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Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Ph.D., Study of Religion, Ethics, and Politics, November 2008
Thesis: *After Peace: How Does the Israeli Peace Camp Think about Religion, Nationalism and Justice?*
Dissertation Director: David Little.
Fields of General Exam (completed Spring 2005 with distinction): Theories & Methods in the Study of Religion, The Modern West, Religion & Society and Theories of Nationalism
AM., Study of Religion, June 2004

Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA
MTS, 2002. Concentration: World Religions with a special emphasis on Judaism and Islam.

University of California Santa Barbara
BA, with highest honors, 2000. Islamic and Near Eastern Studies.

Current Positions

Professor of Religion, Conflict, and Peace Studies (with tenure), the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies at the Keough School of Global Affairs, the University of Notre Dame (since July 2020)

Professor of Sociology (concurrent), The University of Notre Dame (since July 2020)

Faculty Fellow, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, The University of Notre Dame (since May 2019)

Non-Residential Religion, Conflict, and Peace Fellow, Religion & Public Life Program, Union Theological Seminary (New York City)

Faculty Affiliate with the Center for Security, Race and Rights (CSRR), Rutgers University (since 2025)

Faculty Fellow, Groningen's Centre for Religion, Conflict, and Globalisation, Groningen, the Netherlands (since January 2019)

Editor-at-Large, *Contending Modernities: Catholic, Muslim, Secular* (2026-present)

Concurrent Associate Professor – Pre-College Leadership Seminars, *University of Notre Dame* (2015-present)

Prior Position:

Dermot TJ Dunphy Visiting Professor of Religion, Violence, and Peace Building within the Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative at the Religion & Public Life Program, Harvard Divinity School (August 2021-June 2024)

Senior Fellow, Harvard Divinity School's Religion and Public Life Program's *Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative* (2018-2024)

Co-Director, Contending Modernities: A Global Research Initiative (2015-2025).

Faculty Fellow, *The Center for the Study of Religion and Society, University of Notre Dame* (2008-2016)

Associate Professor of Religion, Conflict, and Peace Studies (with tenure), the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies at the Keough School of Global Affairs, the University of Notre Dame (2014-2020)

Associate Professor of Religion, Conflict, and Peace Studies (Summer 2014), The University of Notre Dame at Tantur, Jerusalem

Assistant Professor of Religion, Conflict, and Peace Studies (2008-2014)
University of Notre Dame (The Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies & Sociology)

Scholarship & Fellowships

Harvard Divinity School
Senior Fellow at the Religion and Public Life and Religion, Conflict & Peace Initiative (2018-2024)

Carnegie Corporation of New York's Andrew Carnegie Fellowship (2017)

The Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Studies
Distinguished Fellowship (Fall 2011)

The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation
Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (2007-8)

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University
Tuition and Stipends (2002-2008)

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University
Merit Fellowship for dissertation research (Fall 2006)

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University

Graduate Student Associate (2006-8)

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University
Summer Research Grant (2007, 2008)

The Center for the Study of World Religions in Harvard University
Doctoral Studies Fellowship (2002-2004).

Distinctions, Honors, Awards

Committee on the Study of Religion, Harvard University
Comprehensive Exams (passed with distinction, 2005)

Phi Beta Kappa (2000)

University of California, Santa Barbara
Excellence in Arabic Language Studies (2000)

Professional Memberships

The American Academy of Religion

- Elected for the AAR Executive Committee (2022-2025)
- Elected for the Religion & the Social Sciences Steering Committee (2013-2016)
- Serve on the Steering Committee of the *Religion, Social Conflict & Peace Group (*2009-2015*)*
- Co-chair, *The Religion, Social Conflict & Peace Group* (2015-present)
- Journal of the American Academy of Religion, editorial board (2013-present)

The International Studies Association (2008—present)

- Best Graduate Student Paper, Religion & International Relations Section (2019-2020)

Monographs

* ***Decolonizing Religion and Peacebuilding*** (Oxford University Press, 2023).

****Days of Awe: Reimagining Jewishness in Solidarity with Palestinians*** (University of Chicago Press, 2019)
Reviewed in multiple venues, for example:
Review in LA Review of Books by Prof Shaul Magid https://lareviewofbooks.org/article/an-explosive-issue-on-atalia-omers-days-of-awe/ and in *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion, Journal of Political Theology* and other placements. Also see interview in *The Nation*
https://www.thenation.com/article/bds-anti-zionist-activism-atalia-omer-interview/

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When Peace is Not Enough: How the Israeli Peace Camp thinks about Religion, Nationalism, and Justice (Chicago and London: University of Chicago Press, 2013)

Atalia Omer *and* Jason Springs, ***Religious Nationalism: A Reference Handbook*** (ABC-Clio, now Bloomsbury, 2013)

Edited Volumes:

Atalia Omer, R. Scott Appleby, and David Little of ***The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict and Peacebuilding*** (Oxford University Press, 2015 and in paperback July 2019)

Atalia Omer and Joshua Lupo, eds. ***Religion and Broken Solidarities: Feminism, Race, and Transnationalism*** (University of Notre Dame Press, 2022).

Atalia Omer and Joshua Lupo, eds. ***Religion, Populism, and Modernity: Confronting White Christian Nationalism and Racism*** (University of Notre Dame Press, 2023).

Atalia Omer and Joshua Lupo, eds. ***Religion, Modernity, and the Global Afterlives of Colonialism*** (University of Notre Dame Press, 2024).

Tom Bamat, Myla Leguro, Nell Bolton, and **Atalia Omer,** eds. ***Interreligious Action for Peace: Studies in Muslim-Christian Cooperation*** (Baltimore, MD: Catholic Relief Services, 2017)

Refereed Journal Publications

Atalia Omer and Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian, "From the Grave Upward: Southernist Political Theology, the Dead, and Gaza," *Journal of Political Theology* (2026), online first: https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1462317X.2026.2677109

"A Subversive Pedagogy for Teaching Palestine/Israel" *Journal of Interreligious Studies* (2026), 49:38-70.

"Palestine/Israel Scholarship in the Shadow of Genocide," *Palestine/Israel Review* (2026), online first: https://doi.org/10.5325/pir.3.1.0008.

"A Roundtable Discussion on *Theology After Gaza: A Global Anthology* edited by Mitri Raheb and Graham McGeoch" participants include Mitri Raheb, **Atalia Omer**, Jude Lal Fernando, Kawtar Najib, Adam Vander Tuig, Carlos Memdoza-Avarez, Sarojini Nadar, Keunjoo Christine Pae, Mark Lewis Taylor, Kwok Pui Lan, Nicolás Panotto, and Yenny Delgado, *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (forthcoming).

"A Critical Study in the 'After Gaza genocide' Literature" *Journal of Religious Ethics* (in process).

"On Amalek, 'Miracles' and Turning Palestine into a *Terra Nullius*" May 22, 2025, *Journal of Genocide Research*, https://doi.org/10.1080/14623528.2025.2504737 (a Hebrew translation and adaptation is forthcoming)

Atalia Omer and James William Thompson, "**Selling Biblical Fantasies: How do Jewish and Christian Zionists Interrupt Black-Palestinian Solidarity,**" *The Journal for the Study of Christian Zionism* (2025) vol. 1: 44-73, https://studychristianzionism.org/the-journal-for-the-study-of-christian-zionism-volume-1-no-1/

Atalia Omer, Diane L. Moore, and Hilary Rantisi, "Touring Absences, Erasures, and Futures in the Unholy Land: Religiously Literate Diasporic Reading of Palestine/Israel" *Palestine/Israel Review* (accepted for publication January 15, 2024). Available in advance here: https://doi.org/10.5325/pir.1.2.0003

"Restorative Justice Pathways in Palestine/Israel: Undoing the Settler Colonial Captivity of Jewishness" *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* vol. 41 no. 2, 2023, p. 154-185. *Project MUSE*, https://doi.org/10.1353/sho.2023.a911223.

"**What is 'Jewish' about the Jewish Left in Palestine/Israel"** *Critical Research on Religion* (2024) 12.2: 227-242. https://doi.org/10.1177/20503032241267233

"Religion and the Harmony Business: After 9/11, More is Less" (2023) *Journal for Religion, Society and Politics* (Zeitschrift für Religion, Gesselschaft und Politik), 765-786 https://doi.org/10.1007/s41682-023-00153-4.

"Don't Dare Coloring Outside the Line: Why Can't We Ask Questions about the 'Jewish' Nation-State?" *Journal of Religious Ethics* in Betsy Barre, Mark Berkson, Diana Fritz Cates, Stewart Clem, Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Thomas A. Lewis, Charles Mathewes, James McCarty, Irene Oh, Atalia Omer, Laurie L. Patton, Kayla Renee Wheeler, "Teaching Religion and Upholding Academic Freedom", 51.2 (2023): 344-374 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/jore.12431.

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"Religion and the Study of Peace: Practice without Reflection" *Religions* (2021) 12(12), 1069 https://doi.org/10.3390/rel12121069

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Other Publications

Chapters in peer-reviewed edited volumes:

"Anti-Zionist Jews" in Nadim Rouhana, ed. *Zionism after the War on Gaza* (in process).

"Refusing Exceptionalism: Teaching Palestine in Jewish Studies Amid/'After' the Genocide" in Emily Schneider and Oren Kroll-Zeldin, eds. *Teaching Palestine in Jewish Studies* (in process).

"**Interfaith Violence: Project Esther & Disaster Philo-Zionism,"** in Santiago Slabodsky and Matthea Westerduin, eds. *Interreligiosities, Racisms, and Anti-Imperial Struggles* (Rutgers University Press, forthcoming).

