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Curriculum Vitae

1. Personal Data

Name in Hebrew: ד"ר חיים שפרבר
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2. Education Certificates and Degrees

<u>Education</u>	<u>Institute</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>From - To</u>
First Degree	Haifa University	Political Science Jewish History	1978-1981
Second Degree	Bar Ilan University	Jewish History	1994-1996
Third Degree	Bar Ilan University	Jewish history	2001-2005

3. **Title of Master's Thesis:** Trends in the Historiography of the Jewish Immigration to England in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century.
Supervisor: Prof. Gershon Bacon.

Title of Doctoral Thesis: Jewish Leadership in an open society: Dynamics of change in the Anglo-Jewish Elite, 1828-1905.

Supervisor: Prof. Gershon Bacon.

4. Academic Ranks

<u>Rank</u>	<u>% Position</u>	<u>From - To</u>	<u>Institute</u>
Lecturer	50	2005-2011	Western Galilee college

Senior Lecturer 100 2011-current Western Galilee college

5. Grants and Awards

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name of Grant/Award</u>
2015	Eival Gilady Award of excellence in Teaching, Western Galilee College
2018	Sefer Center, Moscow

6. Research Grants

<u>From-To</u>	<u>Funding Agency</u>	<u>Title of Research</u>	<u>Amount</u>
July-September 2013	Hadassah Brandeis Institute	Helen Gartner Hammer Scholar-in-Residence, Hadassah-Brandeis Institute,	10500 \$
January-may 2015	Hadassah Brandeis Institute	HBI Seminar Series - Gender and Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Agunah Problem Scholar-in-Residence	17500 \$
February 2018	American Jewish Archives	Lowenstein Weiner Fellowship	2500\$

7. Active Participation in Conferences (Only from 2001)

Sperber, H., Teaching a fully Virtual course - some lessons - **Conference on contemporary issues in higher education, College of Judea and Samaria**, September 3rd 2007 (Hebrew).

Sperber, H., Between Diaspora and Territory - the emergence of Jewish National movements in late 19th century Europe - **Beyond the Nation - Conference at Queen's University Belfast**, September 13th 2007.

Sperber, H., Philanthropy and Social Control in mid 19th Century English Jewish Community - **Charities as Instruments of Social Control in Nineteenth-Century Britain - International Conference, Université de Haute Bretagne (Rennes 2)**, France, 22-23 November 2007.

Sperber, H., Deserted women (Agunot) in Hebrew Newspapers 1857-1876 - Poster session at the **39th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies**, Toronto, Canada, 16-18 December 2007.

Sperber, H., Agunot and Immigration, 1857-1896 - **Jewish Immigration and the Family. International conference at the Kaplan Centre, University of Cape Town**, South Africa in association with the Parkes Institute, University of Southampton, 5-7 January 2009.

Sperber H., The Deserted Jewish Women Phenomenon in Eastern European Jewish Society as manifested in the Hebrew Press, 1857-1896 - **15th World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem** 2-6 August 2009 (Hebrew).

Sperber, H., Rabbi Nathan Adler and the formulation of the Chief Rabbinate in Britain, 1845-1890 - **The German Rabbinate Abroad, A joint conference of the Program for Jewish History and Culture at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich (LMU Munich) and the Akademie fuer Politische Bildung, Tutzing** at Lake Starnberg, 18-20 October 2009.

Sperber, H., Agunot, Modernization and Immigration, 1857-1896 - **Association for Jewish Studies 41th Annual Conference, Los Angeles**, 20-22 December 2009.

Sperber, H. Israeli Archives as Agents of Memory in an Immigrant society - **The Archive and Jewish Migration: From Antiquity to the Present, Cape-Town, South Africa**, 11 - 13 April 2011.

Sperber, H., **Online conference: The Changing face of War** - Comment on: "Transformation in contact - learning the lessons of modern war", Oxford: 14-20.11.2011. <http://wileyblackwellexchanges.com/2011/11/15/conference-paper-transformation-in-contact-learning-the-lessons-of-modern-war>.

