryn Block, Professor of Psychology and Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, US <i>“Capturing the Impact of Contemporary Antisemitism: Insights on Jewish Well-Being and Belonging on College Campuses”</i></p> <p>GROUP B Professor Dyanne Martin, Professor of English, Wheaton College, US <i>“Crossroads of Hatred and Hope: Christian Antisemitism and Alliance”</i></p>
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Tea Break – Foyer
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4:00 – 4:30 PM	Tea Break – Foyer
4:30 – 6:00 PM	<p>PLENARY Rabbi Kish Ben Onyia, Leader in Adat Yisrael Synagogue, Lagos, Nigeria <i>“Igbos and Their Struggle Against Antisemitism”</i></p> <p>Rabbi Eli Brackman, Co-Director of the Oxford Chabad Society, Oxford, UK <i>“Tisha B'Av: Finding Meaning in a History of Expulsion and Exclusion”</i></p>
7:30 PM	Shabbat Dinner at the Slager Jewish Student Centre (Optional) 61 George St, Oxford, OX1 2BQ

Saturday, 2 August 2025 – Free Day

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
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9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Marcus Roberts, Independent Scholar and Researcher, Oxford, UK
Walking Tour of Jewish History at Oxford *(Optional)*
Meet at Porters' Lodge

Sunday, 3 August 2025 – Free Day

8:00 AM

Breakfast – Dining Hall

Monday, 4 August 2025 – St. Catherine's College, Oxford

8:00 AM

Breakfast – Dining Hall

9:30 – 11:00 AM

GROUP A

Professor Karen Milner, President, South African Jewish Board of Deputies; Vice-President (South Africa), WJC; Associate Professor of Psychology, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, SA
"A View from South Africa: Ground Zero for Anti-Israel Slurs – Apartheid, Colonialism, and Now Genocide"

GROUP B

Professor Cary Nelson, Faculty, ISGAP; Jubilee Professor of Liberal Arts & Sciences Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, US
"Antisemitism in Higher Education Since 10/7/23"

11:00 – 11:30 AM

Tea Break – Foyer

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

GROUP A

Professor Uzi Rabi, Senior Researcher and Head, Regional Cooperation, Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel
"Geopolitical Revolution in the Middle East and Its Ramifications on Israel's Status in the Region and Beyond"

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4:00 – 4:30 PM	Tea Break – Foyer
4:30 – 6:00 PM	PLENARY Community Security Trust (CST) convened by Eran Benedek, Senior Research Analyst, CST, London, UK
6:00 – 6:15 PM	Break
6:15 – 7:00 PM	Breakout Session
8:30 – 9:30 PM	Dr. Charles Asher Small , Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies; Research Fellow, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK Professor Cary Nelson , Faculty, ISGAP; Jubilee Professor of Liberal Arts & Sciences Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, US <i>“The Crisis of Modernity: Understanding the Political and Philosophical Roots of the Normalization of Antisemitism” (Optional)</i>

Tuesday, 5 August 2025 – St. Catherine’s College, Oxford

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
9:30 – 11:00 AM	GROUP A Yehudah Barlev, C.P.A. (Isr.) , Leader of the Forensic Accounting Team, ISGAP FTM Project; CEO and Founder, Barlev Associates, Accountants, Tel Aviv, Israel <i>“Soft Power and Buying Influence in Higher Education”</i> GROUP B Dr. Rafael Medoff , Founding Director, The David S. Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies, Washington, DC <i>“Antisemitism and the Road to October 7”</i>
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Tea Break – Foyer
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	GROUP A Professor Cary Nelson , ISGAP Faculty; Jubilee Professor of Liberal Arts & Sciences Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, US <i>“How Can We Save the University from Antisemitism?”</i> GROUP B Yehudah Barlev, C.P.A. (Isr.) , Leader of the Forensic Accounting Team, ISGAP FTM Project; CEO and Founder, Barlev Associates, Accountants, Tel Aviv, Israel <i>“Soft Power and Buying Influence in Higher Education”</i>
1:00 – 2:30 PM	Lunch Break – Dining Hall
2:30 – 4:00 PM	GROUP A Dr. Rafael Medoff , Founding Director, The David S. Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies, Washington, DC, US <i>“Antisemitism and the Road to October 7”</i>

GROUP B

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"How Can We Save the University from Antisemitism?"

4:00 – 4:30 PM

Tea Break – Foyer

4:30 – 6:00 PM	PLENARY Professor Yifat Bitton , Founder, Tmura – The Israeli Anti-Discrimination Center; President, Achva Academic College, Yinnon, Israel <i>“Hamas’s October 7th Weaponization of Sexual Atrocities: Seeing the Victims Through the Chaos of Terror”</i>
6:00 – 6:15 PM	Break
6:15 – 7:00 PM	Breakout Session
8:30 – 9:30 PM	Dr. Lev Topor , Research Fellow, ISGAP, Israel <i>“Artificially Amplified: Challenges and Complexities of Dealing with AI-Enhanced Antisemitism Online” (Optional)</i>

Wednesday, 6 August 2025 – St. Catherine’s College, Oxford

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
9:30 – 11:00 AM	GROUP A Professor Ansel Brown , Fellow, ISGAP; Visiting Assistant Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law, North Carolina, US <i>“Examining Common Libels Against the Jewish State Under International Law”</i> GROUP B Michal Cotler-Wunsh , Israel’s Special Envoy for Antisemitism, Jerusalem, Israel <i>“The Hijacking and Weaponization of Law to Mainstreaming Antisemitism and Terror”</i>
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1:00 – 2:30 PM	Lunch Break – Dining Hall
2:30 – 4:00 PM	Pedagogy Workshop – Riverside Theatre This session is dedicated time for participants to work on developing their individual curricula or projects.
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Tea Break – Foyer
4:30 – 6:00 PM	PLENARY

Professor Uzi Rabi, Director, Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel
“Israel and Iran – The Long War Comes to a Head”

6:00 – 6:15 PM	Break
6:15 – 7:00 PM	Breakout Session
8:00 – 9:30 PM	Lawrence “Lazerwolf” Amsel , Attending Psychiatrist, Columbia University, New York, US <i>Resilience Group (Optional)</i>

Thursday, 7 August 2025 – St. Catherine’s College, Oxford

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
9:30 – 11:00 AM	PLENARY Dr. Charles Asher Small , Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme; Research Fellow, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, UK <i>“Curriculum Development Workshop – Introduction”</i>
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Tea Break – Foyer
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Curriculum Development Workshop
1:00 – 2:30 PM	Lunch Break – Dining Hall
2:30 – 4:00 PM	Curriculum Development Workshop
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Tea Break – Foyer
4:30 – 6:00 PM	Curriculum Development Workshop
6:00 – 7:30 PM	Natan Sharansky , Chair, ISGAP, Jerusalem, Israel Dr. Benjamin Chavis , Faculty, ISGAP; Executive Director and CEO of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); President and CEO, National Newspaper Publishers Association, Washington, DC, US <i>“A Tale of Two Movements: Civil Rights, Soviet Jewry, and the Ongoing Struggle Against Hate”</i>
7:30 – 9:30 PM	Farewell Event – Wine & Cheese

Friday, 8 August 2025 – St. Catherine’s College, Oxford

8:00 AM	Breakfast – Dining Hall
9:30 – 11:00 AM	Presentations of Syllabi and Projects
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Tea Break – Foyer
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Presentations of Syllabi and Projects

1:00 – 2:30 PM

Lunch Break – Dining Hall

2:30 – 4:00 PM

Presentations of Syllabi and Projects

4:00 PM

Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP;
Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on
Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies; Research Fellow, St
Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Concluding Remarks and Conferring of Certificates

RECOMMENDED READINGS FOR THE ISGAP-OXFORD SUMMER
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Subject One: Global Antisemitism

1. Small, Charles A. *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity*. New York: ISGAP, 2014.
2. Wistrich, Robert S. *Antisemitism: The Longest Hatred*. London: Schocken, 1991.
3. Haziza, David. "[David Nirenberg: Anti-Judaism Is a Means of Thinking the World](#)" (15 September 2022).