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"Jews Against Jewish Violence: The Yeshivah of Unlearners," in William Cavanaugh, ed. *Signs of Hope: Finding Jubilee in a Fractured World* (Wipf & Stock, forthcoming).

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"**Re-membering Jewish Exile in the Palestinian Ashlaa'**" in Agata-Bielik Robson, Shaul Magid, Elad Lapidot, and Gilad Sharvit eds. *Between State and Exile: Interventions in Jewish Politics* (under contract with Academic Studies Press).

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"**A Feminist Unlearning of Jewish Political Theology**" in eds. Katherine Dormandy and Gertraud Ladner. *Liminal Lives: Women Scholars Challenging Boundaries in Theology and Philosophy of Religion* (Routledge, in progress).

"**Religion, Nationalism, and Decolonial Thought**" in *The Routledge Handbook of Religion and Nationalism in Interdisciplinary Perspective* eds. Damon Berry and Slavica Jakelić (in process).

"**Faith and Religion in Peace and Conflict Studies**" in Maia Carter Hallward, Ji Eun Kim, Cécile Mouly, Timothy Seidel, Zubairu Wai, eds. *Sage Handbook of Peace and Conflict Studies* (Sage Publications: 2025): 42-53.

"**From Bypass Roads' Feminism to Decolonial Judaism: A Feminist Reading of Jewish Religious Ethics and Solidarity**" in Rosemarie Kellison and Shannon Dunn eds. *Solidarity and Power: Feminist Approaches to Religious Ethics* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2025): 245-277.

"**Jewish Violence: The Convergence of Land- and Blood-Centric Political Theologies in Israel**" in eds. Michelle Grossman and Hisham A. Hellyer. *Rethinking Religion and Radicalisation: Terrorism and Violence Twenty Years After 9/*11 (Bloomsbury Press, 2025):157-174.

"**Not a Panacea but a Shackle: Economic Conceptions of Peacebuilding Conceal Root Causes of Violence Until They Can't"** in eds. Jude Lal Fernando and Santiago Slabodsky *Interrogating Peacebuilding* (forthcoming with Bloomsbury).

Atalia Omer and Joram Tarusarira, "**Religious Peacebuilding**" in Jeffrey Haynes, ed. *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics*, 3rd edition (Routledge, 2023): 423-439.

Atalia Omer and Ernesto Verdeja, "**Genocide"** *Revised and Expanded Blackwell Companion on Religious Ethics*, editor in chief, William Schweiker (Oxford: Wiley Blackwell, 2022), pp.1366-1376.

"**Transgressive Geography and Litmus Test Solidarity**" (co-authored with Ruth Carmi) in Atalia Omer and Joshua Lupo, eds. *Religion and Broken Solidarities: Feminism, Race, and Transnationalism* (University of Notre Dame Press, 2022): 87-132.

"**Introduction"** (co-authored with Joshua Lupo) in Atalia Omer and Joshua Lupo, eds. ***Meditations on Populism and Modernity: The Cultural Logic of White Christian Nationalisms*** (University of Notre Dame Press, 2022): 1-16.

*"**The Intersectional Turn: Theories and Practices for Understanding Religion & Peace**" *Blackwell Companion to Religion and Peace*, eds. Jolyon Mitchell, Suzanna R. Millar, Francesca Po, and Martyn Percy (Wiley Blackwell, 2022): 49-62

"**Religion, Gender Justice, and Violence: Conflict and the Practices of Peace"** in Caroline Starkey and Emma Tomalin, eds. *The Routledge Handbook of Religions, Gender and Society* (Routledge 2022): 321-338.

"**Nationalism, Religion, Ideology"** in Jeffrey Haynes ed. *The Routledge Handbook of Religion, Politics and Ideology* (Routledge, 2022): 51-64.

"**Domestic Religion: Why Interreligious Dialogue of Action for the Reduction of Child Marriage in the Coast of Kenya Conserves rather than Disrupts Power"** in eds. Tom Sauer, Jorg Kustermans, and Barbara Segaert *A Requiem for Peacebuilding?* (Palgrave's series Rethinking Peace and Conflict Studies, 2020): 59-94.

"**Interreligious Action as a Driver for Social Cohesion and Development**" (Baltimore, MD: Catholic Relief Services Press, 2017): 1-20.

"**Is Ferguson the Same as Gaza? Diaspora Grassroots Activism and Intersectional Alliances"** in Yasmin Sakia and Chad Haines, eds. *People's Peace* (Syracuse University Press, 2019): 202-229.

"Toward a Polycentric Approach to Conflict Transformation" in Sumner Twiss, and Rodney Petersen (eds.) *Religion and Public Policy: Human Rights, Conflict, and Ethics* (Cambridge University Press, 2015): 252-279

*"***Religion, Nationalism, and Solidarity Activism***" in* Atalia Omer, R. Scott Appleby, and David Little, eds., ***The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict and Peacebuildin****g* (Oxford University Press, 2015)

"**Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding: Synthetic Remarks**" *in* Atalia Omer, R. Scott Appleby, and David Little, eds., ***The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict and Peacebuildin****g* (Oxford University Press, 2015)

Co-authored with R. Scott Appleby and David Little, **"Preface,"** *in* Atalia Omer, Scott Appleby, and David Little, eds., ***The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict and Peacebuildin****g* (Oxford University Press, 2015)

"**Conflict & Peacebuilding**" in eds. Vince Biondo and Richard Hecht, *Religion in the Practice of Daily Life* (Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger, 2010), 513-548.

Selected for reprint in Richard D. Hecht and Vincent F. Biondo, eds. *Religion and Culture: Contemporary Practices and Perspectives* (Minneapolis, Minn: Fortress, 2012), 3-28

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<u>*Additional Scholarly Contributions, Book Reviews & Blog Posts*</u> (excluding blog posts for *Contending Modernities listed below*)

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"Being Jewish After the Destruction of Gaza: A Reckoning by Peter Beinart," *Peace & Change* (2025), https://doi-org.proxy.library.nd.edu/10.1111/pech.70017

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"**Daniel Boyarin, *No-State Solution: A Jewish Manifesto*"** reviewed in *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (2024), published online first https://doi.org/10.1093/jaarel/lfae045.

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"**Israel and the Making of U.S. Foreign Policy,"** *Peace Policy* (May 18, 2010) http://peacepolicy.nd.edu/2010/05/18/israel-and-the-making-of-u-s-foreign-policy/

"**Inter-disciplinarily and Multi-disciplinarily,"** *24 Peace Scholars: Conversations at the Intersection of Academia, New Media, and World Peace* http://www.24peacescholars.net/ (November 1, 2012)

Co-authored with Jason A. Springs, "**Johan Galtung, Anti-Semitism, and the Protocols of the Elders of Zion: A Teachable Moment,"** *24 Peace Scholars: Conversations at the Intersection of Academia, New Media, and World Peace* http://www.24peacescholars.net/?p=147 (May 23, 2012)

Co-authored with Gerard Powers, "**Religion, Conflict and Peace Processes: Curriculum Modules,"** *Religion in International Relations: Curriculum Project,* Denver, Colorado (2010)

Invited Lectures & Addresses (A Selected List)

"Subversive Political Theologies," International Lecture Series hosted at Universität Tubingen, Germany (March 2027).

"Religion, Gender, Violence, and Justice", Universität Gießen's Grenzziehungen und öffentliche Konflikte- Religion, Gender und Identität (February 2027).

"**The Promise of Interreligious Mobilization for Justice in Palestine/Israel"** Sol Kanee Lecture, University of Manitoba, Canada (November 2026, withdrew).

"Palestinian Justice and Jewish Reimagining," The University of Virginia (September 2026).

"Religion and the Global Far Right," Universität Tubingen, Germany (July 2026).

"Refiguring Jewish-Christian Dialogue in the Wake of Gaza," Katholische Akademie Berlin (June 2026).

"Anti-Zionist Jewish Thought and Action", invited speaker for the *Christ at the Checkpoint Conference* (conference's theme: "Kingdom Ethics in the Face of War & Genocide"), Bethlehem Institute for Peace & Justice, Bethlehem Bible College, Bethlehem, Palestine (May 2026, postponed to December 2026).

"Plenary Session of the International Studies Association", International Studies Association's Annual Meeting (March 2026).

"Theology, Religion, Politics: Religious authoritarianism or Civil Democracy," University of Regensburg, Germany (March 2026).

"Religion, Violence, and Peacebuilding" invited to deliver the annual Frederick C. Wood Lecture at Vassar College (New York November 2025).

Keynote address for Peace and Justice Studies Association & Swarthmore College National 2025 Conference (Philadelphia, October 2025).

"**We Can't Be Safe and Free Until Palestinians Are Safe and Free': American Jewish Solidarity with Palestinians,"** an address for International Day of Peace at Chapman University (September 2025).

Keynote, "**Religion & Peacebuilding,"** for the Social Consequences of Religion and Peacebuilding Research Strand in King's College, London (virtual July 2025)

Respondent, The Cushwa Center **Dolan Seminar** (a response to William Cavanaugh's *The Uses of Idolatry,* The University of Notre Dame, April 2025).

"3rd Global Roundtable on Islamophobia & Anti-Semitism," New Ground Research and Euro-Arab Foundation for Higher Studies, Granada, Spain (April 2025).

"Decolonizing Palestine: The Land, the People, the Bible: A Reflection on Mitri Raheb's Intervention," Yale Divinity School (March 2025).