Sperber, H., Agunot and Modernity in East European Jewish Society 1857-1896 - **Facing Secularization – The modern Jewish family between Tradition and Modernity, Western Galilee College, Akko, Israel**, 9 January 2012.

Sperber, H., Jewish Community reactions towards Jewish Criminality in late Nineteenth Century Odessa - **Port Towns and Urban Culture, Portsmouth, UK**, 25-27 July 2013.

Sperber, H., From Charity to Philanthropy: philanthropy and social control in 19th century Anglo-Jewry - **16th World Congress for Jewish Studies, Jerusalem** 28 July - 1 August 2013. (Hebrew).

Sperber, H., Chief Rabbi Nathan Adler (1845-1890) and the institutionalization of the British Chief Rabbinate - **Chief Rabbis between Religious and Political Leadership, Bar Ilan University**, 8 June 2014 (Hebrew).

Sperber, H., Chained Women (Agunot) and the Modernization of the East European Jewish Family - **Mishpachah: the Jewish Family in Tradition and**

Transition: The 27th Annual Klutznick-Harris-Schwalb Symposium, University of Nebraska at Omaha & Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska, 26-27 October 2014.

Sperber, H., Agunot in Eastern Europe & North America 1900-1914 - **46th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies, Baltimore, Maryland, 14-16 December 2014.**

Sperber, H. & Galia R., Jewish Elite Philanthropy. From Charity to Philanthropy: Emancipation, Modernization, Ethnicity and Nationalism - **Charity in the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions, University of St Louis, Missouri, 26-27 March 2015.**

Sperber, H., Those Who Stayed Behind: The Impact of Immigration on Jewish Women and Jewish Family in Eastern Europe, 1870–1914 - **47th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies. Boston, Massachusetts, 13-15 December 2015.**

Sperber, H., Agunot: An Ever Changing Phenomenon - **17th World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem 6-10 August, 2017 (Hebrew).**

Sperber, H., Immigration networks, Port Cities and International trafficking – the role of Jews - **Representations of the 'Port Jew', University of Southampton, 22-23 May 2017.**

Sperber, H., Agunot - A Constantly Changing Phenomenon - **The Jewish Family Confronting Crisis in Modern Times (1800-2017): Divorce, Agunot and Inter-Marriage - An International Workshop, Western Galilee College, Akko, 8-9 March 2017.**

Sperber, H., Yiddish newspapers and mass immigration, 1897-1924 - **Jews on the Move: Exploring the movement of Jews, objects, texts, and ideas in space and time, British Association for Jewish Studies Annual Conference Edinburgh, 10-12 July 2017.**

Sperber, H., Is Zionism a Movement of Return? -**Next Year in Jerusalem: Exile and Return in Jewish History, The 30th Annual Symposium on Jewish Civilization, Omaha, NE, 29-30 October 2017.**

Sperber, H., & Amsalem, R., Agunot Database 1851-1914 - Applying Digital - **XIVth Annual International Conference for Professionals in Cultural Heritage, Jerusalem, Van Leer Institute., 13-14 November 2017, (Hebrew).**

Sperber, H., Agunot in the 20th century: a changing phenomenon - **11th congress of the European Association for Jewish Studies, Krakow, 15-19 July 2018.**

Sperber, H., Ego-Documents and Their Use in the Historical Research - Keynote talk. *Sussex in the Western Galilee: The Second World War, the Holocaust and their Repercussions*, Western Galilee College, Akko, 3-4 September 2018.

Sperber, H., Keynote talk – **The Usage of Ego-documents in Jewish Historical Research – An International Workshop, Western Galilee College, Akko, 27 May 2019.**

Sperber, H., Immigration issues as reflected in Immigrants correspondence with Jewish aid organizations, 1890-1914 - **The Usage of Ego-documents in Jewish Historical Research – An International Workshop, Western Galilee College, Akko, 28 May 2019.**

Sperber, H., Deserted wives and deserting husbands, 1851-1914 – **Migration in Israel's History and society – International Conference, Warburg Haus, Hamburg, 16 July 2019.**

Sperber, H., Odessa – **"Beyond the Metropolis: Jews and Settler Cities," University of Cape Town, 30 July 2019.**

8. Positions Held

<u>From-To</u>	<u>Institute</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>% Position</u>
2015-2018	Western Galilee College	Academic Coordinator Multi Disciplinary department	100
2018 -	Western Galilee College	Head, Multi Disciplinary Department	100

9. Scientific Areas of Specialization

History of the Jewish Family, Jewish Philanthropy, Immigration, Anglo-Jewish Leadership.

