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Education

- 2008 PhD, Department of International Relations, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
Deterrence Communities: The Success of a Rational Norm in the Relations of the Superpowers, 1950-1973. (best PhD dissertation award, the *Israeli Political Science Association*)
- 2002 MA in International Relations, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- 1999 BA (*magna cum laude*) in Political Science and Communications, Bar-Ilan University.

Appointments

- 2024 - Head, Frances Brody Institute for Diplomacy
- 2023 - Associate Professor, School of Political Science, Government and International Affairs, Tel Aviv University.
- 2016-2023 Senior Lecturer (with tenure), School of Political Science, Government and International Affairs, Tel Aviv University.
- 2015- Research Fellow, The Interdisciplinary Cyber Research Center. Tel Aviv University.
- 2009-2016 Lecturer, School of Political Science, Government and International Affairs, Tel Aviv University.

Former Affiliations

- 2017-2018 Faculty Fellow, The School of International Service, American University
- 2014 Visiting scholar, Centre for Conflict Resolution of International Conflicts, University of Copenhagen.
- 2008-2009 Post-doctoral fellow, Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- 2007-2008 Post-doctoral fellow, Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto.

Publications

Book

The Power of Deterrence. Emotions, Identity and American and Israeli Wars of resolve. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (2016). (Awarded the best book prize of the Israeli Political Science Association)

Articles

- How to Avoid Ontological Security Dilemmas: Toward Building a Policy Theory. *Journal of International Relations and Development* 29(1) (2026)
- The War in Ukraine: Deterrence, Rituals and Ontological Security. *Global Studies Quarterly* 6(1) (2026).
- Securitization, Deterrence, and Extended Deterrence by Denial: The War in Ukraine. *Foreign Policy Analysis* 20(4) (2024).
- Israeli Deterrence and the October 7 Attack. *Strategic Assessment* 27(1): 59-79 (2024).
- Deterrence by Delivery of Arms: NATO and the War in Ukraine. *Contemporary Security Policy* 44(4): 624-641 (2023).
- Deterrence through Inflicting Costs: Between Deterrence by Punishment and Deterrence

- by Denial. *International Studies Review* 25(3): 1-23 (2023).
- Ontological Security, Cyber Technology and States' Responses. *European Journal of International Relations*. 29(1): 153–178 (2023).
 - The Dual-Use Security Dilemma and the Social Construction of Insecurity. *Contemporary Security Policy* 42(3): 257-285 (2021).
 - The Dog that didn't Bark, the Dog that Did Bark, and the Dog that Should Have Barked: A Methodology for Cyber Deterrence Research. *International Studies Review* 23(4): 1678-1692 (2021).
 - Toward a Securitization Theory of Deterrence. *International Studies Quarterly* 63(1): 177-186 (2019)
 - Constitution Making and International Relations Theories. *International Studies Perspectives* 20(4): 412-434 (2019) (with Hanna Lerner).
 - The 'Attribution Problem' and the Social Construction of 'Violence': Taking Cyber Deterrence Literature a Step Forward. *International Studies Perspectives* 17(3): 322-342 (2016).
 - Securitization Climax: Putting the Iranian Nuclear Project at the Top of the Israeli Public Agenda (2009-2012). *Foreign Policy Analysis* 12(3): 413-432 (2016).
 - The Limits of Securitization Theory: Observational Criticism and the Curious Absence of Israel. *International Studies Review* 16(3): 390-410 (2014).
 - Pacification: Toward a Theory of the Social Construction of Peace. *International Studies Review* 15(2): 204-228 (2013).
 - Me and the Other in IR: An Alternative Pluralist International Relations 101. *International Studies Perspectives* 14(3): 235-254 (2013).
 - Ontological Dissonance, Clashing Identities, and Israel's Unilateral Steps towards the Palestinians. *Review of International Studies* 38(4): 809-833 (2012).
 - Cyber Warfare and Deterrence: Trends and Challenges, *Military and Strategic Affairs* 3(3): 41-5 (2011).
 - The Emerging Fourth Wave of Deterrence Theory—Toward a New Research Agenda. *International Studies Quarterly* 54(3): 705-732 (2010).
 - Constructivist Methods: A Plea and Manifesto for Pluralism. *Review of International Studies* 35(1): 195-218 (2009).
 - Discourse, Identity and Security – The Israeli Deterrence and the Second Lebanon War. *Politika* 17: 73-96 (2008) (in Hebrew).