"**We Show Up for Palestinian Rights *Because* We are Jews**" University of San Diego (March 2025).

"**The Genocidal Logic of the Judeo-Christian: Amalek, "Miracles," and Decolonial Disruption"** keynote for Koinonia Forum 2025, Princeton Theological Seminary (February 2025)

"Decolonizing Religion & Peacebuilding" invited to deliver the annual Goodspeed Lecture, Denison University (February 2025).

"**Teaching Palestine/Israel through Film,**" *a part of Teaching Israel/Palestine: On the Edge Symposium*, Elon Center for the Study of Religion, Culture, and Society, Elon University, (February 2025).

"Fascism and Messianism in Jewish Nationalism in Palestine/Israel" public lecture to be delivered in the Patterson Conference on Religious Nationalism, *Orthodox Christian Studies Center*, Fordham University June 16-18, 2025.

"**Jewish Interrogation of Jewish Violence in Palestine/Israel: The Yeshivah of Unlearners"** an address for Signs of Hope: Finding Jubilee in a Fractured World" in De Paul University's Center for world Catholicism & Intercultural Theology (Chicago, May 1-2, 2025).

"Faith-washing & the Struggle for Palestine," a talk at an international conference of DARE (discernment & radical engagement) organized by Partnership of Churches in Mission (CWM) in Harare, Zimbabwe (January 2025)

"Disaster Philo-Zionism: Who Profits? Who gets Hurt?" an international conference on "Rethinking Anti-Antisemitism and Philosemitism." Rice University, Houston (January 2025).

"Concepts & Visions of Peace as the Goal of Peacemaking," The Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, Vatican City (July 2025).

"Forms of Solidarity from a Research Project on Co-Resistance in the Pro-Palestinian Student Encampments through Film", Cambridge University, UK (June 2025).

"How LLMs Modulate Our collective Memory and Its Ethical Implications: The Case of Palestine/Israel" Catholic University of Croatia, Zagreb November 2024).

"After the Caliphate: Sovereignties and Subjectivities" Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario (Canada), October 2024.

"**One Hundred Years after Jacob Israel de Haan's Assassination**," *The Center for Intellectual Diaspora*, Berlin, Germany (June 2024).

"**Jewish Reckoning from the Ruins of Gaza and Palestine: Jewish Thought and Theology from the Rubble**" *Dar al-Kalima University's International Conference tiled* "Theology after Gaza" (Location: Istanbul, Türkiye because of the difficulty of holding the conference in Bethlehem, Palestine, May 2024).

"**Why Religious and Regional Literacy Matters in Global Affairs: The Case of Palestine/Israel**" *Embracing Integral Human Development: What Difference Does It Make?*" (Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame in Rome, Italy, May 2024).

"**Hasbara Explains No More: Shifts toward Decolonizing American Jewish Approaches to Palestine/Israel**" *The U.S. in the Middle East and the Middle East in the US* (Fares Center's Conference at the Fletcher School at Tufts University, April 2024).

"Why Jewish Palestine Solidarity is also Queer and Feminist?" *an address to the Middle Tennessee State University's Religious Studies Colloquium & Women and Gender Studies* (November 2024).

"**'Jewish' Israeli Politics as a Judeo-Christian Civilizational Secularism"** a contribution to a conference on Sécularisation: Perspectives Judéo-Islamiques, École normale supérieure (November 2024, Paris, France).

"Jewish Subjectivities through Critical Muslim Studies" a contribution to a workshop "After the Caliphate: Sovereignties and Subjectivities" at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada (October 2024).

"Jewish Critics of Zionism in Catastrophic Times" Barbara Sabol Memorial Lecture, King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania (October 2024).

"What does Judaism have to do with Palestine/Israel?" a virtual talk for the Groton Public Library in Massachusetts (September 2024).

"**A Conversation about Religion, Nationalisms, and Palestinian-Jewish Solidarity"** Macalester College, September 2024.

"How Does Palestinian Scholarship Contribute to Rethinking Jewish Politics?" public lecture delivered in an international conference *Between State and Exile: Rethinking Jewish Politics* (June 23-26, 2024), Katholische Akademia, Berlin Germany.

"**A Retrospective Political Reflection**" *A presentation for Queerodox: Jacob Israel de Haan: 100 Years to his Assassination*, *The Berlin Center for Intellectual Diaspora* (June 26-7, Berlin, Germany, 2024).

"What is 'Jewish' about the 'Jewish Left' in Palestine/Israel" *A presentation for a conference on the Jewish Left*, Boston University (May 2024).

"Our Liberations Are Intertwined with One Another: Jews in Solidarity with Palestinians," a lecture delivered in Middle East/South Asia Studies at the University of California Davis (May 2024)

"Don't Weaponize My Grief," Lecture discussing *Days of Awe: Reimagining Jewishness in Solidarity with Palestinians* , Wellesley College (May 2024)

"Jewish Anti-Zionism in Palestine/Israel" a teach-in on "Jewish Histories of Anti-Zionism" *The University of Chicago* (March 2024).

"Introduction to the History before October 7th: An Intervention from a Religious Studies Perspective," *Vanderbilt Divinity School* (by Zoom, February 2024).

"**Doing Public Scholarship on Palestine/Israel: Risks and Obligations**" *Emory University's Graduate Division of Religion* (February 2024, by Zoom).

"Decolonizing Religion and Peacebuilding: A Book Event" *Harvard Divinity School's Religion & Public Life Program's Book Series* (Cambridge, MA: January 2024).

"Don't Mobilize my Grief: American Jews in Solidarity with Palestinians" *Dean's Speakers Series* UMass Lowell (Lowell, MA: February 2024).

"On Jewish-Palestinian Solidarity" *Palestine/Israel Speaker Series*, Swarthmore College (Philadelphia, November 2023).

"Religion and the Harmony Business: After 9/11, More is Less", *2023 Wold Lecture on Religion and Conflict*, Union College (May, 2023).

"Decolonizing Israel: The Potential Contribution of the Palestinian Citizens", a response to Nadim Rouhana, Center for Middle East Studies, Harvard University, (Cambridge, MA: April 2023)

"To join the Struggle, You Have to Decolonize Judaism: Public Protest, American Jews, and the Rewriting of their Public Narratives" *Lecture in Global Seminar Series focused on Public Theologies in a Pluralized World: Concepts-Cooperations-Critiques* (April 2023, Edinburgh, Scotland)

"**Palestine as a Jewish Question"** A response to Ra'ef Zreik, Harvard Divinity School, (Cambridge, MA: March 2023).

"**Not a Panacea but a Shackle: Economic Conceptions of Peacebuilding Conceal Root Causes of Violence Until they Can't,**" Conference of Council for World Mission, "Discernment and Radical Engagement," Bangkok, Thailand (September 2023).

"**Religion and Conflict Transformation**", *The Parliament of World Religions* (Chicago, August 2023).

"(How) Does Religion Really Matter?" Roundtable as a part of Global Religion & American World-Making, The University of Notre Dame (April 2022).

"**Religious Peacebuilding: Practice without Reflection**" as a part of a Roundtable on Religious Conflict and Peacebuilding: Advances in the Field, University of Queen's Belfast (virtual April 2022).

"Jewish Solidarity with Palestinians" *Goodspeed Lecture Series,* Denison University (October 2021).

"**Jewish Israeli Critics of Israeli Political Discourse**" *Oxford University's Israel Studies Seminar* (October 2021).

"The Impact of the 'War on Terror' on Jewish Peacebuilding and Trans-Religious Solidarities" *A Symposium: Religion in the Public Sphere – 20 Years after 9/11*, University of Edinburgh, Scotland (October 2021).

"Religion and Peacebuilding" a keynote address for the Working Group in the Black Sea Region (Kyiv, Ukraine June 2020) –postponed due to COVID (delivered virtually in June 2021).

"**Days of Awe: Reimagining Jewishness in Solidarity with Palestinians"** book launch, Harvard University (April 2020)—postponed due to COVID, book event took place by Zoom in September 2020. See https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/book-talk-days-awe-atalia-omer.

"**Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding**" public lectures series *Religion and Conflict- Religious Conflicts- Religious Violence"* Goethe University, Frankfurt Germany (collaboration of the Martin-Buber-Chair in Jewish Thought and Philosophy, the Catholic Academy in Frankfurt and the Anne Frank Bildungszentrum) (February 2020).

"**Cross-Pollination of Religion and Nationalism in International and Interreligious Contexts"** in *Church, State, and Nationalism: Problems and Possibilities: A Symposium* Valparaiso University (April 2020)—Postponed Due to COVID, took place April 8, 2022.

"**Narratives of Displacement and Belonging in Israel and Palestine**" in *Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative's Fall Conference* , Harvard University (November 2019)

"**Decolonizing Peacebuilding; Decolonizing Religion: What's the Link? Why does it Matter?"** a Keynote address UCSIA International Workshop on Peacebuilding, University of Antwerp, Belgium (December 2018)

"Joy, Peace, and Disorder" a paper prepared for a consultation with Yale Center for Faith and Culture, Yale Divinity School (September, 2018).

"Jewish Moral and Political Imageries", a part of Theology and Contingency: Morals, History, and Imagination" a three day module developed for *Madrasa Discourse, Contending Modernities* (Nepal, July 2018).

"The Intersectional Turn: Theories and Practices for Studying Religion and Peace" University of California, Irvine-International Relations Working Group, University of California, Irvine (May 30, 2018).

