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**Academic Positions**      **Lecturer, Philosophy and Literature Initiative, Stanford Philosophy Department**      2017-present  
**Postdoctoral Fellow, McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society, Stanford University**      2015-2017

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**Education**      **Ph.D. in Philosophy, Harvard University**      June 2015

Dissertation: "Loving, Valuing, Regretting, and Being Oneself"

My dissertation examines facets of the rationality of attachment, including the rationality of love, valuation, regret, and loss. In the first part, I explain how one might be rationally attached to a particular as such. In the second, I give an account of rational regret, according to which one's regret and sense of loss reflect one's attachments. The two accounts dissolve a range of puzzles that result, I argue, from the conflation of distinct kinds of attachment-related reasons.

Committee Chair: T. M. Scanlon

Qualifying Paper: "Justice and the End of Society" (2011)

Advisor: T. M. Scanlon

**A.B. in Philosophy, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem**      2007

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**Areas of Specialization**      **Ethics, Political Philosophy**

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**Areas of Competence**      **Applied Ethics, Philosophy and Literature, Existentialism**

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**Academic Publications**      "Can We Intend the Past?" *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, Forthcoming.  
"Reasons of Love: A Case Against Universalism About Practical Reason," *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society*, CX, No. 3, October 2015, pp. 315-322.  
"Social Justice," in *Israeli Social Protest: Political Lexicon 2011-*, ed. Ariel Hendel (Hakibutz HaMe'uhad, 2013), pp. 309-319 (Hebrew).  
"The Rise and Fall of the Bleeding Hearts: A Reading in *Soldiers' Talk* and *Breaking the Silence* [two collections of Israeli soldiers' testimonials]," *Theory and Criticism* 33, 2008, pp. 225-238 (Hebrew).

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**Long-Form Essays**      "Choosing Violence," *Boston Review*, July/August 2016, pp. 56-61.  
"Political Faith," *The Point*, Winter 2016, 137-145.  
"Mortal Risks: The Possibility of Self-Sacrifice," *Boston Review*, March/April 2014, pp. 45-53. Chinese translation in *On Death*, forthcoming by Hainan Press. (Included in *The Best American Essays* list of Notable Essays and Literary Nonfiction of 2014)

“The Checkpoint: Terror, Power, Cruelty,” *Boston Review*, July/August 2012, pp. 38-45 (most read *BR* article in 2012). German translation in *Zenith*, November/December 2012, pp. 14-27; Italian translation in *Internazionale*, February 2013, pp. 96-101.

**Edited  
Volume**

*Our Harsh Logic: Israeli Soldiers’ Testimonies from the Occupied Territories 2000-2010*, Breaking the Silence, ed. Mikhael Manekin, Avichai Sharon, Yanay Israeli, Oded Na’aman, Levi Spectre (Metropolitan Press, September 2012) (also published in Hebrew, German, French, Dutch, and Swedish).

**Other  
Publications  
(selected)**

“Is Gaza Outside Israel?” *Tomdispatch.com*, November 2012 (republished in *The Nation*, *Mother Jones*, *Le Monde Diplomatique*, *Guernica*, *The Huffington Post*).

“How Central Is Land for Peace?” co-authored with Mikhael Manekin, *Foreign Affairs*, November/December 2011.

“Israel Needs the Truth about Cast Lead,” *The Guardian*, July 2009.

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**Work in  
Progress**

“Regret and Repair” draft available

“The Most Basic Regret” draft available

“Should Grief Have No End?” draft available

“Moral Presence Before the Law: The Case of the Group at the Fence” draft available

“A Distinction in Love” draft available

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**Awards,  
Honors,  
Fellowships**

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society, Stanford University 2015-2017

Notable Essays and Literary Nonfiction of 2014, in *Best American Essay* ed. Ariel Levy 2015

Edmond J. Safra Graduate Fellowship in Ethics, Harvard University 2013-2014

Research Fellowship from Harvard University Philosophy Department Spring 2013

George Santayana Grant from Harvard University Philosophy Department (language studies) Summer 2011

Graduate Prize Fellowship, Harvard University 2008-2013

Gates Cambridge Scholarship (declined) 2008-2010

Shmaryahu Rivyer Award for Excellence in the Study of Philosophy, Hebrew University 2007

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**Presentations  
and  
Conferences**

“Moral Presence Before the Law,” at *Undocumented: Belonging and Exclusion in the Age of Transnationalism*, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, May 2017 (Invited talk)

“Regretting with Time,” Stanford Varieties of Agency Workshop, December 2016 (Invited talk)

“A Distinction in Love,” Stanford Political Theory Workshop, October 2015

“Religious Conviction and the Necessity of War,” Wars of Religion: Past and Present, an Interdisciplinary Conference, Princeton University, April 2015 (Invited talk)

“Reasons of Love: A Case against Universalism about Practical Reason,” The 88th Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, Postgraduate Session, July 11, 2014

“The Impossibility of Decent Military Rule,” National Character and Leadership Symposium, Center for Character and Leadership Development, US Air Force Academy, February 26, 2014

“Ways of Regret: Rawls on Goodness, Regret, and Self-Reproach,” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, January 27, 2014

