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**Education:**

B.A. Tel-Aviv University, General History.

M.I.A. Columbia University.

Ph.D. Political Science, the Hebrew University (with distinction).

**Teaching:**

1990-2000- Lecturer, Political Science Department, Hebrew University.

1999-2006 – Senior Lecturer, Department of Political Studies and Department of Middle East Studies, Bar-Ilan University.

2007-2011- Associate Professor, Department of Political Studies and Department of Middle East Studies, Bar-Ilan University.

2012 – Professor, Department of Political Studies and Department of Middle East Studies, Bar-Ilan University.

**Other professional pursuits:**

Senior Research Associate, the Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies, Bar-Ilan University.

**List of Publications**

***Books (as author)***

*Israel’s Security and its Arab Citizens* (New York and London: Cambridge University Press, 2011).

*The Palestinian Military: Between Militias and Armies* (London: Routledge, 2008). 216 pp.

*Countdown to Statehood: Palestinian State Formation in the West Bank and Gaza* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 1998). 212 pp.

Paul King, Daniel Elazar, Orli HaCohen and Hillel Frisch, *Project Renewal in Israel: Revitalization Through Partnership* (New York: University Press of America, 1987). 188 pp.

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*Stagnation and Frontier: Arab and Jewish Industry in the West Bank* (Jerusalem: The West Bank Project, 1983). 90 pp.

**Edited books**

Hillel Frisch and Efraim Inbar (eds) *Islamic Radicalism and International Security: Challenges and Response* (London: Routledge, 2008). Also appeared in paperback edition 2009.

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“Ethnicity, Territorial Integrity, and Regional Order: Palestinian Identity in Jordan and Israel,” *Journal of Peace Research*, vol. 34, no. 3 (August 1997), pp. 257-269 (double column)

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“Between Diffusion and Territorial Consolidation in Rebellion: Striking at the Hard Core of the Intifada*,” Terrorism and Political Violence*, vol. 3, no. 4 (Winter 1991), pp. 39‑62.

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*Hamas: A Social Welfare Government or War Machine?*  (BESA, 2015 <http://besacenter.org/mideast-security-and-policy-studies/9483/>

*The ISIS Challenge in Syria: Implications for Israeli Security*  (BESA, May 8, 2016) <http://besacenter.org/mideast-security-and-policy-studies/isis-challenge-syria-implications-israeli-security/>

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**Reviewer for Refereed Journals**

*American Political Science Review*

*Armed Forces and Society*

*Comparative Political Studies*

*Comparative Politics*

*Conflict Quarterly*

*Democratization*

*Ethnic and Racial Studies*

*Israel Affairs*

*International Sociology*

*International Studies Quarterly*

*Israel Sociology*

*Journal of Peace Research*

*Nationalism and Ethnic Politics*

*Nations and Nationalism*

*Political Psychology*

*Terrorism and Political Violence*

**Courses Taught:**

Palestinian Collective Action in Comparative Perspective.

State Formation in the Middle East.

The Political Economy of the Middle East.

Israel’s Wars.

National Security Doctrine and Practice in States of the Middle East.

**Conferences and Papers in the past three years:**

1. “Escalation vs. Containment in the Three Rounds of the Israeli-Hamas Conflict,” Washington Institute for Near East Policy, June 26, 2019.
2. “Escalation vs. Containment in the Three Rounds of the Israeli-Hamas Conflict,” Middle East Forum, Philadelphia, June 24, 2019.
3. “Explaining the Expansion and Narrowing of Regional Conflicts: Israeli-Arab and the post-Arab Conflicts Compared,” International Studies Association, European Section, Belgrade, June 17, 2019. Panel Chair and paper presentation.
4. “Assessing Iranian Soft Power in the Arab World from Google Trends,” MERC conference, Ariel University, April 5, 2019.
5. “Explaining the Expansion and Narrowing of Regional Conflicts: Israeli-Arab and the post-Arab Conflicts Compared,” Israel Association for International Studies Annual Meeting, Open University, June 6, 2018.
6. “Explaining the Expansion and Narrowing of Regional Conflicts: Israeli-Arab and the post-Arab Conflicts Compared, “International Workshop on Nationalism and Conflict, Haifa University, May 30, 2018.
7. “Explaining the Expansion and Narrowing of Regional Conflicts: Israeli-Arab and the post-Arab Conflicts Compared, “Israel Political Science Association, Sapir College, April 5, 2018.
8. “Getting it Right: From Containing Hamas in Gaza to Escalating Offense,” War Studies Seminar at King’s College, London, May 10, 2018.