Subject Two: From Nazi to Islamic and Arab Antisemitism

1. Wistrich, Robert S. *A Lethal Obsession: Antisemitism from Antiquity to Global Jihad*. New York: Random House, 2010.
2. Herf, Jeffrey. *Nazi Propaganda for the Arab World*. Hartford: Yale University Press, 2010.
3. Küntzel, Matthias. *Jihad and Jew-Hatred: Islamism, Nazism and the Roots of 9/11*. New York: Telos Press, 2007.
4. Dalin, David G. and John F. Rothman. *Icon of Evil: Hitler's Mufti and the Rise of Radical Islam*. New York: Random House, 2008.

Subject Three: The Left, Israel and Anti-Zionism

1. Wistrich, Robert S. *From Ambivalence to Betrayal: The Left, the Jews, and Israel*. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2012.
2. Vaksberg, Arkada. *Stalin Against the Jews*. New York: Knopf, 1994.
3. Deutscher, Isaac. *The Non-Jewish Jew and Other Essays*. London: Verso, 1958.
4. Wistrich, Robert S. "[Judeophobia and Marxism.](#)" *Commentary* (December 2014).

Subject Four: Post-2000 – The "New" Antisemitism in Europe

1. Nirenberg, David. *Anti-Judaism: The Western Tradition*. New York: W.W. Norton, 2013.
2. Taguieff, Pierre-André. *Rising from the Muck: The New Antisemitism in Europe*. Chicago: Ivan R. Dee, 2004.
3. Shepherd, Robin. *A State Beyond the Pale: Europe's Problem with Israel*. London: Orion Publishing, 2009.

SYLLABUS 2025

Sunday, 27 July 2025

Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

“The Importance of Creating Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies”

Recommended Readings (Small):

1. Small, Charles Asher. [*Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity*](#). New York: ISGAP, 2014.
2. Wistrich, Robert S. *Antisemitism: The Longest Hatred*. London: Schocken, 1991.
3. Wistrich, Robert S. *A Lethal Obsession: Anti-Semitism from Antiquity to the Global Jihad*. New York: Random House, 2010.
4. Nirenberg, David. *Anti-Judaism: The Western Tradition*. New York: W.W. Norton, 2013.
5. Castells, Manuel. *The Rise of the Network Society*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1996.
6. Castells, Manuel. *The Power of Identity*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1997.
7. McGrew, Tony, Stuart Hall, and David Held, eds., *Modernity and Its Futures*. London: Polity Press, 1992.
8. Harvey, David. *The Condition of Postmodernity*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1989.
9. Oncu, Ayse and Petra Weyland. *Space, Culture and Power: New Identities in Globalising Cities*. London: Zed Press, 1997.
10. Small, Charles Asher et al. [*National Students for Justice in Palestine \(NSJP\), Antisemitism, Anti-Americanism, Violent Extremism and the Threat to North American Universities*](#). New York: ISGAP, 2024.
11. [*Follow the Money: Qatar and the Muslim Brotherhood Funding of Higher Education in the United States*](#). New York: ISGAP, 2019–present.

Haras Rafiq, Strategic Advisor, ISGAP, Manchester, UK

“Islamism Beyond Islamists”

Recommended Readings (Rafiq):

1. Jenkins, Sir John, Martyn Frampton, and Tom Wilson, [*Understanding Islamism*](#). London: Policy Exchange, 2020.
2. Hasan, Sheikh Dr. Usama. [*From Dhimmitude to Democracy: Islamic Law, Non-Muslims & Equal Citizenship*](#). London: Quilliam, 2015.
3. Rafiq, Haras and Nikita Malik. [*Caliphettes: Women and the Appeal of Islamic State*](#). London: Quilliam, 2015.
4. Fraser-Rahim, Muhammad and Adrian Taylor. [*Transforming the Hate That Hate Produced: An Analysis of the History and Counter-Radicalization Efforts of the Community of Imam WD Muhammad*](#). London: Quilliam, 2018.
5. Al-Ansari, Salah and Usama Hasan. [*Tackling Terror: A Response to Takfiri Terrorist Theology*](#). London: Quilliam, 2018.

Monday, 28 July 2025

Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

“Globalization and the War Against the Jewish People”

Professor Joël Kotek, Professor of Political Science, Free University of Brussels (ULB), Brussels, Belgium; Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris, Paris, France

“Antisemitism As a Conspiracy Theory”

Recommended Readings (Kotek):

1. Hirsh, David. *The Rebirth of Antisemitism in the 21st Century: From the Academic Boycott Campaign into the Mainstream*. London: Routledge, 2024.
2. Kotek, Joël, *Cartoons and Extremism: Israel and the Jews in Arab and Western Media*. New York: Vallentine Mitchell, 2008.
3. Gerstenfeld, Manfred. [“Manfred Gerstenfeld on Cartoons and Extremism: Israel and the Jews in Arab and Western Media, by Joël Kotek.”](#) *Jewish Political Studies Review* (2009).
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Balázs Berkovits, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, ISGAP; École des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS), Paris, France

“Jews, the ‘White’ Label, and Contemporary Critical Theory”

Recommended Readings (Berkovits):

1. Brodtkin, Karen. [How Jews Became White Folk and What That Says About Race in America](#). New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, 1999.
2. Schraub, David. [“White Jews: An Intersectional Approach.”](#) *AJS Review* 43, no. 2 (November 2019).
3. Hollinger, David A. [Cosmopolitanism and Solidarity: Studies in Ethnoracial, Religious, and Professional Affiliation in the United States](#). Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2006, pp. 135–165.

David Harris, Vice Chair of Global Affairs, ISGAP, New York, US

“Antisemitism and a Failure of Imagination”

Recommended Readings (Harris):

1. Harris, David. *Antisemitism: What Everyone Needs to Know*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2025. (forthcoming).
<https://www.amazon.com/Antisemitism-What-Everyone-Needs-Know/dp/019780067X>

Tuesday, 29 July 2025

Amy Elman, Professor of Political Science; William Weber Chair of Social Science, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, US

“Gaslit – 10/7 Rape Denialism, Antisemitism and the Manosphere”

Recommended Readings (Elman):

1. Blackmer, Corrine E. and Andrew Pessin, eds. [Poisoning the Wells: Antisemitism in Contemporary America](#). New York: ISGAP, 2021.
2. Elman, R. Amy. [“October 7: Passionate Anti-Zionists, Pornography, and Feminist Impersonators.”](#) *Antisemitism Studies* 8, no. 2 (October 2024), pp. 298–303.

Professor David Hirsh, Founder, LCSCA; Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Sociology, Goldsmiths College, London, UK

“Contemporary Sociology and Contemporary Antisemitism”

Recommended Readings (Hirsh):

1. Hirsh, David. [“Hostility to Israel and Antisemitism: Toward a Sociological Approach.”](#) *Journal for the Study of Antisemitism* 5 (2013): 1401-1419.
2. Hirsh, David and Hilary Miller. [“Durban Antizionism: Its Sources, Its Impact, and Its Relation to Older Anti-Jewish Ideologies.”](#) *Journal of Contemporary Antisemitism* 5, no. 1 (August 11, 2022).
3. Ellman, Dame Louise, David Hirsh, and Izabella Tabarovsky. [Antisemitic Anti-Zionism: The Origins and Character of an Ideology](#). Labour Friends of Israel (July 2022).
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Elhanan Yakira, Professor Emeritus, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

“Judeophobia and Anti-Israelism”

Recommended Readings (Yakira):

1. Shabi, Rachel. *Off-White: The Truth About Antisemitism*. New York: Simon and Schuster, 2024.
2. Traverso, Enzo. *Gaza Faces History*. New York: Other Press, 2024.
3. [“Vienna Jewish Anti-Zionist Congress: We Are All Gaza and Stand Together Against Settler Colonialism!”](#) *Workers World*, July 4, 2025.

