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**Education:**

**Ph.D.** in Education - Home Schooling in Israel

**M.Sc.** (with honors) in Zoology

**Research interests**

Home Schooling:

- The process of choosing to home school, the reasons for this choice, the significance of the choice itself, and the ramifications for home schooling families.
- Home schooling as the ultimate form of parental involvement in their child's education.
- Home schooling as a response to the crisis in education.
- The overall significance of the home schooling phenomena and its role in better understanding education today and in the future.

Program Evaluation:

- Evaluation utilization
- Participatory evaluation
- Formative evaluation

**Preferred research methods**

- Qualitative research
- Computer assisted qualitative research
- Mixed methods research

**Academic positions:**

- Senior lecturer
- Chair. Management in Educational Systems - Department of education

**Other Professional and Administrative Activities:**

- Member, Academic council – WGC

- Member, Academic teaching committee – WGC
- Member, Academic teaching committee – WGC under the auspice of Bar-Ilan University
- Member, Disciplinary committee – WGC
- Member, Steering committee for the promotion of academic teaching – WGC
- Member, financial committee – annual meeting of the board of trustees - WGC
- Evaluator, Akko project for the enhancement of reading acquisition amongst elementary students with learning disabilities
- Coordinator, George Washington University and Western Galilee Academic College (GWU-WGU) collaboration
- Member, Steering committee - the center for futurism in education - BGU

### **Awards:**

- The Eival Gilady award for excellence in teaching, research and Service to the academic community

### **Academic publications**

Neuman, A., & Aviram, A. (2014). Home Schooling – the Choice and the Consequences. In p.j.rothermel (Ed.), *Intercultural Perspectives on Home Based Education*, UK: Palgrave Macmillan (In press)

Neuman, A., Shahor, N., Shina, I. Sarid, A. & Saar, Z. (2012) Evaluation utilization research - developing a theory and putting it to use. *Evaluation and Program Planning*, 36 pp. 64-70

Neuman, A. & Shahor, N. (2010) Co-Evaluation. In M. Levin-Rozalis & R.Savaya (eds.) *Evaluation in Israel*. Ben Gurion University Press. [Hebrew].

Neuman, A., & Aviram, A. (2008). Home Schooling - A Rational Choice in a Postmodern World or "There's a Little Child Saying the Emperor hasn't Got Anything On". *The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences*, 3, 185-194.

Shahor, N., Neuman, A., Shina, I., Sarid, A., & Saar, Z. (2008). Evaluation utilization: 15 years perspective within a single organization, or "Do they pay any attention to Us?". *The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences*, 3, 103 - 112.

Neuman, A & Shahor, N. (2007) Co-Evaluation or "Two are Better than One". *The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences* 2, 3, 377-386.

Shahor, N. & Neuman, A. (2005) Co-evaluation – From the Object of the Evaluation to the Conceptualization of the Act of Evaluation. Included in: R. Lustig (Editor) *From the Theory to the Field and Back – A Collection of Articles*. Beer Sheva: Ayelet\_[Hebrew].

Neuman, A. & Aviram R. (2003) "Home Schooling as a Fundamental Change in Lifestyle". *Evaluation and Research in Education* 17, 2 & 3, 132-143.

### **Selected Evaluation Reports**

Neuman, A, Neuman, R & Neuman, R. (2014) Quality of life of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities living in Half Way Home (shlucha) – research conducted for the Israeli ministry of social affairs and social services - **Evaluation report**. Muvanim – Evaluation Team [Hebrew].

Neuman, A, Neuman, R., and Boguslavsky, L. (2013) Maoor Ben-Zion Project in the kindergartens of Petah-Tikva – 4<sup>th</sup> year – **Evaluation report**. Muvanim – Evaluation Team [Hebrew].

Neuman, A, Neuman, R. & Bar-Lev, L. (2012) *EYAL* program, I can succeed - **Evaluation report**. The national insurence institue [Hebrew].

Neuman, A., Shahor, T., Shina, I. Barsilay-Saham, Y. & Strakov, V. (2009) *IEC in the north of Israel* – **Evaluation report**. Muvanim – Evaluation Team [Hebrew].

Neuman, A., Shina, I., Neuman, R., Ben-Dori, R., & Strakov, V. (2008). *The Children-Friendly Kindergarten Program Funded by the Bernard Van Leer Foundatio* - **Evaluation report**. Muvanim – Evaluation Team.

Neuman, A. & Dagesh, C. (2007) *Process for Developing Bi-Lingual Curricula* – **Evaluation Report** [Hebrew].

Neuman, A. & Shahor, N. (2006) *Mirkam in the Galilee* – *Evaluation Up to this Point* – **Evaluation Report** [Hebrew].

## **Papers Presented at Scientific Conferences**

Guterman, O. & Neuman, A. (June, 2014) *Old/New way to learn – home-schooling (or the past and future of education)*. Paper presented at 12th International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities. Madrid, Spain

Akirav, O. & Neuman, A. (February, 2014) *The role of team work in the assimilation of changes in teaching attitudes and in IT assisted teaching methods*. Paper presented at the 9th Chais Conference for the Study of Innovation and Learning Technologies, Raanana, Israel.

Neuman, A & Guterman, O (January, 2013) *Home schooling - the ultimate form of parental involvement in their children's education*. Paper presented at the 1<sup>st</sup> international conference on Family, Education and Media in a Diverse Society. Jerusalem, Israel.

Neuman, A. & Sarid, A. (2010, October) *Evaluating the evaluation or from development of theory to advancing evaluation utilization*. Paper presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> European Evaluation Society International Conference, Prague, Czech Republic

Neuman, A., Shahor, N., Shina, I., Sarid, A. & Saar, Z. (2010, February) *Evaluation Utilisation – creating a concept map*. Paper presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Israeli interdisciplinary conference on qualitative research. Beer-Sheva, Israel.

Neuman, A., Shahor, N., Shina, I., Sarid, A. & Saar, Z. (2010, February) *Internal evaluation in time of organisational changes*. Paper presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> Israeli evaluation association (*Ayelet*). Tel-Aviv, Israel.

Neuman, A (2008, July) *Home Schooling: A Rational Choice in a Postmodern World, or "There's a Little Child Saying the Emperor Hasn't Got Anything On"*. Paper presented at the 3rd International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Prato Italy.

Neuman, A & Shahor, N. (2008, July) *Evaluation Utilization: 15 Years Perspective within a Single Organization, or "Do They Pay Any Attention to Us?"*. Paper presented at the 3rd International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Prato Italy.

Shahor, N, Neuman, A. (2006, July) *Co-Evaluation, or Two are better than one*. Paper presented at the 2nd International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Granada, Spain

Neuman, A.(2006, May) *The importance of homeschooling*. Paper presented at the Mandel conference on Homeschooling. Jerusalem, Israel.

Neuman, A., Shahor, N. (2005, February) *From Evaluation subject to Evaluation Conceptualisation*. Paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> Israeli evaluation association (*Ayelet*). The Max Stern Yezreel Valley College, Israel.