

Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Sociology
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Education

- Ex. 2016** Ph.D. Candidate at the Sociology Department at the University of Texas at Austin.

Dissertation title: "Aid in Conflict: Nongovernmental Organizations and State Repression"
- 2013** Teaching Scholars Certificate Seminar
- 2010** M.A. in History at the Hebrew University

Thesis: "Peripheral Sources of Power and their Effect on the Center".
- 2007** B.A. (Joint Major) in History, Sociology and Anthropology at the Hebrew University.

Publications

- 2015.** Swed Ori and Alex Weinreb . "Military Westernization and State Repression in the Post-Cold War Era" *Social Science Research*
- 2015.** Swed Ori and John S. Butler as co-author- "Military Capital in the Israeli Hi-Tech Industry" *Armed Forces & Society* 41.1 (2015): 123-141
- 2015.** Under review. Ori Swed. "The Limits of Organization Expansion: The NGO Sector's Expansion Trends in Conflict Areas".
- 2015.** Book Review. Ori Swed. "How 9/11 Changed our Ways of War" in *Res Militaris*.
- 2014.** Ori Swed. "NGOs in Conflict: A 'Third Actor' and its Effects on Human Rights" in *Israel Institute (I)*.

- 2010.** Ori Swed. "Renan and Sand: Literature Review on Nationality and Jewish Identity". *Pikpuk*- The Sociology Journal of the Hebrew University. Volume 16. February 2010 (in Hebrew).
- 2009.** Ori Swed. "From Crucifixion to Hibernation: Fantasy and pain in the movie *Waltz with Bashir*" 66-74. *Slil* Summer edition. (in Hebrew).
- 2009.** Ori Swed. "The Changing of The Guard in The Late 19th Century Balance of Forces: The Far East as a Case Study." *Hazira Ha'istorit* 1 (2). (in Hebrew).

Awards, Fellowships, and Honors

- 2014-15.** Israel Institute Doctoral Fellowship.
- 2014.** Professional Development Award.
- 2014.** The Graduate Dean's Prestigious Fellowship.
- 2013-14.** Israel Institute Doctoral Fellowship.
- 2013.** The 2013 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship.
- 2012.** Pass with Honors on the General Examination in Political Sociology.
- 2012.** Professional Development Award.
- 2009.** Damascus Jewry Organization in Israel Fellowship.
- 2008.** Damascus Jewry Organization in Israel Fellowship.
- 2006.** Ministry of Education Award.
- 2005.** Excellence in Service Scholarship.

Teaching Experience

- 2015. Fall.** Instructor on Record for the course: *Comparative Religion, Culture, and Politics*. For undergraduate level at the Sociology Department.
- 2015. Summer.** Teaching-Assistant for Dr. Hossain Haghshenas, Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin for *Introduction to the Study of Society* course.
- 2015. Spring.** Lecturer for the course: *NGOs in Israel and Northern Ireland: Aid in Conflict Areas*, for upper-division level at Israel Studies.
- 2014. Fall.** Instructor on Record for the course: *Social Change and the Future*, for undergraduate level at the Sociology Department.

- 2014 Summer.** Instructor on Record for the course: *Religion and Global Change*, for upper-division level in the Sociology Department.
- 2013 Fall.** Instructor on Record for the course: *Comparative Religion, Culture, and Politics*. For undergraduate level at the Sociology Department.
- 2013 Spring.** Instructor on Record for the course: *Social Change and the Future*, for undergraduate level at the Sociology Department.
- 2012. Spring.** Teaching-Assistant for Dr. Brian Roberts, Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin for *Sociological Theory* course.
- 2011. Spring.** Teaching-Assistant for Dr. Mark Warr, Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin for *Criminology* course.
- 2010-2011. Fall.** Teaching-Assistant for Dr. Robert Crosnoe, Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin for *Intro to Sociology* course.

Academic Experience

- 2015.** Ad-hoc reviewer for the *Journal of Economics and International Finance*.
- 2013-15.** Research-assistant for Dr. John S. Butler at the IC2 Institute at the University of Texas at Austin on the topic of “Information Poverty and the Welfare System: an examination of the VA benefits’ use” focusing on the correlation between income and information poverty and the usage of veteran benefits.
- 2014. June.** Participation in the Israeli Institute Leadership Summit.
- 2014. March.** Participation in Duty to Care Symposium workshop. CSIS. Washington, DC.
- 2014.** Mentoring at the at the IE Pre Grad Internship program.
- 2013-14.** Ad-hoc reviewer for the *Armed Forces & Society* Journal.
- 2013.** Ad-hoc reviewer for the *Law & Social Inquiry* Journal.
- 2013 Summer.** Field research in Israel for a study on the Political Geography of East Jerusalem with the cooperation with Dr. Ami Pedhazur from the Government department and the Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies.
- 2013. April.** Participation in the Terrorists, Insurgents, and Guerrillas (TIGER) lab workshop.
- 2012.** Research-assistant for Dr. John S. Butler at the IC2 Institute at the University of Texas at Austin on the topic of “Military and High Tech Relations” focusing on the unique relations between the IDF and the Israeli High-Tech Industry.