Wednesday, 30 July 2025

Giulietta Boukhobza, Scholar and Author, New York, US

“The Forgotten Refugees of the Arab-Israeli Conflict: The Story of a Jew from Libya”: A Moderated Discussion with David Harris

Recommended Readings (Shain):

1. Boukhobza, Giulietta. “I see myself in that Afghan girl – and I want to scream.” *Times of Israel*. 27 August 2021.
<https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/i-see-myself-in-that-afghan-girl-and-i-want-to-scream/>.
2. Boukhobza, Giulietta. “You can’t be ashamed of Israel and still be my friend.” *Future of Jewish*. 29 June 2025.
<https://www.futureofjewish.com/p/you-cant-be-ashamed-of-israel-and>.

Professor Yossi Shain, Romulo Betancourt Professor of Political Science, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

"A New Jewish Dilemma: After October 7th Between Power and Victimhood"

Recommended Readings (Shain):

1. Shain, Yossi. *The Israeli Century: How the Zionist Revolution Changed History and Reinvented Judaism*. Brentwood, TN: Post Hill Press, 2021.

Jonathan Spyer, Jerusalem Institute for Strategy and Security, Jerusalem, Israel

"Islamist Antisemitism in the Contemporary Middle East"

Recommended Readings (Spyer):

1. Kramer, Martin. "[The Salience of Islamic Antisemitism](#)." *Institute of Jewish Affairs Report*, no. 2 (1995).
2. Lewis, Bernard. "[Muslim Anti-Semitism](#)." *Middle East Quarterly* 5, no. 3 (1998).
3. "[Hassan Nasrallah: In His Own Words](#)." CAMERA, 2006.
4. Islam Question & Answer. "[In The Battle Between the Jews and the Muslims at the End of Time, the Aggressors Will Be the Jews](#)." n.d.

Professor Uzi Rabi, Senior Researcher and Head, Regional Cooperation, Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

"Geopolitical Revolution in the Middle East and its Ramifications on Israel's Status in the Region and Beyond"

Recommended Readings (Rabi):

1. Vick, Karl. "[A New Middle East Is Unfolding Before Our Eyes](#)." *Time*, June 22, 2025.
2. Khoury, Nabeel A. "[A Trump-Netanyahu New Middle East?](#)" Arab Center, Washington, DC, July 9, 2025.
3. Hussein, Mohamed A. "[Mapping Israel's Expanding Battlefronts Across the Middle East](#)." *Al Jazeera*, June 25, 2025.
4. "[Briefing: Israel's War with Iran is Over](#)." *The Economist*, June 26, 2025.
5. Rabi, Uzi and Brandon Friedman. "[Weaponizing Sectarianism in Iraq and Syria](#)." *Foreign Policy Research Institute* (2017).

Thursday, 31 July 2025

Professor Yossi Shain, Romulo Betancourt Professor of Political Science, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

"How Israelis Understand Antisemitism"

Rick Sopher, CEO of Edmond de Rothschild Capital Holdings, London, UK

"What the Qur'an Really Says About Jews, Christians, the Bible, and the Holy Land: A Review in Light of Contemporary Discourse"

Recommended Readings (Sopher):

1. Firestone, Reuven. [An Introduction to Islam for Jews](#). Melrose Park, PA: Jewish Publication Society, 2008.

Dr. Isaac Amon, Former ICTY-Hague Legal Fellow and ISIS War Crimes Investigator; Director of Academic Research, Jewish Heritage Alliance; Lecturer, Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, US

"The Sephardic and Mizrahi Jewish Experience"

Recommended Readings:

1. Mazzig, Hen. [“No, Israel Isn’t a Country of Privileged and Powerful White Europeans.”](#) *Los Angeles Times*, May 20, 2019.
2. Samuels, Joe. [“The Hottest Summer in Baghdad: 75th Anniversary of the Farhud.”](#) *Jewish Journal*, June 16, 2016.
3. Amon, Isaac. [“Interview with Dr. Isaac Amon: The Story of Sefarad.”](#) *Meer*, September 15, 2022.

Uzi Rabi, Senior Researcher and Head, Regional Cooperation, Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

“Israel and Iran – The Long War Comes to a Head”

1. Karl Vick. [“A New Middle East Is Unfolding Before Our Eyes.”](#) *Time*, June 23, 2025.
2. Khoury, Nabeel A. [“A Trump-Netanyahu New Middle East?”](#) Arab Center Washington DC, July 29, 2025.
3. Hussein, Mohamed A. [“Mapping Israel’s Expanding Battlefronts Across the Middle East.”](#) *Al Jazeera*, June 25, 2025.
4. [“Israel’s War with Iran Is Over.”](#) *Economist*, June 26, 2025.
5. Rabi, Uzi and Brandon Friedman. [“Weaponizing Sectarianism in Iraq and Syria.”](#) Foreign Policy Research Institute, April 3, 2017.

Friday, 1 August 2025

Professor Caryn Block, Professor of Psychology and Education, Columbia University, New York, US

“Capturing the Impact of Contemporary Antisemitism: Insights on Jewish Well-Being and Belonging on College Campuses”

Professor Dyanne Martin, Professor of English, Wheaton College, Wheaton, US

“Crossroads of Hatred and Hope: Christian Antisemitism and Alliance”

Recommended Readings (Martin):

1. Carroll, James. “The War of the Cross.” In [Constantine’s Sword: The Church and the Jews](#). Boston: Mariner Books, 2001.
2. McDermott, Gerald. [“Genocide in Gaza?”](#) *First Things*, May 16, 2025.
3. Villeneuve, André. [“Catholic Antisemitism: The Case of LifeSiteNews.”](#) *Catholics for Israel*, May 2, 2025.

Rabbi Kish Ben Onyia, Leader in Adat Yisrael Synagogue, Lagos, Nigeria

“Igbos and Their Struggle Against Antisemitism”

Rabbi Eli Brackman, Co-Director of the Oxford Chabad Society, UK

“Tisha B’Av and the Global Jewish Experience: Memory, Mourning, and Meaning”

Monday, 4 August 2025

Professor Karen Milner, President, South African Jewish Board of Deputies; Vice-President (South Africa), World Jewish Congress; Associate Professor of Psychology, School of Human and Community Development, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

“A View from South Africa: Ground Zero for Anti-Israel Slurs – Apartheid, Colonialism, and Now Genocide”

Recommended Readings (Milner):

1. Ahmed, A. Kayum. "[#RhodesMustFall: Decolonization, Praxis and Disruption](#)." *Journal of Comparative & International Higher Education* 9 (2017).
2. Ariel, Roni Mikel. "[Between Apartheid, the Holocaust and the Nakba: Archbishop Desmond Tutu's Pilgrimage to Israel-Palestine \(1989\) and the Emergence of an Analogical Lexicon](#)." *Journal of Genocide Research* 22, no. 3 (2019).
3. Ramsden, Michael. "[Litigating the Gaza Crisis: Legal and Political Strategies in South Africa v. Israel](#)." *Cardozo International & Comparative Law Review* 8, no. 2 (May 2025).

Professor David Patterson, ISGAP Faculty; Hillel Feinberg Distinguished Chair in Holocaust Studies, Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, US

"Antisemitism Morally Required in the Wake of Ten/Seven"

Recommended Readings (Patterson):

1. Patterson, David. [Antisemitism Morally Required in the Wake of Ten/Seven](#). The Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, 2025.

Professor Cary Nelson, Faculty, ISGAP; Jubilee Professor of Liberal Arts and Sciences Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, US

"Antisemitism in Higher Education Since 10/7/23"

Recommended Readings (Nelson):

1. Nelson, Cary. "Mindless: What Happened to Universities?" *Jewish Quarterly* (2025).
2. Nelson, Cary, Lilli Friedland, and Leslie O'Connell. "[The Impact of Antisemitism on Emerging Adults' Jewish Identity – Part II: Pursuing Solutions](#)." *Journal of Contemporary Antisemitism* (2024).