"From Zion to New York City: Religion, Violence, and the Practice and Theory of Peacebuilding" 2017 Chester Ronning Lecture on Religion and Diplomacy, University of Alberta, Canada (November 28, 2017)

"Displacement, Identity, and Belonging" *Reimagining Difference: Being, Thinking and Practicing Beyond Essentialism*, A Five Year Anniversary Conference at the Centre for Religion, Conflict and the Public Domain, University of Groningen, Netherland (13-15 September, 2017)

"Religion, Peacebuilding & Development" and **"Global Challenges/Opportunities: Religion, Peacebuilding and Development"** Advancing Interreligious Peacebuilding Learning Event (May 31-June 1, 2017) Catholic Relief Services, Sarajevo.

"Re-Narrating Religion through Intersectional Social Justice Activism: Jewish-American Palestine Solidarity and the Transformation of American Judaism" Ohio University's Department of Classics and World Religions (March 9, 2017)

"Religion and Conflict: A Graduate Student Symposium" Florida State Religion Graduate Department (February 18, 2017)

"Religion, Gender Norms, and Development Practice" Pew Research Center as a part of U.S. State Department's Religion and Diplomacy Conference, Washington, D.C., (September 27, 2016).

"Refiguring Jewish American Identity through Palestine Solidarity," Naftulin Lecture, Alan D. Leve Center for Jewish Studies, University of California, Los Angeles (January 22, 2016)

"Religion, Conflict, and the Practice of Peacebuilding," Clemson Humanities Road Scholars Lecture Series, Clemson University, (October 3, 2015)

"Is Ferguson the Same as Gaza? Diaspora Grassroots Activism and Intersectional Alliances" Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict at Arizona State University's conference on "People's Peace," (April 16-17, 2015).

"A Response to Loren Lybarger's 'Time of Exile'" Martin Marty Center, University of Chicago (April 28, 2015)

"Refiguring American Jewish Identity through Solidarity with Palestinians: A Relational Approach to Religious Innovation," The Annual Greeley Lecture for Social Justice, Center for the Study of World Religions at Harvard University (September 16, 2014)

"Jerusalem's Future: Peace or Apocalypse?" Saturday Scholar Series, University of Notre Dame (August 30, 2014)

"Does Religion Cause Violence?" A Football Fridays Series, University of Notre Dame (November 14, 2014)

"Critical Caretaking: Reimagining Nationalism from the Margins" Northwestern University (Spring 2014)

"Re-imagining Religion, Nationalism, and Justice from the Israeli Margins" Berman Center for Jewish Studies, Lehigh University (February 12, 2014)

"Religion, Conflict, and Peace: The Cutting Edge of Research," Program of Peace and Justice Studies, Wellesley University (February 4, 2014)

"Critical Caretaking: Rethinking Religion, Nationalism, Justice in the Case of Palestine/Israel," a public lecture and a seminar discussion with the Department of Religious Studies, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill (November 7, 2013)

"Religion & Nationalism from a Global Perspective" & "Religion & Nationalism: The Case of Israel" *Global Issues Seminar*, University of Notre Dame (summer 2013, 2014)

"Religion, Peacebuilding, and Relational Justice," *Moral Theology Colloquium,* University of Notre Dame (May 1,2013)

"*When Peace Is Not Enough: How the Israeli Peace Camp Thinks about Religion, Nationalism, and Justice*" *Religion and Politics Seminar* co-chaired by Bryan Hehir, Nancy Rosenblum, Noah Feldman, and Ofrit Liviatan, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University (April 22, 2013)

"Through Hybridity and Reframing: Peacebuilding as Boundary Transgressing," *Peace Building: The Civil Society Contribution* An International Symposium to jumpstart the Edinburgh Peace Initiative (University of Edinburgh Scotland, October 22, 2012)

"**Religion and Nationalism: What's the Link?"** *Peace Research Education Colloquium,* The Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, November 2012)

"The Violent Edge of the Language of Religious Freedoms," a panelist for *Religious Freedoms, Modern Contexts: ISLA-Mellon Workshop* (University of Notre Dame, September, 2011)

"Commentary on the Film *Little Town of Bethlehem,*" a presentation following the screening of the film in (The Catholic University, Washington, D.C., September 2011)

"Religion, Conflict, and Peace Processes," a presentation for *Religion in International Relations: Curriculum Project Denver, Colorado* (University of Denver, April, 2010)

"**The Hybrid Spaces of Jerusalem,"** a presentation for the *Butler Seminar on Religion and World Civilizations* (Butler University, February 2010)

"Changing Boundaries: From Global Sites of Contestation to Local Conflict Transformation," a presentation for Conference on Religion, Ethics and Peace: Honoring the Career of Professor David Little, at *Harvard Divinity School* co-sponsored by Harvard Divinity School & the Kroc Institute (November 2009)

"**A Reflection on the Works of Nigel Biggar & Chris Eberle,**" a presentation for a *"War and Religion" Symposium at the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies* (University of Notre Dame: September 2009)

"**Pedagogical Challenges in Peace Studies,"** a presentation for the Luce Foundation Project on Religion and International Affairs at the *Orfalea Center for Global & International Studies at the* (University of California Santa Barbara, May 2009)

"**The Mizrahi Rainbow: A Subaltern Critique of Zionist Peace from the Point of View of its Jewish Victims,"** a presentation to the *Colloquium for Faculty and Graduate Students* in the Department of Religion at (Florida State University, February 2008).

"**Oslo and its Aftermath,**" a guest speaker for *Israel-Palestine*, a seminar taught by Meriam Belli, MIT (April 2007).

"**The Global Dimensions of Israeli Religiosity,**" a presentation given to the Religion & Globalization Forum at Harvard Divinity School, chair Prof Harvey Cox (February, 2006).

Responded to **Dr. Sari Nusseibeh**'s Presentation titled "Resolving the Conflict: A Remedy for the Civilizational Clash," The Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions luncheon seminar series "Religion in Politics: Complexity and Conflict," (March 2005).

Grants and Sponsored Programs

Andrew Carnegie Fellowship to conduct research in the intersections of religion, peacebuilding, and development in Mindanao, the Philippines and Malindi, Kenya (2017-2019)

Kellogg Faculty Grant to conduct further research on the Jewish democratic imagination and Palestinian justice (2025-6)

Kellogg Faculty Grant to conduct research in Palestine/Israel with a focus on the Jewish independent left in Palestine/Israel during the thirty years of the Oslo Accords (2024-5)

Multiracial Democracy Working Group, microgrant to support archival work with digital Israeli media (2025).

Kroc Faculty Grant to conduct research in Israel and Palestine with social movement actors working on Mizrahi-Palestinian Intersectionality Summer 2017)

Kroc Faculty Grant to do spoken Arabic language study as part of preparation work for research on efforts to demilitarize Arabic by Israeli Jews' imagining decolonial futures (received May 2022 & December 2022).

The University of Notre Dame's Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts' Small Research and Creative Work Grant to conduct ethnographic research accompanying a global Jewish solidarity trip to the West Bank for the book manuscript *From Zion to New York City: Refiguring Jewish-American Ethics and Identity through Solidarity with Palestinians* (Summer 2017)

Keough School of Global Affairs' Sustainable Development Goal 16 Working Group's Grant for "Religion, Gender, and the Practice of Peacebuilding and Development" (2016-2017)

Notre Dame Global Collaboration Initiative (Co-PI) in "Academic and Community Partnerships for the Development of a Comprehensive Social-Ecological View of Political Violence in Israel and Palestine." (2014-2015)

Kroc Faculty Research Grant to conduct interviews with Palestine solidarity activists (2013-2014)

Participant in a working group (co-directed by Charles Mathew and Paul Jones, University of Virginia) **"Religion and Its Publics**" funded by the Luce Foundation (2016-2018)

Senior Fellow, Religion and its Publics Project (Luce funded project based in the University of Virginia)

Participant in a working group (co-chaired by Daniel Philpott and Michael C. Desch) on **"Religion and International Relations,"** as part of the Mellon/Notre Dame Project on Religion across the Disciplines (2010-2012)

A Member of the Steering Committee, *Contending Modernities: Catholic, Muslim, Secular.* The Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame (2009-2014).

Participant in "**Religion in Global Civil Society: A Networking Workshop,"** at the Orfalea Center for Global and International Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara (May 2, 2009). Sponsored by the Henry R. Luce Initiative on Religion and International Affairs.

Other Notable Contributions:

Contending Modernities (CM)

Editing Contending Modernities Blog, as part of my position as co-director of Contending Modernities, I have edited and generated content in an effort to shape public-facing conversations in the study of religion and modernity https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/blog/ from 2015-2026.

Conferences organized

Co-convened, **Turbulent Religions, Alternative Futures** (in collaboration with Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland), August 2023, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Co-convened, **Reexamining Religion, Modernity/ies, and Trans-Modernity in the "Populist" Moment** (a launch of the CM's Theory in the Study of Religion Working Group) June 5-6, 2018, Chicago & March 16th, University of Notre Dame.

Co-convened, **Book Workshop of *Five Meditations on Race, Blood, and Religious Nationalism*** (CM's Theory Working Group) September 13-14, 2019 (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

Co-convened, **Changing the Conversation about Religion**: International Conference Series:

"Making Democracy One's Own: Muslim, Catholic and Secular Perspectives in Dialogue on Democracy, Development, and Peace" (May 30-June 1, 2016, in Rome, Italy):

Respondent to Jan-Werner Müller's keynote address "Don't Call it Illiberal Democracy"
Chair, "Human Development and Interreligious Engagement"
Synthetic Remarks, "Lessons Learned—What Have We Heard?"