10. Academic Profile

I published studies on Wife desertion in Jewish Society, Jewish philanthropy in the UK & History of the chief rabbinate in the UK. I was twice Scholar in Residence at the Hadassah-Brandeis Institute at Brandeis University. In February 2018 I was a research fellow at the American Jewish Archives in Cincinnati. I am currently the Head of the Multi-disciplinary department in the college. I have organized four international workshops at the College and was a member of the organizing committee of the Israeli historical society Annual conference on immigration.

Publications

Haim Sperber Ph.D

Hebrew:

1. שפרבר, ח'. (2010). תופעת הנשים העגונות בחברה היהודית במזרח אירופה וביטוייה בעיתונות היהודית 1857-1896. קשר 40, 102-108 (דרוג B)

2. שפרבר, ח'. (2011). ספרי שאלות ותשובות כמקור לחקר תופעת הנשים העגונות בחברה היהודית (1850-1896 לערך). *Quntres: An Online Journal for History, Culture and the Art of the Jewish Book*, 2 (1) 47-58 (Rank B)

English:

3. Sperber, H. (2012). Philanthropy and Social Control in the Anglo-Jewish Community during the Mid-Nineteenth Century (1850-1880). *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies*, 11(1) 85-101 (Rank A)
4. Sperber, H. (2012). Rabbi Nathan Adler and the Formulation of the Chief Rabbinate in Britain, 1845–1890. *European Judaism* 45(2), 8-20. (Rank B).
5. Sperber, H. (2016). Agunot, Immigration and Modernization, From 1857 to 1896. in: Leonard Greenspoon (ed.), *Mishpachah: The Jewish Family in Tradition and in Transition* (Studies in Jewish Civilization, Vol. 27). (79-108). West Lafayette, Indiana: Purdue University Press.
6. Sperber, H. & Galia, R. (2017). Jewish Elite Philanthropy. From Charity to Philanthropy: Emancipation, Modernization, Ethnicity and Nationalism. in: Julia R. Lieberman & Michal Rozbiki (ed.), *Charity in the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions*.(131-144) Lannham, Maryland: Lexington.
7. Sperber, H. (2018). Agunot 1851-1914, An Introduction: The Jewish family. In Europe and the Mediterranean from the Middle Ages to our days. *Annales de démographie historique* (2018/2), (no. 136), pp. 107-135 (Rank A)
8. Sperber, H. (2019). Is Zionism a movement of Return?. In Leonard Greenspoon (ed.). *Next Year in Jerusalem: Exile and Return in Jewish History*. (Studies in

Jewish Civilization, Vol. 30). (127-133). West Lafayette, Indiana: Purdue University Press. (to be published -15 October 2019).

Invited paper:

1. Sperber, H. Odessa. In: Adam Mendelson & Tobias Brinkmann (eds). *Jews in new Cities*. Due to be published in early 2021.

Under Review:

1. שפרבר, ה. עגונות בארץ ישראל, 1851 – 1914. עיונים – כתב עת רב תחומי לחקר ישראל (לשעבר עיונים בתקומת ישראל) (דרוג A)
2. Sperber, H. Living in a new city: Jewish criminality in late 19th century Odessa - myth and reality. (20 Pages). *Association for Jewish Studies Review* (Rank A+)
3. Sperber, H. Agunot in America. (36 pages). *American Jewish History* (Rank A)

Book project:

1. Sperber, H. *Agunot 1851-1914*. (Due late 2020). First three chapters sent for review in July 2019 - Littman Library of Jewish Civilization – (Published by Liverpool University press).
2. Sperber, H. *Those who stayed back there - relations between Jewish immigrants to America and their families, 1891-1914*. (Due early 2022). Introduction and first chapter sent for review in August 2019 - Brandeis University press (member press of New England University press).