Community Security Trust (CST) convened by Eran Benedek, Senior Research Analyst, CST, London, UK

Tuesday, 5 August 2025

Yehudah Barlev, C.P.A. (Isr.), Leader of the Forensic Accounting Team, ISGAP FTM Project; CEO and Founder, Barlev Associates, Accountants Investigative Auditing, Tel Aviv, Israel

"Soft Power and Buying Influence in Higher Education"

Recommended Readings (Barlev):

1. [Networks of Hate: Qatari Paymasters, Soft Power, and the Manipulation of Democracy](#). New York: ISGAP, 2023.
2. [Cornell University's Ten Billion Dollar Sale: Soft Power, Qatar, the Muslim Brotherhood and an Antisemitism Crisis on Campus](#). New York: ISGAP, 2024.
3. [Hijacking Higher Education Qatar, The Muslim Brotherhood, and Texas A&M: Buying Nuclear Research and Student Information, Vol. 2](#). New York: ISGAP, 2024.
4. [The Corruption of the American Mind: How Foreign Funding of Higher Education in the United States Predicts the Erosion of Democratic Values and Antisemitic Sentiment on Campus, Vol. 2](#). New York: ISGAP, 2024.

Professor Cary Nelson, ISGAP Faculty; Jubilee Professor of Liberal Arts & Sciences Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, US

"How Can We Save the University from Antisemitism?"

Dr. Rafael Medoff, Founding Director, The David S. Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies, Washington, DC

“Antisemitism and the Road to October 7”

Recommended Readings (Medoff):

1. Eidelberg, Shlomo, ed., trans. *The Jews and the Crusaders: The Hebrew Chronicles of the First and Second Crusades*. Hoboken, NJ: KTAV Publishing House, 1996.
2. [“Education for Death – The Making of the Nazi 1943, WWII propaganda Walt Disney Productions animation.”](#) YouTube video. Uploaded by Don’s Vintage Videos, August 24, 2024 (10 minutes).
3. [“IDF soldiers find pictures of women, children holding rifles in Gaza home, seize weapons and military equipment found in civilian houses.”](#) X post. Uploaded by Ynetnews, December 26, 2023.
4. Marcus, Itamar and Nan Jacques Zilberdik. [“76 Palestinian Authority schools named after terrorists and Nazi collaborators and honoring Martyrs and Martyrdom.”](#) *Palestinian Media Watch*, September 17, 2018.
5. [“The horrific acts of Antisemitism this week.”](#) X post. Uploaded by President Biden Archived, June 14, 2024.
6. Kassel, Matthew. [“VP Harris, Lawmakers Condemn Antisemitic Vandalism in Pittsburgh.”](#) *Jewish Insider*, July 29, 2024.

Yifat Bitton, Founder, Tmura – The Israeli Anti-Discrimination Center; President, Achva Academic College of Science and Education, Yinon, Israel

“Hamass’s October 7th Weaponization of Sexual Atrocities: Seeing the Victims Through the Chaos of Terror”

Recommended Readings (Bitton):

1. Patten, Premila. [“Mission Report: Official Visit of the Office of the SRSG-SVC to Israel and the Occupied West Bank, 29 January – 14 February 2024.”](#) Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (March 2024).
2. [“Conflict-related Sexual Violence.”](#) Report of the Secretary-General. UN Doc. S/2024/292, April 24, 2024.
3. [Towards Meaningful Accountability for Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Linked to Terrorism.](#) United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) (November 2023).
4. Hagay-Frey, Alona. [Sex and Gender Crimes in the New International Law.](#) Leiden: Brill, 2011, pp. 4–23, 31–49.
5. Bitton, Yifat et al. [Challenges in Identifying and Documenting Sexual Crimes Committed During a Terrorist Attack: Lessons for Global Preparedness](#) (December 2024), pp. 4–23, 31–49.

Wednesday, 6 August 2025

Rabbi Dr. Mark Goldfeder, Esq., CEO and Director, National Jewish Advocacy Center (NJAC); Assistant Clinical Professor of Law, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, Touro University, New York, US

“Teaching Antisemitism: How to Pierce Timely Rationales to Expose a Timeless Hatred”

Recommended Readings (Goldfeder):

1. Sharansky, Nathan. [“3D Test of Anti-Semitism: Demonization, Double Standards, Delegitimization.”](#) *Jewish Political Studies Review* 16: 3-4 (Fall 2004).
2. IHRA. [“Working Definition of Antisemitism and Examples.”](#) Adopted May 26, 2016.

3. European Commission et al. [*Handbook for the Practical Use of the IHRA Working Definition of Antisemitism*](#). Publications Office, 2021.
4. Goldfeder, Mark. [*"To Defeat Antisemitism, We Must First Define It."*](#) *The Hill*, July 3, 2025.
5. [Source sheet](#) for lecture.

Michal Cotler-Wunsh, Israel's Special Envoy for Antisemitism, Jerusalem, Israel
"The Hijacking and Weaponization of Law to Mainstreaming Antisemitism and Terror"

Recommended Readings (Cotler-Wunsh):

1. Cotler-Wunsh, Michal. "[Combating Antisemitism with Human Rights and International Law](#)." *Academic Engagement Network Pamphlet Series* no. 9 (December 2023).
2. Cotler-Wunsh, Michal. "[Honoring Yom HaShoah: In the Shadow of October 7](#)." *Justice* no. 64 (2025).

Professor Ansel Brown, Fellow, ISGAP; Visiting Assistant Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law, North Carolina, US

"Examining Common Libels Against the Jewish State Under International Law"

Recommended Readings (Brown):

1. International Court of Justice. "[Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip \(South Africa v. Israel\)](#)" (2024).
2. International Court of Justice. "[Legal Consequences Arising from the Policies and Practices of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem](#)" (2024).
3. United Nations. "[Geneva Convention Relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War of 12 August 1949](#)" (1949).
4. United Nations Security Council. "[Resolution 242 \(1967\)](#)" (November 22, 1967).

Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme,

St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Yehudit Barsky, Senior Research Fellow, ISGAP, New York, US

"Neoliberalism and Higher Education: The Privatization of Hate"

Thursday, 7 August 2025

Dr. Charles Asher Small, Founder and Executive Director, ISGAP; Director, ISGAP-Woolf Institute Fellowship Training Programme on Critical Contemporary Antisemitism Studies, St Edmunds College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

"Curriculum Development Workshop – Introduction"

Natan Sharansky, Chair, ISGAP, Jerusalem, Israel

Dr. Benjamin Chavis, Faculty, ISGAP; Executive Director and CEO of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); President and CEO, National Newspaper Publishers Association, Washington, DC, US

"A Tale of Two Movements: Civil Rights, Soviet Jewry, and the Ongoing Struggle Against Hate"

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Dr. Isaac Amon is Lecturer in Law at Washington University School of Law in St. Louis and Director of Academic Research at Jewish Heritage Alliance, a global educational organization dedicated to promoting the legacy of Sefarad, or Jews of the Iberian Peninsula, to the world at large. He graduated summa cum laude in Medieval History with highest honors for his thesis on the Spanish Inquisition. He then earned a JD, LLM in Dispute Resolution and a PhD in Comparative Criminal Law and Procedure, all from Washington University in St. Louis.

A former legal fellow at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in The Hague and an ISIS war crimes investigator, Amon is a grandson of Mizrahi, Sefardi, and Ashkenazi Jewish immigrants to the US in the 20th century. He is published in law review journals, the *Journal of the Missouri Bar*, and frequently lectures to lay and professional audiences in the US and around the world on international criminal justice, legal history, antisemitism, and Jewish memory.