Book Chapters

- Uncertainty and the Study of Cyber Deterrence: The Case of Israel's Limited Reliance on Cyber Deterrence. In *Cyber Security: Socio-Technological Uncertainty and Political Fragmentation*, edited by Myriam Dunn Cavelty and Andreas Wenger, 128–140. London: Routledge (2022)
- Ontological Security and the Continuation of the Arab-Israeli Conflict. In *Resolving International Conflicts. Dynamics of Escalation, Continuation and Transformation*, edited by Isabel Bramsen, Poul Poder, and Ole Wæver, 215-228. London: Routledge (2019).
- The Spiraling Effect. Emotional Representation and International Interactions. In *Methodology and Emotion in International Relations: Parsing the Passions*, edited by Eric Van Rythoven and Mira Sucharov, 97-112. London: Routledge (2019).
- Ontological Security and the Israeli–Palestinian Peace Process: Between Unstable Conflict and Conflict in Resolution. In *Conflict Resolution and Ontological Security: Peace Anxieties*, edited by Bahar Rumelili, 31-51. London: Routledge (2015).
- "Offensive Liberalism" a Critical Appraisal. In *Regional Peacemaking and Conflict Management. A Comparative Approach*, edited by Carmela Lutmar and Benjamin Miller,

274-284. London: Routledge (2015).

Other publications

- Deterrence and Fear: Incorporating Emotions into the Field of Research. *E-IR* (August, 2020)
- Securitization Forum: Are They Just Not That into It? *Duck of Minerva* (September 2015).

Awards and Fellowships

* If not indicated otherwise, all grants are personal fellowships

2026	Workshop grant, Israel Science Foundation (19,500\$)
2025-2027	The Shaken Israeli Home: Navigating Physical and Ontological Security. Israel Science Foundation (135,000\$)
2024-2025	Assist your Neighbors to Help Themselves: Deterrence and Israel-Greece-Cyprus Relations (lead PI) (41,000\$), Ministry of Regional Cooperation.
2020-2024	Ontological Security and Cyber Technology. Israel Science Foundation (135,000\$)
2019 - 2020	Cyber Interdisciplinary Research Center. Tel Aviv University (individual research grant). (50,000\$)
2016 - 2019	Cyber Interdisciplinary Research Center. Tel Aviv University (group research grant) (lead PI). (82,000\$)
2017	Best book award, the Israeli Political Science Association.
2016-2018	Blavatnik Interdisciplinary Cyber Research Center. Tel Aviv University (individual research grant) (41,000\$)
2008	Best PhD dissertation, The Israeli Political Science Association.

Article Manuscript Reviewer for:

Alternatives, Australian Journal of Politics and History, British Journal of Politics and International Relations, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Central European Journal of International and Security Studies, Conflict Resolution Quarterly, Contemporary Security Policy, Cooperation and Conflict, Critical Discourse Studies, Defense Studies, European Journal of International Relations, European Journal of International Security, European Security, Foreign Policy Analysis, Global Studies Quarterly, International Affairs, International Interactions, International Peacekeeping, International Relations, International Studies Perspectives, International Studies Review, International Studies Quarterly, International Theory, Israel Studies Review, Journal of Global Security Studies, Journal of International Relations and Development, Journal of Political Science Education, Journal of Politics, Media, War and Conflict, Military and Strategic Affairs (in Hebrew), Millennium, Political Psychology, Postcolonial Studies, Public Sphere (in Hebrew), Research Policy, Review of International Studies, Security Dialogue, Security Studies, Strategic Assessment (in Hebrew), The International Spectator, Theory and Criticism (in Hebrew), Third World Quarterly.

Books Manuscript Reviewer for:

Cambridge University Press, Edinburgh University Press; Routledge, Springer.

Research Grants Reviewer for:

Social Sciences and Humanities Council of Canada; Israel Science Foundation

Service

2024 – Brody Institute for Diplomacy, Tel Aviv University, Head of the institute.

2021 – *Politika: The Israeli Journal of Political Science & International Relations*, Editorial Board Member.

2021 – MA Program in Diplomatic Studies, Head of the Program.

2020 - *Global Studies Quarterly*, Editorial Board Member.

2019 Annual Conference of the Israeli Association for International Studies, Chair and Program Manager.

2018 - The Israeli Association for International Studies, Member of the Executive Committee.

2016 - 2017 European Union Studies Program, Tel Aviv University, Head of the Program.

2015 - 2017 BA Advisor, School of Political Science, Government and International Affairs, BA Curricular Advisor.