"Partnerships for Global Development" (November 12-13, London UK):

Chair, "Obstacles to Sustainable development"
Panelist (public session at The Gladstone Library), "What Have We Learned?"

Co-convened, **Workshop for Contending Modernities' Authority, Community, and Identity Working Group in Indonesia**

"Beyond Co-Existence in Plural Societies" (The State Islamic University Syarif Hidayatullah, Jakarta 10-11 July 2017)

Co-convened, **A Contending Modernities Plenary Conference**

"Authorizing the Human Person in a Cosmopolitan Age: Science, Society and Identity" (June 3-6, 2015 in Rome, Italy):

Chair & Respondent, Sarah Coakley's Keynote Address "What Hope for an Evolutionary Ethics of Virtue?"
Respondent, "The Public Ethics of Deep Pluralism" (presentations by Meyda Yegenoglu & Tariq Modood)

Blog Posts for CM

"The Limits of Anti-Zionist Narratives during a Time of Genocide", *Contending Modernities,* September 22, 2026, https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/limits-anti-zionist-narratives/

"**In the Ruins of the Modern,"** *Contending Modernities* July 9, 2025 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/in-the-ruins-of-the-modern/

"**The Urgency of Idolatry Critique: A Synthetic Response to Yadgar and Cavanaugh,"** *Contending Modernities* July 22, 2025 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/urgency-idolatry-critique/

"**After Gaza: Standing Again at Sinai"** *Contending Modernities* October 8, 2024 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/global-currents/after-gaza-standing-again-at-sinai/

"**Religious Freedoms, Apocalyptic Thinking, and Political Violence"** *Contending Modernities* Aug 30, 2023 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/religious-freedoms-apocalyptic-thinking-and-political-violence/.

"**Why are We Still Talking about the 'Clash of Civilizations'? Anne Norton and the Search for the Andalusias of Modernity"** *Contending Modernities* January 31, 2023 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/search-for-andalusias/

"**Decolonizing the Practice of Religion in International Relations**" *Contending Modernities* July 15, 2021 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/decolonizing-religion-international-relations/

"**The Apocalypse is Human-Made: Playing with Fire from Al-Aqsa to Gaza**" *Contending Modernities* May 14, 2021 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/global-currents/apocalypse-human-made/

"**Eichmann is Still in Jerusalem**" *Contending Modernities* June 22, 2021 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/global-currents/eichmann-is-still-in-jerusalem/

"**Weaponizing Antisemitism is Bad for Jews, Israel, and Peace**" *Contending Modernities* January 21, 2021 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/global-currents/weaponizing-antisemitism/

Co-authored with Santiago Slabodsky, "**Introduction to Policing Analogies**" September 16, 2020 *Contednign Modernities Blog,* https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/intro-policing-analogies/

"Beyond the Performance of Interfaith Solidarity" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 11 June 2019 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/global-currents/beyondinterfaith/

"Modernity as Theater of the Absurd" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 18 March, 2018 https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/global-currents/modernity-theater/

"The Hybridities of Hijabi Barbie: A CM Book Symposium on 'Brand Islam'" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 2 March 2017 http://sites.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2017/03/02/the-hybridities-of-hijabi-barbie-a-cm-book-symposium-on-brand-islam/

"Promoting Interreligious Tolerance in Upper Egypt" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 14 October 2016 https://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/10/14/promoting-interreligious-tolerance-in-upper-egypt/

"United for Girls' Rights: A Reflection" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 6 October 2016 https://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/10/06/united-for-girls-rights-a-reflection/

"Bridging Ethnoreligious Divides in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Choosing Peace Together through Interreligious Action for Conflict Transformation" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 3 October 2016 https://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/10/03/bridging-ethnoreligious-divides-in-bosnia-and-herzegovina-choosing-peace-together-through-interreligious-action-for-conflict-transformation/

"Inter-Religious Action in Central Mindanao: Applying Binding, Bonding, and Bridging (A3B) to Land Conflict" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 19 September 2016 http://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/09/19/inter-religious-action-in-central-mindanao-applying-binding-bonding-and-bridging-a3b-to-land-conflict/

"Authorizing the Human Person in a Cosmopolitan Age: A Thematic Synthesis" *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 27 July 2016 available here: http://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/07/27/cm-rome-2015-synthesis/

"A Response to Jan-Werner Müller" 29 June 2016 in *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 27 June 2016 available here: http://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/06/29/atalia-omer-a-response-to-jan-werner-muller/

"From London to Rome: Changing the Conversation about Religion" in *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 27 June 2016 available here: http://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/06/27/from-london-to-rome-changing-the-conversation-about-religion/

"Religious Humanitarians and the Challenges of History" in *Contending Modernities: A Blog About Catholic, Muslim, and Secular Interaction in the Modern World* 6 May 2016 available here: http://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2016/05/06/religious-humanitarians-and-the-challenges-of-history/

"**The Two Others,"** *Contending Modernities Blog* (March, 2013) http://blogs.nd.edu/contendingmodernities/2013/03/05/the-two-others/

Conference Paper Presentations in Professional Association Meetings:

Discussant, "Critical Religious Literacy & Teaching the Case of Palestine/Israel" as part of a panel on Critical Religious Literacy: Case Studies in Theory and Practice, University of Helsinki's conference: "Religious Literacy and Religious Pluralism: New Directions for Research: (October 2026).

Respondent, Book panel on Mona Oraby's *Devotion to the Administrative State: Religion and Social Order in Egypt* (PUP, 2024), American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting (Boston, November 2025)

Respondent, Book Review Panel Discussion of Munther Isaac's Christ in the Rubble: Faith, the Bible, and the Genocide in Gaza, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting (Boston, November 2025)

Discussant, Theology After Gaza, A Roundtable Discussion, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting (Boston, November 2025)

Respondent, "*Decolonizing Religion and Peacebuilding*: Author Meets Critics" (respondent to critics of my book in the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Diego, November 2024).

Respondent, "The Need for Religion and Development Research in Religious Studies," American Academy of Religion's Annual Meeting (San Diego, November 2024).

"**Bureaucratic Torture in Occupied East Jerusalem**," a panel on "Paperwork Is Life: Legal Status, Necropolitics, and Soverignties," *American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting* (San Diego, 2024).

"**Religion and Nationalism: A Reimagining of the Field**", An Exploratory Panel, "Religion & Nationalisms," Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, (San Antonio, November 2023).

"**If I am Only for Myself, Who Am I? A Feminist Reading of Jewish Ethics and Solidarity,**" *Comparative Religious Ethics Unit,* Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, November 2023.

"**Archiving the American Jewish Left in the Digital Age: Engaged Scholarship & the Urgency of Preservation**" *Association of Jewish Studies' Annual Meeting* (San Francisco, December 2023).

"**Not a 'Villa in the Jungle': Reorienting Jewish Identity**", International Studies Association 2023, (Montréal, Canada, March 2023).

"**The Legacy of John Kelsay: Religion and Ethics in International Relations**," International Ethics Distinguished Scholar Panel: Honoring John Kelsay. International Studies Association 2023, (Montréal, Canada, March 2023).

Author Meets Critics, examining Mitri Raheb's ***The Politics of Persecution: Middle Eastern Christians in an Age of Empire***. The American Academy of Religion, (Denver, Co, November 2022).

Authors Meet Critics, examining ***Religion in Rebellion, Revolutions, and Social Movements*** (Routledge 2022) eds. Warren S. Goldstein and Jean-Pierre Reed. The American Academy of Religion, (Denver, Co, November 2022).

Author Meets Critics, ***Radicalism and Violence for Jewish Survival: A discussion of Shaul Magid's Meir Kahane" The Public Life and Political Thought of an American Jewish Radical*** **(Princeton University Press, 2021).**

"**Religious Studies and the Practices of Religion, Diplomacy, and IR"** A Roundtable Discussion at the American Academy of Religion's Annual Meeting, San Antonio (November 2021).

"**Diasporist Retrievals and Reframing in Contemporary American Jewish Palestine Solidarity Practitioners"** *Association of Jewish Studies*, December 2020 (online).

Author Meets Critics, **a Response to Cecelia Lynch**, *Wrestling with God: Ethical Precarity in Christianity and International Relations* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020) in *American Political Science Association*, September 2020.

"**Tel Aviv on Fire: A Roundtable on the Awards winning film**" *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (San Diego, November 2019)

"**Art, Religion, & the Limits of Decoloniality as Peace**" *Creativity, Resistance and Hope: Towards an Anthropology of Peace*, an international conference of the Peace and Conflict Studies in Anthropology Network of Social Anthropologists, (Belfast, October 3-4, 2019).

"**Scott Appleby's Legacy in the Study of Religion, Violence, and the Practices of Peacebuilding"** Distinguished Scholar Roundtable Honoring the Work of R. Scott Appleby *The Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association* (Toronto, March 27, 2019).

"**Interreligious Dialogue of Action and the Reduction of Child Marriage in the Coastal Regions of Kenya: Moving Beyond the 'soft power' approach?**" The International Development and Religion Unit in the *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (Denver, November 2018).

"**Roundtable on Moral Obligations, Prophetic Actions, and Search for Solidarity from Historical, Transnational, and Global Perspectives: The Cases of South Africa, Palestine, and Israel**" in the *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (Denver, November 2018).

"**Roundtable Session on Richard B. Miller's *Friends and Other Strangers* (Columbia University Press, 2016)**," *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (Boston, MA, 2017).

"**Borders and Biopolitics: Intersectional Bodies and the Globalizing of Nation**," a plenary panel *Intersectional Inquiries and Collaborative Action: Gender and Race Conference* (University of Notre Dame, March 2017).