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Dr. Lawrence Amsel, MD, MPH, is the child of Holocaust survivors, which profoundly shaped various aspects of his life journey. He pursued a career as a physician with a focused interest in psychological trauma, alongside strong political commitments and a philosophical outlook. Lawrence received a traditional Yeshiva education, largely in Yiddish, and actively engaged in political activism, particularly through involvement in the Soviet Jewry movement and student support for Israel, which has remained significant throughout his life.

The pleasures of rigorous thinking in Talmud class led him to major in mathematics during his undergraduate studies at Columbia College. Motivated by the moral content of his studies, Lawrence sought to address the emotional pain and turmoil of contemporary life. He completed medical school at Yale, trained in psychiatry and public health, and became a member of the academic faculty at Columbia University. Following 9/11, he co-directed a clinic for the survivors of that terrorist attack. In this capacity, he encountered a large number of traumatized police officers, firefighters, and EMTs, as well as other individuals. This reinforced what he knew as a child of Holocaust survivors, that the aggregated responses of a traumatized population have a very serious impact on their political attitudes and behaviors as well as their mental health.

Lawrence's areas of academic interest have been the long-term effects of psychological trauma on individuals and populations, the applications of models from behavioral economics and game theory to comprehend human behaviors, and the interface of psychiatry and the law. Going forward, Lawrence would like to merge his past scholarship with additional political and philosophical perspectives, in order to better understand the sources and nature of human biases and political distortions, such as those exemplified by contemporary antisemitism and anti-Zionism.



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Yehudah Barlev is the Managing Partner and Founder of Barlev Associates, an accounting and investigative auditing firm. Yehudah worked for various enforcement agencies inside and outside Israel, in wide issues of investigative audits (i.e., forensic accounting, prevention, detection and quantification of corruption, fraud, money laundering, and terror finance) of white-collar offences on a national and global scale in various countries and in civil disputes. Among his substantial projects were the recovery of properties belonging to Holocaust victims in service of both the Knesset's investigation commission and the Governmental Company for Locating and Recovering Holocaust Victims' Properties. He also conducted investigations into the fraud and collapse of the Commerce Bank and handled delicate projects on economic soft power for various governments. Yehudah lectures at numerous academic institutions in Israel and international conventions, specializing in Investigative auditing issues, economic crime, corruption, money laundering, and terror financing. His diverse audience includes government officials, litigators, accountants, bankers, risk and money laundering compliance officers, as well as law enforcement officers. Furthermore, Yehudah is the author of the following books: *The Foundations of Investigative Auditing*, *Par Value*, and *Etty, Bernie and the Fraudsters*, in addition to numerous articles in the field.



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Yehudit Barsky is an ISGAP Senior Research Fellow. She has devoted her career to the study of Islamist terrorist organizations and movements. Specifically interested in the motivations and ideologies driving the global adherents of these organizations, Yehudit has frequently focused on the combination of antisemitism and Islamism that seems to defy Western logic. Fluent in Arabic and Hebrew, She holds a Master's degree in International Relations and Near Eastern Studies and a Bachelor's degree in International Relations and Jewish History and Civilization, both from New York University. With particular interest in the security of the Jewish community, Yehudit has conducted research and led the Division of Middle East and International Terrorism at the American Jewish Committee for fourteen years. She regularly briefs media, law enforcement agencies, and Jewish communities on the implications of terrorism for US policy, serves as senior advisor and Middle East specialist for intelligence and analysis for the Secure Community Network, and is currently authoring a book on the history and ideology of Hamas.



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Eran Benedek is a Senior Analyst in the Research and Analysis Hub of the UK's Community Security Trust (CST), where he focuses on antisemitism, terrorism, and extremism. He has written numerous CST research briefings and assessments on related topics, including global trends in anti-Jewish terrorism, Iranian and Hezbollah terrorist methods, and lessons learned from terrorist attacks. Eran manages CST's terrorism databases and its monthly *Threat Update*, a unique newsletter rounding up key developments in terrorism and extremism. His articles have been published in *CTC Sentinel* (West Point), the *Jewish Political Studies Review*, and *Foreign Policy*, and by the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT). Eran holds an MSc in Nationalism and Ethnicity from the London School of Economics.

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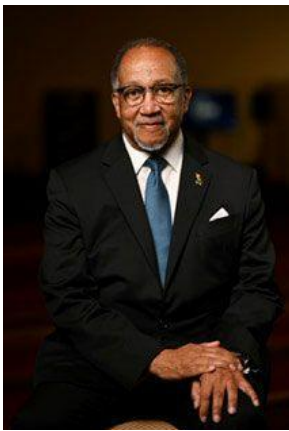
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Nimrod's most recent film, *October 8*, the feature documentary about the explosion of antisemitism on college campuses, on social media and in the streets of America in the aftermath of Hamas's attack on Israel on October 7, 2023, opened theatrically across the United States in March 2024. He joined Wendy Sachs early on in the production and served as a writer, producer, and editor. He also worked closely with Wendy in the global distribution of the film screening around the world in Australia, Mexico, Canada, Israel, and the United Kingdom. Together with Wendy, he formed The October 8 Foundation to support the film's education and impact campaigns and produce their follow-up documentary film *Poison Ivy* and other film and TV projects.

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Throughout the past five decades, Harris has played a pivotal role in shaping critical global issues – from the rescue of Ethiopian Jewry and Soviet Jewry (including two detentions by Soviet authorities) to helping expand Israel’s diplomatic footprint throughout the world, his contributions have been far-reaching. Harris has been committed to preserving Holocaust memory, exploring new relationships in the Arab and larger Muslim world, supporting an end to communism in Eastern Europe, advocating for NATO expansion, combating global antisemitism, and promoting interfaith dialogue and understanding. He is also the author of several books, as well as hundreds of op-eds and articles on global Jewish issues in leading media outlets around the world.

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Medoff has authored over 20 books, including *The Historical Dictionary of Zionism*, and contributed extensively to major reference works such as the *Encyclopedia Judaica*. His scholarship explores the intersections of Holocaust history, Zionism, and American Jewish experience, emphasizing the critical role played by U.S. policy decisions. Medoff has taught and lectured at numerous American universities and serves on the Committee on Ethics in Jewish Leadership, advocating for democratic values, accountability, and transparency within Jewish organizations.

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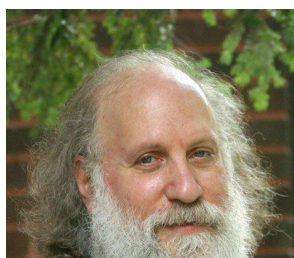
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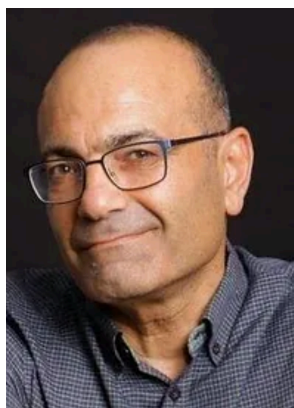


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Charles is committed to creating scholarly programming and research on contemporary antisemitism at top tier universities internationally and establishing contemporary antisemitism studies as a recognized academic discipline. Charles is currently leading an international research project on the impact of soft power and undocumented funding on higher education as it pertains to antisemitism. Charles also has a human rights advocacy background, including being the Chair of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Ethiopian Jewry, Montreal, and served as the Chair of the African National Congress Solidarity Committee of Canada.



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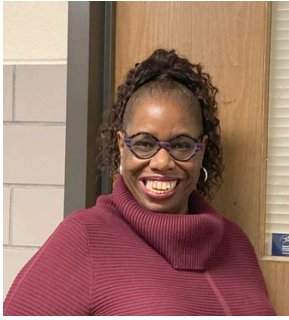


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His past research dealt with antisemitism among the American far right, antisemitism on social media, the connections between antisemitism and anti-Americanism, and the role of antisemitism and anti-Americanism in discourse about European and German identity. His current studies focus on antisemitic responses to the Hamas attacks on Israel of October 7, 2023, and the events surrounding it.