- 2012 December.** Preliminary field research in Israel for a study on the Political Geography of East Jerusalem with the cooperation with Dr. Ami Pedhazur from the Government department and the Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies.
- 2011.** Creation of Counterinsurgency Dynamics in the Second Intifada Data Base (COINDY) This with the collaboration and guidance of Dr. Alex Weinreb from the Sociology Department at the University of Texas at Austin.
- 2011.** Field research in Israel on the IDF capital and the local high-tech industry. With the cooperation and support of Dr. John Butler.
- 2011.** Research-assistant for Dr. John S. Butler at the IC2 Institute at the University of Texas at Austin on the topic of “Military and High Tech Relations” focusing on the unique relations between the IDF and the Israeli High-Tech Industry.
- 2006-2009.** Research-assistant for Dr. Alexander Weinreb, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Hebrew University. The first year was primarily focused on the historical representation of sub-Saharan Africa (e.g., ancient, medieval, and early modern pictures). The second year and third years were primarily spent identifying, sorting and coding epidemics.
- 2008-2009.** Founder and chief editor of the student internet periodical "The Historical Arena," that addresses military history issues.
- 2007 (August – September).** Directed a pilot study in a rural area of Central Malawi involving the collection of social interaction diaries (PI was Dr. Alexander Weinreb)

Work in Progress

- “Information Poverty and the Welfare System: an examination of the VA benefits’ use” -with Dr. Butler as coauthor.
- “From Frames to Policy”- on frames as explanatory variable for coalition formation.
- “Changing the Political Geography: Social Movements in East Jerusalem” in collaboration with Dr. Illana Shpaizman and Dr. Ami Pedahzur. – on Social Movements in East Jerusalem.
- “Historical contingency and Liner Past”- on historical perspective in social science research.
- “Peripheral Sources of Power”- on the political effect of power and geography in civil war.

Research Presentation

- 2015. October.** “Aid in Conflict: Nongovernmental Organizations and State Repression” was accepted for the 2015 IUS Conference.

- 2014. November.** “The liberalizing potential of military westernization in the post-Cold War era”. International Security Studies Section of ISA and the International Security and Arms Control Section of APSA Conference 2014. Austin, Texas.
- 2014. October.** “Urban settlements and political entrepreneurship in East Jerusalem”. The annual meeting of the Peace Science Society workshop. Philadelphia.
- 2014. May.** Present a paper “The Rise of NGOs in Conflict Areas”. Canadian Sociology Association Annual Conference. St. Catharines.
- 2013. October.** Invited Speaker. “Historical Contingency and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict”. Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism (INSCT) at Syracuse University.
- 2013 August.** Present a paper “Military Capital and the Israeli Hi-Tech Industry”. American Sociological Association: Annual Meeting 2013. New York.
- 2013 April.** Invited Speaker. “Civil-Military Relations in the Israeli Context”. Austin Jewish Academy. Austin, Texas.
- 2013 March.** Present a paper “The Israeli Model of Hi-Tech Entrepreneurship, Military Capital, and the Hi-Tech Industry“. Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Boston.
- 2013 February.** Invited Speaker. “Israel and its Current Challenges with Iran” Cowan Creek Center. Georgetown.
- 2012.** Presented Paper- From Mercenaries to Contractors. Go-Betweeness: Crossing Borders ‘Human Rights? Social Justice?’ – An Interdisciplinary Conference at the University of Texas at Austin.
- 2012.** Presented Paper- The Arab Spring and the Role of the Military: Coercion and Diffusion through Arms Sales. ASA, section “Peace, War, World Conflict, and Conflict Resolution” Denver.
- 2012.** Invited Speaker- Iran and the Middle-East Geopolitics. Beth Shalom community. Dell Jewish Community Campus Austin.
- 2012.** Presented Paper- The Role of the Military in the Arab-Spring. Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. New York.
- 2011.** Presented Paper- The Dynamics of Violence between State and Terror Organizations in Israel and Palestine. Brown Bag Talk at the Sociology Department at the University of Texas at Austin.

Languages

English (Native or bilingual proficiency)

Hebrew (Native or bilingual proficiency)

German (Limited working proficiency)

Spanish (Limited working proficiency)

Skills

Software packages for quantitative data analysis STATA and R

Software packages for network analysis Gephi and UCINET

Software packages for data visualization and Geo-data analysis Tableau and GIS

Software packages for textual analysis Rapidminder and DocuBurst