"**Religion and Narrative change in World Politics,"** Presidential Theme Roundtable "Theorizing Big Changes in World Politics: War, Environment, Human Rights, and Power" *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association* (Baltimore, March 2017)

"**The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding edited by Atalia Omer, Scott Appleby, and David Little: A Book Panel"** *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association* (March 2016)

"**The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding edited by Atalia Omer, Scott Appleby, and David Little: A Book Panel"** *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (November 2015)

"***How the Israeli Peace Camp Thinks About Religion, Nationalism, and Justice: Roundtable Debate of Atalia Omer's When Peace Is Not Enough*"** *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (November 2015)

"**Re-imagining Jerusalem in the Palestinian and Jewish Diasporas in the United States: Jerusalem in Narratives of Conflict, Displacement, and (Re)Placement,"** *Imagining Jerusalem, c. 1099 to the Present Day* (King's College London, November, 2014)

"**Imagining and Reimagining Palestine in Chicago: The Rhetoric of 'No Place' and the Contested Role of Diaspora and Solidarity Activism in Conflict and Peacebuilding,**" *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion* (November, 2013)

"**Modernists Despite Themselves?"** *Impact of Religion: Challenges for Society, Law and Democracy,* international conference *Uppsala Religion and Society Research Centre* (Uppsala Universitet, May 20, 2013)

"**The Discourse of Religious Freedoms, the Making of American Foreign Policy, and the Limits of Critique,"** *Association for the Study of Religion* (August, 2012)

"**The Glocalization of Justice and the Tranferability of Protest,**" a presentation for the Annual Conference of the *Association for the Study of Nationalism and Ethnicity* at the London School of Economics (March 2009)

"'It's Nothing Personal': The Globalization of Justice, the Transferability of Protest, and the Case of the Palestine Solidarity Movement," a presentation for Globalization, Peacebuilding and Social Movements Workshop at the *Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies* (University of Notre Dame, October 2009)

"**Religion, Liberalism and the Question of Peace in Israel,**" a presentation given at The 17th Annual Conference of the *Association for the Study of Ethnicity and Nationalism* London School of Economics (April, 2007).

"**Post-Zionist Judaism: The Religious Peace Camp and the Hermeneutics of Israeli Citizenship,**" a presentation to *Beyond the Nation? Critical Reflections on Nations and Nationalism in Uncertain Times* sponsored by *Queen's University Belfast's School of Politics, International Studies & Philosophy* (September 2007).

Discussant/Panelist/Chair Role (a selection)

Moderator, " **'Upside-Down Love': A Conversation with Sari Bashi**," (The University of Notre Dame, November 2026).

Moderator, "Hebrew Orientalism: Jewish Engagement with Arabo-Islamic Culture in Palestine" (The University of Notre Dame, September 2026).

In Conversation with Peter Beinart on his *Being Jewish After the Destruction of Gaza: A Reckoning* (The University of Notre Dame, March 2025).

Discussant, A Film Screening of *From Ground Zero* (The University of Notre Dame, February 2025)

Panelist, "In the Ruins of History: A CAWS X #EOTALKS Roundtable in Solidarity with Palestine" *Critical Ancient World Collective and Everyday Orientalism* (February 2025). Webinar.

Discussant, A Film Screening of *No Other Land* (Harvard Divinity School, February 2025).

Discussant, A Film Screening of *No Other Land* (The University of Notre Dame, March 2025).

Respondent, A book Talk on *Elastic Empire in Palestine* by Lisa Bhungalia (The University of Notre Dame, September 2024).

Moderator/Discussant, "Reimagining Jewish Ethics and Politics in Israel & the Diaspora: Ethics, Tradition, and Power" (The University of Notre Dame, March 2024).

Moderator/Discussant, "The Weaponization of Antisemitism: Keynote by Dr. Yousef Munayyer and Responses," The University of Notre Dame (March 2024).

Moderator, "Religion, Conflict, and Peace Book Series Spring 2024: *The Necessity of Exile: Essays from a Distance & End of Days: Ethics, Tradition, and Power in Israel*" Harvard Divinity School (February 2024).

Discussant, Panel on the film *Israelism*, Harvard Divinity School, September 21, 2023.

Discussant, *The Bible and Settler Colonialism in Palestine and Beyond* a webinar co-sponsored by Woodland-Cook Program in Religion & Justice and the Center & Library for the Bible and Social Justice (January 27, 2024).

Panelist, "Jewish Solidarity with Palestine," (November 6, 2023) webinar co-sponsored by *Jewish Currents, Haymarket Books, Jewish Voice for Peace & If Not Now* https://jewishcurrents.org/event/panel-discussion-jewish-solidarity-with-palestine.

Panelist, *"Christian Zionism and the Ecumenical Movement,"* (December 5, 2023) *a webinar sponsored by the Transformative Ecumenism Movement https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1LGNPXq-b0.*

Convener and Discussant, Panel on the film *Israelism*, The University of Notre Dame, November 2023.

Panelist: *Faith in Action: Jewish, Christian, & Muslim Solidarity for Just Peace in Times of Conflict* , Harvard Divinity School, (October 18, 2023)

Convener & Presider, "Another Israeli Election: Assessing Trends of Israeli and Jewish Politics," Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, October 25, 2022.

Convener & Presider, "Walking through the Twilight: A Visual Exploration of Contemporary Jewish Anti-Occupation Activism" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, April 12, 2022.

Convener & Presider, "Yom Ha'atzmaut and the Colonization of American Judaism" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, April 19, 2022.

Discussant, "Reassessing Religion and American Foreign Policy Twenty Years after 9/11", Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame, October 2021

Panelist, "Palestine is Burning" John Hopkins University May 19, 2021 https://vimeo.com/553154470?fbclid=IwAR243_eghbqhUgOTZFENt6uYMTqY3KAnNWT1MptC5mxBGXub_uIwSwQHTyQ

Panelist, "Live from Jerusalem: Notre Dame Faculty Discuss Recent Events and Their Repercussions" May 20, 2021 https://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/events/2021/05/20/unfolding-events-in-israel-and-palestine-why-now-and-paths-forward/

Co-convener & Presider, "Between the Sacred and the Profane in Contemporary Jerusalem" The case of Silwan" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, September 21, 2021. https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/10/25/Video-Between-the-Sacred-and-the-Profane-in-Contemporary-Jerusalem-The-case-of-Silwan

Co-convener & Presider, "When Politics are Sacralized: Comparative Perspectives on Religious Claims and Nationalism" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, September 28, 2021. https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/10/25/Video-When-Politics-are-Sacralized-Comparative-Perspectives-on-Religious-Claims-and-Nationalism

Convener & Presider, "Justice for Some: Law and the Question of Palestine: A Conversation with Noura Erakat" The Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies & Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative April 13, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/programs/religion-conflict-peace/events?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D152153998

Co-convened, "The Decolonizing Rubric: Modernity, Religion and Re-Imagining Palestine/Israel" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative November 9, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/11/09/video-the-decolonizing-rubric-modernity-religion-and-reimagining-palestine-israel

Co-convened, "What's New About the New B'Tselem Report: A Moment of Moral Clarity" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative February 23, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/programs/religion-conflict-peace/events?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D150779703

Co-convened, "The Christian Right and the Shaping of American Policies in Israel/Palestine" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative October 26, 2021

Co-convened, "Defragmenting Palestine: Breaking the Barriers from Sheikh Jarrah to Lydda, Gaza, and Beyond" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, October 5, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/10/20/video-defragmenting-palestine-breaking-barriers-sheikh-jarrah-lydda-gaza-and-beyond

Co-convened, "Theologies of Hope and Resistance: Palestine, South Africa, and Transnational Indigenous Communities" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative November 30, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/programs/religion-conflict-peace/events?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D156591399.

Co-Convener & Presider, "The Politics of Defining: A Roundtable Discussion about the Jerusalem Declaration on Antisemitism" Harvard Divinity School's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative & Harvard's the Center for Middle Easter Studies, April 20, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/05/17/video-politics-defining-roundtable-discussion-about-jerusalem-declaration-antisemitism

Co-Convener & Presider, "The Not So Nice Passover Haggadah" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative April 1, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/05/17/video-not-so-nice-passover-haggadah

Co-Convener & Presider, "Reimagining and Rewriting Jewish Liturgy" Harvard's Religion, Conflict, and Peace Initiative, March 23, 2021 https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2021/04/28/video-reimagining-and-rewriting-jewish-liturgy

Convener & Presider, "Interrogating the Christchurch Shooting: How Global Racism, Islamophobia, and White Supremacy Manifested in New Zealand" (University of Notre Dame, April 16, 2019), access here: https://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/events/2019/04/16/interrogating-the-christchurch-shooting-how-global-racism-islamophobia-and-white-supremacy-manifested-in-new-zealand/

Discussant, "Racism, Xenophobia and the Rise of the Far Right at Home and Abroad: Navigating the Call of Justice" (University of Notre Dame, Nov 27, 2018), access here: https://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/events/2018/11/27/racism-violence-and-xenophobia-confronting-the-rise-of-far-right-populism-at-home-and-abroad/

Presider, "Authorizing Peaceful Coexistence: Domestic and Global Challenges," A Contending Modernities Conference, The State Islamic University/ Syarif Hidayatullah (Jakarta, Indonesia 10 July 2017)

Discussant, a panel titled "The Public Ethics of Deep Pluralism: featuring Tariq Modood and Meyda Yegenoglu, A Contending Modernities Plenary Conference, Notre Dame Global Gateway (Rome, June, 2015)

Panelist, *Understanding Gaza*, University of Notre Dame (August 28, 2014).