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David Pickus is from Chicago and wrote his PhD on German intellectual history. He taught humanities at Arizona State University and world history in Beijing and Hangzhou, China. He currently lives in Da Nang and teaches at The American University in Vietnam. He is starting to write a history of the historiography of antisemitism, or the ways that different scholars told the history of antisemitism and advanced ways to combat it.

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Marcus Roberts is the Founder and Director of JTrails, creating Jewish Heritage and Holocaust trails in the UK, the Channel Islands, and NW France. His work involves collaborating with communities to preserve and conserve Jewish heritage, ensuring its significance and history are cherished and shared with future generations. He is particularly active in campaigning for the inclusion of the Holocaust in national memory in the Channel Islands and Alderney, despite official resistance to acknowledge the Holocaust on British soil. JTrails is the UK leg of the

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Dr. Josh Roose is an Associate Professor of Politics at the Alfred Deakin Institute for Citizenship and Globalisation at Deakin University, Melbourne, and is an internationally recognized authority on contemporary violent extremism. His scholarship maps the ideological ecosystems of the extreme right and explores convergences with far-left, Islamist, and misogynist actors, highlighting shared anti-Jewish narratives and threats to liberal democracy. He currently leads an

Australian Research Council project on pathways into online hate and has recently completed a government-commissioned study of emerging terrorist threats and target selection in Australia. His research directly informs both counter-terrorism and social policy aimed at preventing antisemitic violence and rhetoric.

Josh has advised local, state, and federal government departments, including the Australian Attorney-General’s Department, Department of Home Affairs, and the Australian Federal Police. He has briefed the FBI and international counter-terrorism leaders on extremist trends and has provided expert witness testimony in multiple terrorism-related legal proceedings. He has presented his work to NATO, the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism, and other leading international institutions, and has held visiting appointments at New York University and Harvard.

Frequently cited in national and international media, including *The New York Times*, *BBC*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *ABC*, and *The Guardian*, Josh brings together legal, political, and sociological perspectives to offer evidence-based insights that advance Critical Antisemitism Studies and support democratic resilience.

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Dr. Steven Samols is an incoming Postdoctoral Fellow in the ISGAP-Woolf Institute Programme for Critical Antisemitism Studies. Dr. Samols' research explores the importance of photography to European Jewish identity and representation. He is currently a Rothschild Postdoctoral Fellow at University College London's Department of Hebrew and Jewish Studies. Dr. Samols received his PhD from the Department of History at the University of Southern California in 2023. He also holds an MSc in European Studies from the London School of Economics and Political Science (2016) and a BA from New York

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Anthony Small is a director of the Northfield Foundation, the largest charitable fund fighting antisemitism in Australia. He holds a double degree BA/LLB in Philosophy and Law (1st in class) from the University of Sydney and has worked as a legal professional in top-tier commercial and human rights firms and also in a range of capacities as a policy advisor for government ministers and NGOs. He currently works with a number of early stage technology companies in the private sector as an

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Ariana Mizrahi (Solovey) is a teacher, writer, educational leader, and doctoral candidate in Educational Leadership and Innovation at the Azrieli Graduate School of Jewish Education and Administration at Yeshiva University in New York City. Originally from Buenos Aires, Argentina, Ariana brings a rich and diverse perspective to her work, proudly embracing her identity as a Hispanic Jew.

She currently serves as the Hebrew Language Coordinator at Yeshiva Har Torah in Little Neck, NY. Prior to this role, she served for ten years as Principal of the Jewish Youth Connection Hebrew School in New York City, where she shaped meaningful educational experiences for hundreds of students and families.

Ariana is the author of the children's books *The Blue Butterfly of Cochin* and *Super Cactus*. *The Blue Butterfly of Cochin* has received wide acclaim—it was named a Finalist by the Jewish Book Council, received an Honorable Mention from the Middle East Outreach Council, was featured in the PJ Library in May 2025, and included in Bank Street College of Education's Best Children's Books of the Year 2025 Edition, which highlights exceptional titles published in 2024. Through her storytelling and educational leadership, Ariana explores themes of identity, resilience, and the beauty of cultural diversity, inspiring students and readers to embrace their heritage, foster empathy, and connect across differences.

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Dr. Lori Sousa Meixell, PhD, LCSW, is a Professor of Social Work and Director of the BSW Social Work Program at Roberts Wesleyan University. She holds a PhD from Baylor University, where her research explored the intersection of spirituality, values, and their implications for

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Dr. Sousa Meixell's scholarly interests center on human rights in social work education, social policy practice, and the study of antisemitism. Her recent work includes a national landscape study of accredited social work programs in the United States, examining institutional responses to the safety and inclusion of Jewish students, faculty, and community members during the 2023–2024 academic year, following the events of October 7. She is the author of the forthcoming chapter “Can Social Justice Be Unjust?” addressing antisemitism in social work and co-editor of a special issue on antisemitism and social work for the *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*. She is a member of the Academic Engagement Network (AEN) and the Faculty Against Antisemitism Movement (FAAM).

In addition to her research, Dr. Sousa Meixell designed a university-accredited, on-location course in Israel, offering students an immersive academic experience in the region's complex socio-political, economic, and cultural context. Through her teaching, research, and program leadership, Dr. Sousa Meixell is committed to advancing inclusive, values-informed, and justice-oriented social work education.



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Sterling currently teaches “Canadian Jewish History and Socio-Cultural Perspectives of Canadian Jewish Communities” at University College, University of Toronto. In 2024, She was awarded the 2024 Superior Graduate Student Course Instructor Award by the Faculty of Arts and Science in recognition of her contributions to teaching and curriculum development.



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Jennifer Sutton has dedicated her career to strengthening the US-Israel relationship. Since 2014, she has served as the founding Executive Director of the Council for a Secure America (CSA), a non-partisan, non-profit, 501(c)3 organization focused on educating on the critical importance of the US-Israel relationship, energy security, and the role that the Abraham Accords play in bolstering America's national security. Since October 7, CSA has compiled and released a constantly updated, open-source, and hyperlinked Israel-Hamas War Report on the Israel-Hamas war – the only report of its kind.

Jennifer regularly briefs policymakers, staffers, and industry leaders across the country on the US-Israel relationship, energy security, and the Abraham Accords. She also leads high-level delegations to key US energy producing states, Israel, and the broader Middle East. Previously, Jennifer served as Director of External Relations and Social Secretary to Ambassador Michael Oren at the Embassy of Israel in Washington, DC, where she led targeted outreach through cultural and strategic engagement. She has also consulted for startups, family offices, and nonprofit organizations, and is actively involved in Jewish and pro-Israel philanthropy. Jennifer is a member of the Global Leaders Initiative of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) and the Jewish Diplomatic Corps of the World Jewish Congress (WJC). She was selected for the ROI Schusterman Summit in 2018 and is involved in the Emerging Leaders cohort of the Jewish Book Council. Jennifer holds a BA in Politics from Washington and Lee University and an MA in Government from Johns Hopkins University. She is proficient in French and Hebrew and is a proud native New Yorker.



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Marla Topiol is an engaging educator, passionate historian of Jewish history, and dedicated community builder. Her professional background includes community relations, combating antisemitism, and Israel education and advocacy. Marla holds a Bachelor's degree in History from the College of Charleston and a Master's degree in European Jewish History from Queen Mary University of London. Her research interests span a broad range of topics, including Holocaust

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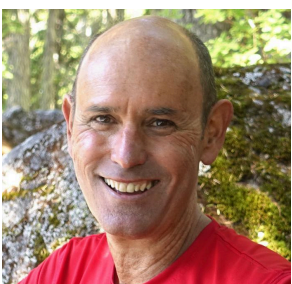
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August Watters is a multi-stylistic, improvising guitarist, mandolinist, composer/arranger, and teacher based in Boston and the Pacific Northwest (Oregon). His work as an interpreter, improviser, composer and arranger bridges contemporary classical music, jazz, folk music traditions, and the historical concert mandolin repertoire. He is the founder of the New England Mandolin Ensemble and the Festival of Mandolin Chamber Music. Watters taught at Boston's Berklee College of Music for 18 years, earning the rank of Professor of Ear Training. He is now a full-time performer, composer, and conductor specializing in music for mandolin and mandolin ensembles.