“The Reemergence of Specific Value: Aiming, Valuing, Conserving, and Loving,” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, December 4, 2013

“Conflict and Loss,” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, March 25, 2013

**Discussant:** “Comments on Howard Nye’s ‘The Value of Neutral Experience,’” Eastern APA, December 2012

“Optional Choices and Existential Reasons,” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, November 2012

“Optional Choices, Personal Attachments, and Practical Reason,” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, March 2013

“Why Not Be Moral?” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, December 2011

“Why Not Be Moral?” Harvard-MIT Eminees reading group, October 2011

“Stand and Fall Together: Soldiers and Political Freedom,” Harvard Humanities Center Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, April 2011

**Co-organizer:** “Soldiering: The Afterlife of a Modern Experience,” Harvard Humanities Center Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, April 2011

“Justice and the End of Society,” Harvard Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy, February 2011

“Soldier,” The Sixth Lexical Conference for Critical Political Thought, Tel-Aviv University, Israel. January 2011

“The Checkpoint,” Annual Conference of the Association for Israel Studies, University of Toronto, Canada. May 2010

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**Teaching and  
Research  
Experience**

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| <b>Lecturer,</b> “On What Is Intolerable,” Stanford University<br><i>Syllabus design; assignments; lectures and discussion; guidance of teaching assistance</i>             | Spring 2018 |
| <b>Lecturer,</b> “Philosophy, Literature, and the Arts Core Seminar,” Stanford University<br>Graduate level, co-taught with Prof. Blakey Vermeule of the English Department | Winter 2018 |
| <b>Lecturer,</b> “Contemporary Moral Problems,” Stanford University<br><i>Syllabus design; assignments; lectures and discussion; guidance of teaching assistance</i>        | Spring 2017 |
| <b>Lecturer,</b> “Contemporary Moral Problems,” Stanford University   | Winter 2016 |
| <b>Co-organizer,</b> Moral Philosophy Reading Group, Stanford University  | 2016/17     |
| <b>Advisor,</b> postdoctoral adviser, Undergraduate Honors Program in Ethics  | 2015/16     |
| <b>Teaching Fellow,</b> “Responsibilities of Public Action,” Christopher Robichaud,<br>Harvard Kennedy School   | Fall 2012   |
| <b>Teaching Fellow,</b> “Equality and Liberty,” T. M. Scanlon, Harvard College  | Spring 2012 |
| <b>Teaching Fellow,</b> “Self, Freedom, and Existence,” Richard Moran, Harvard College  | Fall 2011   |

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| <b>Teaching Fellow</b> , “Human Rights: A Philosophical Introduction,” Mathias Risse,<br>Harvard College       | Spring 2011 |
| <b>Teaching Fellow</b> , “Responsibilities of Public Action,” Christopher Robichaud,<br>Harvard Kennedy School | Fall 2010   |
| <b>Teaching Assistant</b> , Moshe Halbertal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem,<br>Department of Philosophy       | 2007        |
| <b>Philosophy teacher</b> for the 11th and 12th grade, “HAREL” High-School,<br>Mevaseret-Zion, Israel          | 2005-2008   |

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| <b>Graduate Level<br/>Coursework<br/>and<br/>Reading Groups</b> | Philosophy and Literature Reading Group, led by Richard Moran, Elaine Scarry, and<br>Philip Fisher, 2009-2014      |
|   | Speech and Intersubjectivity: Seminar, Richard Moran, Fall 2012 (audited)  |
|   | Philosophy and Literature: Proust, Richard Moran, Spring 2012 (audited)  |
|   | The Moral Sentiments: Seminar, David Sussman, Spring 2012 (audited)  |
|   | Punishment and Social Justice, T. M. Scanlon and Tommie Shelby, Fall 2011 (audited)                                |
|   | The History of Modern Moral Philosophy, Christine Korsgaard, Fall 2010 (audited)                                   |
|   | Hegel and Kant, Matthew Boyle, Spring 2010   |
|   | The Later Philosophy of Wittgenstein, Warren Goldfarb, Spring 2010 (audited)                                       |
|   | The Rationalists, Jeffrey McDonough, Fall 2009   |
|   | Quine: Seminar, Warren Goldfarb, Fall 2009   |
|   | Kant’s Ethical Theory, Christine Korsgaard, Fall 2009 (audited)  |
|   | The Pragmatists, Peter Godfrey-Smith, Spring 2009  |
|   | Topics in Intersubjectivity: Seminar, Richard Moran and Douglas Lavin, Spring 2009                                 |
|   | Philosophy of Action: Seminar, Christine Korsgaard, Spring 2009 (audited)  |
|   | First Year Colloquium: Practical Philosophy, Douglas Lavin, Spring 2009  |
|   | First Year Colloquium: Contemporary and Historical Debates on Causality, Ned Hall<br>and Alison Simmons, Fall 2008 |
| Philosophy of Biology, Peter Godfrey-Smith, Fall 2008           |  |
| Metaethics, Selim Berker, Fall 2008                             |  |
| Aristotle on Justice: Seminar, Gisela Striker, Fall 2008        |  |

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| <b>Languages</b> | English (fluent); Hebrew (native speaker); German (beginner) |
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## References

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