Discussant, a panel titled "Peace, Morality and International Studies: Research and Teaching in a University Setting," *Notre Dame and BYU: Leading the Way in Ethics Education*, University of Notre Dame (Nov 21, 2013)

Media & Policy (a selection):

- Policy Brief: Moniz, Nuno; Omer, Atalia; Cajka, Peter; Ćurković Nimac, Jasna; Mandolessi, Silvana; Cardina, Miguel; et al. (2026). Policy brief. How Artificial Intelligence Can Change Our Past: Urgent Action on AI Distortion of Historical Information. University of Notre Dame. Report. https://doi.org/10.7274/30803867.v1
- Podcast interview with Daniel Banoura for *Across the Divide Podcast* Augst 21, 2026, https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/across-the-divide-podcast/id1714814860?i=1000784898039
- Participated in a podcast "Religion & Teaching in Times of Tension," as part of the Religion & Podcast based at Indiana University, December 11, 2025, https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/religion-teaching-in-times-of-tension/id1770514466?i=1000740868874

- Was interviewed on the American Unexceptionalism Podcast, an episode titled "Israel, Palestine, and Christian Zionism," November 28, 2025 https://podcasts.apple.com/jp/podcast/006-israel-palestine-and-christian-zionism/id1845897584?i=1000738490658
- Was interviewed for a piece at The Chronicle of Higher Education, June 9, 2025 **https://www.chronicle.com/article/in-public-harvard-is-fighting-trump-quietly-its-dismantling-a-program-the-white-house-doesnt-like**

- Was interviewed for the May 16, 2025, podcast, "Occupied Thoughts," by Foundation for Middle East Peace Fellow Peter Beinart. Atalia and Dr. Lara Jirmanus addressed Harvard University's two new reports, one on Islamophobia and anti-Palestinian bias, and the other on antisemitism and anti-Israel bias.
- Was a panelist as part of a webinar, "Christian Zionism and the Interruption of Black-Palestinian Solidarity," which marked the launch of the Institute for the Study of Christian Zionism led by Friends of Sabeel North America (FOSNA). The webinar aired May 14 2025.
- Wrote an op-ed for *The Guardian* on the conflation of Jewish identity with loyalty to Israel, which ran May 9, 2025.
- Was interviewed for the podcast, "Kwok 'n' Roll." The segment focused on Jewish resistance to the Palestinian genocide and aired on April 8, 2025.
- Was quoted in an article published April 4, 2025 in the *National Catholic Reporter* on Harvard Divinity School's announcement that it was pausing its Religion, Conflict and Peace Initiative, a program that focused on Israel-Palestine as a case study.
- Is noted within a March 19, 2025, article published by *Religion News Service* regarding a letter signed by 2,400 Jewish scholars declaring its signers will not voluntarily collaborate with federal immigration enforcement or the Anti-Defamation League, which supported the arrest of Columbia University protester Mahmoud Khalil.
- Quoted in *Religion News Service* article, "Trump renamed the Gulf of Mexico. Pro-Israel Christian groups hope the West Bank is Next," February 20, 2025.
- Quoted in *Newsweek* article, "Israel-Hamas War: What it Will Take to Rebuild Gaza," January 27, 2025.
- Quoted in *The Observer* article, "Notre Dame Professors Comment on the Israel-Palestine Ceasefire" January 27, 2025.
- Provided expertise on Palestine/Israel for a collaboration project led by Notre Dame-IBM Tech Ethics Lab focusing on the modulation of collective memory and its ethical implications. The project intends to result in policy briefs.
- highlighted in a *Notre Dame News* article for my role in the "On the Ground in Israel-Palestine" panel, part of the University's Israel-Palestine series and the Notre Dame 2024-25 Forum, "What Do We Owe Each Other?" The article was published Dec. 12, 2024 and again in the *Notre Dame News Weekly Digest* Dec. 13, 2024.
- Hour-long podcast episode, "American Neocons, Christian Zionists & Israeli Fascism w/Atalia Omer" *The Fire These Times* November 20, 2024 https://thefirethesetimes.com/2024/11/20/american-neocons-christian-zionists-israeli-fascism-w-atalia-omer/
- Participated in closed door policy dialogue "Religious & Interreligious Engagement in Peacebuilding in the Middle East Crisis), Rome, Italy, June 2024.
- Cited in Cassidy Klein, "Notre Dame Protesters say they are living out Catholic values" *U.S. Catholic* June 10, 2024, https://uscatholic.org/articles/202406/notre-dame-protesters-say-they-are-living-out-catholic-values/
- Was interviewed for a Q&A that ran online June 28, 2024 on the website of her alma mater, Religion and Public Life, the Harvard Divinity School, https://rpl.hds.harvard.edu/news/2024/06/28/critical-caretaking-qa-with-atalia-omer
- Authored a piece on the history of the Israeli peace camp, "Israeli Peace Activists are More Anguished than ever – in a movement that has always been diverse and divided, with differing visions of 'peace'" *The Conversation* (March 4th, 2024), https://theconversation.com/israeli-peace-activists-are-more-anguished-than-ever-in-a-movement-that-has-always-been-diverse-and-divided-with-differing-visions-of-peace-223273

- Authored a piece on American Jewish Palestine solidarity, "For Many American Jews Protesting for Palestinians, activism is a Journey rooted in their Jewish Values" *The Conversation* (May 21, 2024) https://theconversation.com/for-many-american-jews-protesting-for-palestinians-activism-is-a-journey-rooted-in-their-jewish-values-229228
- Wrote an opinion piece, "Stop Weaponizing the Holocaust" *The Hill* (November 4, 2023) https://thehill.com/opinion/international/4292028-stop-weaponizing-the-holocaust/
- Interviewed on Australian Broadcasting Company's The Religion and Ethics Report, "The Biblical Story of Amalek Evoked by Netanyahu," January 24, 2024, https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/religionandethicsreport/what-s-the-biblical-story-of-amalek-evoked-by-netanyahu/103380802
- Was interviewed by *Al Arabiya News* for a Feb. 7, 2024 article on the suspension of funding to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) in response to Israel's allegations against the agency.
- Was quoted in an article in the Nov. 9, 2023, issue of the *Washington Post* on the difference in definition between a "ceasefire" and a "humanitarian pause."
- Was interviewed as part of an article that ran (statewide) in the Nov. 4, 2023 issue of *The Herald Bulletin* (Anderson, IN) about the Jewish community's support for a ceasefire and condemnation of Israel's attack on Gaza.
- *Was interviewed about the humanitarian issues affecting Palestinian civilians amid the ongoing war in Gaza. The segment aired on Dec. 27 2023 on WNDU-TV.*
- *Featured in a podcast, "Across the Divide – About The Church and Gaza: A Palestinian Christian Response." The episode aired Dec. 8 but was recorded as part of an event within the annual American Academy of Religion conference, which took place Nov. 18-21 2023 in San Antonio, Texas.*
- Completed an interview with *Beijing News* for an article about how a military option isn't the right choice for an Israel/Palestine resolution that ran Nov. 13, 2023
- Was featured as part of the half-hour Nov. 13 2023 podcast on *"Areva Martin in Real Time,"* with the segment focused on the topic, "Understanding the Christian Right's Position on Israel." The segment also aired on *KBLA Talk Radio.*
- Was interviewed for a Q&A in the Nov. 12, 2023, issue of *The Hotchkiss Record*, the official publication of The Hotchkiss School based in Connecticut.
- Was featured as part of a Nov. 10 2023 article in *Reckon* focused on a shifting interpretation by younger American Jews of their identity and affiliation to Israel given Israel's politics.
- Was interviewed for *"Areva Martin in Real Time"* about the Israel/Palestine war, which ran as a half-hour podcast and on *KBLA Talk Radio* on Oct. 30 2023.
- Quoted in an *NPR Radio* segment about the viability of a two-state solution for Israel/Palestine. The piece ran nationally on Oct. 27, being picked up by several regional NPR stations – for example Illinois.
- Quoted in Martin et al. "On University Campuses, Students Wrestle with Israel-Hamas War" *The Christian Science Monitor* October 13, 2023 https://www.csmonitor.com/USA/2023/1013/On-university-campuses-students-wrestle-with-Israel-Hamas-war
- Was interviewed as part of an article in the Oct. 18, 2023 issue of *Le Devoir* about the Palestinian Authority and the war in Gaza.
- Quoted in Noureldein Ghanem, "What Would a Potential Saudi-Israel normalization deal Mean for Palestine?" *TRTWorld* September 27, 2023, https://www.trtworld.com/middle-east/what-would-a-potential-saudi-israel-normalisation-deal-mean-for-palestine-15075690
- Hosted a conversation with Prof George Lopez on Peace Policy Issue on Nuclear War & Climate Change *Kroc Cast* *https://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/podcasts/the-kroc-cast/* (December 2023)
- Moderated (with Josh Lupo) podcast on "Broken Solidarities" *KrocCast* *https://thekroccast.podbean.com/e/religion-and-broken-solidarities/* (May 2023).
- Interviewed/Contributed for "The Invasion of Iraq: Perspectives on War 20 Years Later" *Notre Dame News* (March 20, 2023) https://news.nd.edu/news/the-invasion-of-iraq-perspectives-on-war-20-years-later/
- Quoted in the *Middle East Eye* article "Stop weaponising antisemitism: Jewish scholars urge UN members to support Israel probe" (24 August 2022)
- Co-edited and wrote "Introduction" with Ruth Carmi, "Women and Peacebuilding" *Peace Policy* (Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, May 2022), https://peacepolicy.nd.edu/