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David Witus is a retired attorney who worked in the corporate world, for major entertainment and consumer software companies, in Los Angeles and Seattle for over 25 years. David has independently researched and published on issues relating to Israel, nationalism, and antisemitism for over 40 years. He has a BA in History from the University of Florida, where he received the undergraduate History Prize for his honors thesis on Zionism's formation as a mass movement in

Russia in the late 19th century. His current work has focused mainly on the intellectual development of anti-Zionist ideology, as well as ongoing controversies over the use of the IHRA definition of antisemitism, and the K-12 "liberated" ethnic studies movement in the United States. David has also spent considerable time researching the emergence of the contemporary

concept of “anti-racism.” Apart from ongoing activist work, his highest priority this year is to complete his book-length manuscript on the purpose and validity of the concept of Palestinian indigeneity in the context of anti-Israel narratives of “Zionist settler-colonialism.”



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Dr. Melvin L. Williams is an Associate Professor of Communication and Media Studies at Pace University, where he teaches undergraduate courses in critical media studies, popular culture, and race and ethnicity in the media. A native of Memphis, Tennessee, Dr. Williams earned his PhD in communication, culture, and media studies and a graduate certificate in women’s studies from Howard University, as well as his bachelor and master’s degrees from Tennessee State University. An award-winning communication scholar, he examines the intersections of race, gender, and sexuality in popular culture. Dr. Williams has published research in peer-reviewed books and journals, including *Celebrity Studies*; *Feminist Theory and Pop Culture*; *Howard Journal of Communications*; *Journal of Radio and Audio Media*; *Popular Culture Studies Journal*; *Race, Gender, and Class: The Journal*; *Spectrum: A Journal on Black Men*, *The Journal of Hip-Hop Studies*; *The Journal of Sports Media*; and *Women and Music: A Journal of Gender and Culture*. An internationally recognized, cultural commentator and public writer, Dr. Williams offers critical analyses of Hip-Hop, LGBTQ politics, and popular culture for media outlets such as *ABC News Impact x Nightline*, *Associated Press*, *CBS News*, *Huffington Post*, *Lithuanian TV*, *NBCLX*, *NBC Universal*, *Newsweek*, *NPR*, *Tokyo Newspaper*, *USA Today*, *Washington Blade*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *Vox*. In 2022, Dr. Williams made history as the first Black and LGBTQ+ faculty member to earn tenure in the Department of Communication and Media Studies at Pace University.



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Yang Meng is Assistant Professor at Peking University and the founder of the general education courses “Jewish Civilization in a Global Context” and “Yiddish Language and Jewish Culture” in China. Her doctoral research focused on the Jewish community in Shanghai during the Shoah. Additionally, she is recognized for her musical contributions as the singer and co-writer of the first Chinese-Yiddish song, which was published by *Forward*. She pioneered the first Yiddish language course in China. Meng has been a fellow at prestigious institutions such as Yad Vashem (Israel), Salzburg Global Seminar (Austria), the Tikvah Fund (US), and Kathryn Davis (US).



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Professor Ghil'ad Zuckermann (DPhil Oxford; PhD Cambridge, titular) is a world-renowned linguist and founder of Revivalistics, the transdisciplinary field of language reclamation. Named one of Australia’s top 30 “living legends of research” by *The Australian* (2024), he received the Rubinlicht Prize for Yiddish scholarship in 2023. He is Professor at Flinders University and Adjunct Professor at Australian Catholic University, with visiting appointments at institutions including Middlebury College and the Weizmann Institute of Science. Zuckermann is the author of *Revivalistics* (Oxford, 2020), *Israelit Safa Yafa* (2008), and

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Olivia has just finished her final year studying history in Liverpool. She comes from a military family, meaning that she moves every two to three years, sometimes overseas. This has given her a broad interest in global history, which was further sparked at university when undertaking a module in the Middle East during her second year. In her third year, she pursued a module in antisemitism, leading her to write a briefing paper on how Holocaust denial on social media influences children. Olivia has recently completed a dissertation researching the topic of Nazi-influenced antisemitism in the Middle East. Aside from university, she is passionate about Jewish history, shown through her advocational work volunteering at The Together Plan. At The Together Plan, Olivia works as an archive services case worker, helping others to uncover their family genealogy.



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Ezra Galperin is a rising Junior at Cornell University, studying Government and Jewish Studies. He is very involved in Jewish life at Cornell, serving as Vice President of Communications for the Center for Jewish Living and as President of the Orthodox minyan. He is also heavily involved in campus political life, serving as a Representative-At-Large on the Cornell Student Assembly and as Political Action Chair for Cornellians for Israel. In his free time, Ezra loves watching soccer and Star Wars. He's a huge Arsenal fan and loves going down the rabbit hole of Star Wars lore.



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Dori Jezmir is a recent graduate of the University of Kansas, where she earned a degree in Marketing with a minor in Business Analytics and a certificate in Professional Selling. A dynamic campus leader, Dori founded the Jewish Business Club, the Mental Health Advocacy Board, and Students Supporting Israel (SSI), each with a mission to empower and uplift her peers. Through SSI, Dori was at the forefront of pro-Israel activism. She organized events that brought survivors of the October 7 attacks to campus, led peaceful counter-protests in response to antisemitic demonstrations, and actively addressed rising antisemitism by speaking in student senate and engaging lawmakers at the Kansas State Capitol. As founder of the Jewish Business Club, Dori invited successful Jewish professionals to share their journeys, offering students mentorship and insight into thriving careers. With the Mental Health Advocacy Board, she helped bridge the gap between students and critical campus resources, focusing on de-stigmatization and access to support.

Dori was also a BICEP Fellow for Hillel, where she developed Israel programming in collaboration with Birthright. In addition, she served on the Chabad board throughout all four years of college, holding leadership roles focused on mental health, freshman engagement, and community-building through social events. She currently holds internships with both Chabad

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Mollie Neal is a graduate from Liverpool John Moores University with a degree in History and English Literature. Her dissertation, titled “Palestine from the River to the Sea – That’s the Slogan of American Students: Leftist Identity, Moral Purity, and the Rise of Acceptable Antisemitism,” theorized how the American New Left constructed an approach to politics that facilitated antisemitism. This theoretical framework was applied through critical analysis of perceptions regarding the Israel-Palestine conflict in the wake of October 7. Recently she presented research analyzing antisemitic discourses within feminist responses to sexual violence during October 7 at the

UCLA Younes and Soraya Nazarian Center for Israel Studies 7th Undergraduate Scholars Conference, as well as completing Fighting Online Antisemitism’s Online Activist Fellowship, which is dedicated to combating Holocaust denial and distortion across social media platforms.



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Amir Pagis grew up in Jerusalem and gained experience in Jewish education, community building, and coexistence. He founded a social initiative that promoted dialogue and understanding between Jewish and Arab students in Jerusalem schools endorsed by the Israeli Ministry of Education. Before his military service, Amir studied for a year at the Shalom Hartman Institute together with youth from Israel and North America, focusing on Jewish thought and geopolitics, and interned with Knesset member Merav Michaeli. Currently, after completing his IDF service, he continues to be involved in educational initiatives in

Jerusalem. In September 2025, Amir is expected to begin a one-year position as a Jewish Agency emissary in Toronto. In cooperation with the JCC and the Jewish community, he will promote Jewish education through educational initiatives focused on personal identity. Through ISGAP, Amir is interested in deepening his understanding of contemporary antisemitism by exploring Israel’s identity as a Jewish and democratic state, and how this identity is expressed in antisemitic discourse toward Israel and Jews in general. He aims to gain tools to create meaningful educational initiatives that confront antisemitism and its many forms in an ever-changing world.

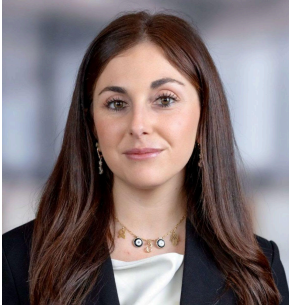


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Talia Rockman is an MA student in Sociology at the University of Guelph. Talia is a Research Assistant for several research projects related to campus antisemitism and its impacts, specifically with regards to EDI, mental health, academic freedom, faculty union activism. Her MA thesis involves a secondary data analysis using sociological frameworks and theories to understand professors’ experiences with antisemitism on Canadian campuses. She has presented her research on the parallels between misogyny and antisemitism, and the intersection of the two, at the 2025 Contemporary Antisemitism Conference in London and at the Antisemitism Symposium at Brock University in Ontario, Canada.

Talia intends to pursue a PhD in Sociology to study how postgraduate students have navigated post-October 7 campus culture and peer and faculty mentorships at their institutions.



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Sabrina Soffer is an American-Israeli Jewish author, advocate, and speaker. She currently works at the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (ISGAP) in Washington, DC, and is a cohort member of the Israeli President's Voice of the People Initiative. She previously contributed to Congressional investigations into campus antisemitism led by the House Committee on Education and the Workforce and conducted policy research at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies. A former chair of Hillel International's Content Creators Program, she is also a frequent media contributor, with work featured across various platforms and archived on her Substack, Sincerely Scribed. In November 2023, she addressed an audience of 300,000 at the American March for Israel in Washington, DC. Sabrina is the author of *My Mother's Mirror* and contributed an essay to *Young Zionist Voices*. She recently graduated from The George Washington University with a double major in Philosophy (Public Affairs Focus) and Judaic Studies, where she served as Commissioner of the Student Government's Antisemitism Task Force and President of Chabad at GW.



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Goni Wong is a high school junior at The Greenhill School in Addison, Texas, having previously attended The Roeper School in Michigan. Goni is a historically minded student – someone who has devoted significant time to exploring diverse histories and international affairs – who is also Israeli. The past 18 months since October 7 have transformed his intellectual passions into real-world projects aimed at combating antisemitism through holistic historical understanding and constructive dialogue. Currently, Goni is pursuing a capstone project, structured around the Future Problem Solving six-step framework, that tackles these issues head-on. The project's central focus is exploring the subjective nature of the competing historical narratives surrounding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and examining how these narratives shape and inform radically opposing viewpoints on current-day affairs through constructive dialogue and historical nuance. Still in its early stages, this work includes collaborative research with UIUC on “certainty trap” dynamics in Israel/Gaza discourse, engagement with the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum, an Israel-specific Viewpoint Diversity Workshop with the Mill Institute, as well as online advocacy efforts.



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Giovanni Lahav Zhīrán Zuckermann currently studies at Glenunga International High School (GIHS) in Adelaide, Australia. He was selected in the merit-based Ignite program for “gifted students and talented students” and will pursue the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program. In GIHS, he was elected as chair of the International Mindedness Council – GIHS's predominant student society. Through this leadership, he attended the GH Rits Global Summit in early February 2025 – a world peace conference – held in Kyoto, Japan, where he collaborated with high school representatives from Hawaii, Japan, the Philippines, and Taiwan. He is also closely involved in coordinating visits from six international delegations to GIHS in 2025, including from Japan and Réunion Island.

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Sydney Cyvier Arnold is the UK Programme Director at ISGAP. Before joining ISGAP, Arnold was the Lead Researcher on the 7 October Parliamentary Commission Report, chaired by Lord Roberts of Belgravia for the All-Party UK-Israel Parliamentary Group. Alongside Lord Roberts, Arnold conducted field research in the aftermath of the 7 October terrorist attacks in Israel and also served as a Parliamentary Assistant in the House of Lords. Arnold studied European History with a specialization in the Age of Revolution and produced an undergraduate thesis on Jewish assimilation during the 1848 French Revolution. Arnold studied International Conflict Studies at King's College London, conducting Masters dissertation research on Satanic Neo-Nazi terrorist networks' infiltration into the US military.



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Zahava Feldstein earned a MA in Divinity from the University of Chicago, where she received the Divinity Dean's Fellowship and a Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Award, and a second MA from Stanford University, where she was a Jim Joseph Doctoral Fellow in Education & Jewish Studies. Her research focuses on contemporary antisemitism, the evolution of Jewish studies in academia, and the intersections of ethnic studies and Jewish identity. An experienced educator, researcher, and writer, Zahava has contributed to leading publications such as the *Times of Israel*, the *Journal of Contemporary Antisemitism*, and *Moment Magazine*. Her work bridges rigorous scholarship with public engagement, ensuring ISGAP's network remains at the forefront of critical conversations on global antisemitism. With expertise in research, curriculum development, and strategic planning, she leads initiatives to strengthen faculty and alumni engagement, foster scholarly discourse, and enhance professional development opportunities among ISGAP's global network of faculty, alumni, and fellows.



Harriet Jackson, Director of Academic Affairs and Programming

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Harriet is responsible for creating new scholarly programming that will showcase ISGAP's world-class status as a premier research center. Harriet was trained as a French historian and brings more than 25 years of experience in higher education to ISGAP. Her eclectic career began with teaching Western Civilization at NYU, presenting research on the world wars and the Holocaust at scholarly conferences in the US and France, and overseeing the education publishing market's first online history resources (published by Columbia University and Gale/Cengage) in tandem with world-renowned historians. Harriet wore many hats while working at Columbia University and Teachers College. She conceptualized innovative scholarly programming that spotlighted new directions for research (e.g., the Holocaust's reach in North Africa and the role played by Jewish rescue organizations) and brought attention to threats to the West and the rise of antisemitism in the US. She developed and participated in many transatlantic workshops with scholars (e.g., historians, specialists on memory, constitutional lawyers and civic experts), as well as high school teachers and students, primarily from France and the US, to compare racism and antisemitism in both countries.

**Noah Krasman**

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Noah Krasman is a writer, researcher, and graduate of the Weiss-Livnat International MA Program in Holocaust Studies at the University of Haifa. Noah was a Research Assistant in the international project, "Sites of Tension: Shifts in Holocaust Memory, Antisemitism, and Political Contestation in Europe," which focused on contemporary antisemitism and Holocaust memory discourse in the UK and Europe. In May 2023, he published an article in the *Journal of Genocide Research*: "The Paradox of Genocide in Modern Russia: Evolving Narratives of the Siege of

Leningrad During the 'Great Patriotic Operation.'" He recently completed his MA thesis, "Longing for Despair: Judeopessimism and Jewish Identity Formation in the 21st Century." He has since presented on various topics across Europe. At ISGAP, Noah oversees website and content management and assists in the planning and logistics of our various programs as Data Manager and Program Associate.

**MEDIA TEAM****Will Dawson**

RAW Pictures, Camera crew

RAW Pictures have been tasked with documenting the entire ISGAP Summer Institute on camera for promotional and informative use online. Will is the Creative Director at RAW Pictures, heading up all the

filming and editing for RAW and their clients. Will is a great believer in working with not for profits and charitable organizations to create engaging video content to help them.

**Will Littlewood**

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RAW Pictures have been tasked with documenting the entire ISGAP Summer Institute on camera for promotional and informative use online. Will is the head of production at RAW, managing all projects that come into the business and working with clients to ensure they're happy with the films they receive. Will has worked with ISGAP in the past and looks forward to another successful year at the Summer Institute.