- Moderated, A Kroc Podcast with contributors for Kroc's *Peace Policy* issue of May 2022 https://go.nd.edu/WomenPeacebuildingPod
- Moderated, A Kroc Podcast featuring a conversation about Shaul Magid's work on Meir Kahane and Kahanism https://thekroccast.podbean.com/e/a-conversation-with-shaul-magid-and-friends-on-meir-kahane-and-political-theology/ July 7, 2022
- Quoted in Zainab Iqbal and Umar A Farooq, "Pro-Palestine activists welcome Congress resolution recognising Nakba." *Middle East Eye*. 18 May 2022 https://www.middleeasteye.net/news/palestine-activists-welcome-nakba-resolution-united-states-congress
- Participated in George Mason University-Harvard Divinity School's Workshop on "New Approaches for Religion in U.S. Foreign Policy: The Domestic-External Nexus" (February 2022, virtual).
- Served, Steering Committee for "New Approaches to Religion in U.S. Foreign Policy," Luce Foundation's driven consultation intent on offering a synthetic introspection of approaches to religion and US foreign policy in addition to highlighting new horizons, led by Professor Peter Mandaville, George Mason University, since January 2022.
- Participated in a Consultation (Phase 1): Transforming Divided Cities, *Center for Religion & Diplomacy* (ICRD), March 15, 2022.
- Participated in consultation with the **United Nations' Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion and Belief**, Ahmed Shaheed (consultation took place on December 8th, 2021
- Statement from Atalia Omer on Israel's designation of Palestinian human rights groups as 'terrorist organizations'" *Kroc Institute* October 25, 2021 https://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/news/statement-from-atalia-omer-on-israels-designation-of-palestinian-groups-as-terrorist-organizations/
- Participated in a panel of experts on SCOPE, *Indus News* August 12, 2021
- A podcast discussion "Book Preview: Indonesian Pluralities" *The Kroc Cast: Peace Studies Conversations* June 23, 2021 https://thekroccast.podbean.com/e/book-preview-indonesian-pluralities/?fbclid=IwAR3PoyJ3sEH2CUTlo3N-ivu86-YAUMYPBFq95LiLnLu30xO_us9RQuoxhlI
- A podcast discussion, "Decoloniality, Religion and Contending Modernities" *The Kroc Cast: Peace Studies Conversations* June 16, 2021 https://thekroccast.podbean.com/e/decoloniality-religion-and-contending-modernities/
- quoted in Erin Brady, "Some Palestinians Temporarily Avoid Eviction in New Israeli Court Ruling" *Newsweek* March 1, 2022.
- Quoted in Brooke Anderson, "Why Ben & Jerry's decision presents a BDS dilemma for Israel" *The New Arab* July 26, 2021.
- *Quoted in The New Arab,* "An awaking in Washington as pro-Palestine demonstrations and congressional support gain momentum"
- was quoted in the *The New Arab* article "How Palestine and BDS became part of New York's mayoral race."
- Response to the Human Rights Watch report on Palestine-Israel" May 3, 2021 *Kroc Institute* https://kroc.nd.edu/news-events/news/response-to-the-human-rights-watch-report-on-palestine-israel/
- Quoted in Arianna Skibell, "J Street finally wants the US to think beyond the two-state solution" *972 Magazine* April 16, 2021 https://www.972mag.com/j-street-confederation-israel-palestine/
- Quoted in Aaron Freedman, "What Happened to IfNotNow?" *Jewish Currents* April 26, 2021 https://jewishcurrents.org/what-happened-to-ifnotnow/
- "Engaging Religion or Domesticating Religion? An Interview with Atalia Omer" an interview conducted by Judd Birdall, *Religion & Diplomacy* November 25, 2020 https://religionanddiplomacy.org.uk/2020/11/25/engaging-religion-or-domesticating-religion-an-interview-with-atalia-omer/
- quoted in the *Forbes* article "The Peace Pact With Israel, Bahrain And The UAE Is Good Business — The Carbon Cause Included.
- was quoted in the *Lifewire* article "Facebook Ban of Holocaust Denial Considered Too Little, Too Late."
- A Conversation with Orly Noy on translation as radical politics as part of the Kroc Institute's *Peace in a Time of Pandemic* Video Short Series, https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=735366533925402 (released July 8, 2020) "Episode 6: Movements for Justice in Israel-Palestine and the United States"

- Interview by Nathan Goldman, "A New Generation of Jewish Activists Is Transforming Judaism Itself" *The Nation* 26 September 2019 https://www.thenation.com/article/bds-anti-zionist-activism-atalia-omer-interview/

- Interviewed on Here & Now on how to make sense of the pattern of targeting of places of worship April 29, 2019 https://www.wbur.org/hereandnow/2019/04/29/california-synagogue-shooting

- Harry Bruinius, "On College Campuses, a question of what constitutes anti-Semitism" *The Christian Science Monitor* October 11. 2018 https://www.csmonitor.com/EqualEd/2018/1011/On-college-campuses-a-question-of-what-constitutes-anti-Semitism

- Served on Sub-committee on Religion, Women, and Peacebuilding for the U.S. State Department (Summer and Fall 2016)

- Shaul Magid, "Exploring the Crack in Liberalism in Israel/Palestine: Reading Atalia Omer's When Peace is Not Enough After Bernie Sanders" in *Tikkun* 23 June 2016 http://www.tikkun.org/nextgen/exploring-the-crack-in-liberalism-in-israelpalestine-reading-atalia-omers-when-peace-is-not-enough-after-bernie-sanders-3

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Editorial and Advisory Boards & Consulting

Board of Directors, Member for the Foundation for Middle East Peace (2024-present)

Advisory Board of Institute for the Study of Christian Zionism (since 2025-)
Academic Advisory Committee, Archive of the Jewish Left (2022-)
Academic Advisory Committee Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Michigan (2022-2023)
Literatures of Annihilation, Exile & Resistance: Interdisciplinary Approaches to the Global Middle East and North Africa (2020-2026)
Edinburgh Studies on Diasporas and Transnationalism, a book series of Edinburgh University Press (2019-present)
Journal of Religious Ethics Editorial Board (2018-present)
Journal of the American Academy of Religion Editorial Board (2013-present)
Journal of Religion, Conflict, and Peace (2011-2014)
Journal of the Sociology of Religion (2011-2014)
Catholic Relief Service (consultant for Learning Event in Bosnia, 2017)
Jesuit Refugee Service (Serve on Advisory Committee to review JRS' mission, values, capacity-building tools, and programs from an interfaith perspective)
Alliance for Peacebuilding (Consulted as part of a 2016 Conference in Istanbul focusing on developing a Guide for Effective Inter-Religious Action in Peacebuilding)
International Studies Association, Religion & International Relation Unit, Committee for the selection of best graduate student paper.

Other Selected Service

Co-editor of *Palestine/Israel Review* (since December 2024).

Co-Lead with Zachary Sell, "Critical Empire Studies," The Kellogg Institute, The University of Notre Dame (2026-present).

Guest co-editor of Special Issue on the Palestine Genocide in *Journal of Political Theology* (forthcoming 2026).

Co-lead with Dr. Nuno Moniz, The Kellogg Institute & The Lucy Family Institute's Algorithmic Meditation and Memory Working Group for 2025-2026 (postponed).

Member of Multiracial Democracy Working Group, The University of Notre Dame's Democracy Initiative (2025-2027)

Co-lead, together with Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian, Diane L. Moore & Hilary Rantisi, an international reading group (virtual) investigating "Global Cartographies of Sacralized Politics: Christian-Zionism and its Psycho-Political Economy" (2023-2024).

Co-lead, together with Diane L. Moore and Hilary Rantisi, an international reading group (virtual) "Decolonizing the Palestine/Israel Syllabus: What does Religion Have to do with It?" (2021-2023).

Serves on the Executive Committee of the American Academy of Religion (elected 2021)

Co-Chair, Religion, Social Conflicts, and Peace Unit, *American Academy of Religion* (since 2015)

Co-Director, *Contending Modernities: A Global Research Initiative exploring how religious and secular forces interact in the modern world* (since 2015)

Faculty lead organizing Peace Research Education Seminar (2015-2017 & 2019-2020)

Faculty lead organized informal reading groups of Kroc students, faculty, and visiting fellows (spring 2016 & Spring 2019)

Participant, SEED (Seeking Education Equity & Diversity) Program, involving monthly sessions throughout the year (2016-17)

Selected Courses

The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict through Film (undergraduate and graduate)
Religion, Nationalism, and Settler Colonialism: The Case of Israel/Palestine (undergraduate and graduate)
Decolonizing the Palestine/Israel Syllabus: What does Religion Have to do with this? (graduate)
Narratives of Displacement & Belonging in Israel/Palestine (graduate)
Introduction to Peace Studies (undergraduate)
Jerusalem: Peace or Apocalypse? (undergraduate and graduate)
Religion, Nationalism, and Peace (undergraduate and graduate)
Religion in International and Global Relations (undergraduate)
Jewish Politics and Modernity (undergraduate and graduate)
Religion, Violence & the Practice of Peace (undergraduate and graduate)
Religion in Global and International Contexts: Theories & Methods in the Study of Religion (graduate)
Religion, Gender, and Development (undergraduate and graduate)
A History of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict (undergraduate)
Junior and Senior Seminars in Peace Studies (undergraduate)