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Yotam Benziman – Curriculum Vitae

Higher Education

1992: B.A. in philosophy from the Hebrew University.

1997: M.A. in philosophy from the Hebrew University. Thesis title: “Friendship as an Ethical Concept.”

2001: PhD in philosophy from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Dissertation title: “Ethics, Impartiality, and Personal Relations.”

Sapir College teaching positions

2007-2010: Teaching at the M.A. program for Public Management and Policy, and Program for B.A. in Multidisciplinary Studies Tenure

2010: Lecturer, the Department of Public Management and Policy, and the Department of Multidisciplinary Studies

2011: Senior Lecturer

2015: Tenure

Hebrew University teaching positions

1996-2002: Assistant and instructor in the Philosophy Department and in the Program of History, Philosophy and Sociology of Sciences.

2000-2001: Teaching the course “Purposes of Jewish Living,” The Florence Melton Institute, Institute for Jewish Studies.

2002: Teaching the course “Ethics, Personal Relations and Impartiality” in the Philosophy Department.

2002-2007: Lecturer in the Revivim Program for excellent students in Jewish education. Supervising the Revivim Seminar and teaching the following courses: “Jewish Time and Calendar,” “Memory and Forgetting”, “Philosophical and Theological Conceptions of Forgiveness,” “The Ethics of Gratitude.”

2008: Lecturer in the Philosophy Department, teaching the course “Moral Aspects of Decision Making.”

2006- present: Lecturer in the Department of Political Science, teaching graduate and undergraduate courses on “Issues in Democratic Theory,” “Loyalty, Solidarity, and

Universal Values,” “Moral Dilemmas in Decision Making,” and “Forgiveness: Political and Personal Aspects.”

Teaching positions – other establishments

1996-1999: Member of the teaching staff at Elul, Beit-Midrash for secular and orthodox students.

1999-2002: Teacher and instructor at Kolot – an organization for the development of new Jewish leadership in Israel.

2004: Lecturer at the Art Academy Bezalel.

2006-2007: Teaching philosophy and Judaism at Ascolot - the Open University School for Interdisciplinary Studies.

2005-2008: Teaching philosophy and Judaism at the Kerem Institute for Humanistic Jewish Education.

2008- 2009: Visiting Professor at University of California, Santa Cruz

Conference presentations

March 2001: “Friendship and Ethics,” the Fourth Annual Conference of the New Israeli Philosophical Society, Haifa University.

June 2001: “My Right to Educate,” commenting on Edna Ullmann-Margalit’s paper “Not Only the Right but also the Duty to Educate,” in an International Conference on “Rights in Moral and Legal Theory,” Faculty of Law, the Hebrew University.

April 2002: “Friendship as a Moral Concept,” an International Conference on “The Ethics of Altruism,” Department of Social and Political Science, Royal Holloway, University of London.

January 2005: “To Imagine a Language Means to Imagine a Form of Life,” a conference on Jewish Education in the State Sector – The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute.

December 2008: Academic Director: “Hebrew as a Cultural Language,” The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute.

March 2010: “Feeling in Hebrew” – Keynote Lecture at the Annual Conference of the Center for Jewish Culture, Haifa University, and the World Union of Jewish Studies.

July 2010: “The (Un)translatability of Ethical Concepts,” The European Association for Jewish Studies Congress, Ravenna, Italy.

July 2011: “Forgiving Without Forgetting,” 4th Global Conference: Forgiveness, Oxford University, United Kingdom.

November 2011: “Medical Secrecy and Transparency,” a Conference on “Law and Medical Ethics: Inspiration, Rivalry, and Dialogue,” the International Center for Health, Law, and Ethics, Haifa University.

June 2012: “In the Name of Our Love: Supererogation, Interpersonal Relations and the Limits of Morality,” a Conference on “Tolerance, Supererogation, and Moral Duties,” The Philosophy Department and the Faculty of Law, the Hebrew University.

March 2013: “Envy – a deadly Sin Or a Virtue?,” 2nd Global Conference: Sins, Vices, and Virtues, Lisbon, Portugal.

May 2015: “Dead People and Living Interests,” a Conference on “The Philosophy and Theology of Immortality,” University of Hull, United Kingdom.

August 2017: “Virtue, Integrity, and Self Image,” a Conference on Virtue, Skill, and Practical Reason, University of Cape Town, South Africa

Courses Taught over the years:

B.A.:

Introduction to Philosophy
Great Philosophers
Introduction to Existentialism
The God of Philosophers
On Forgiveness
How Should a State Be Built –Reflections on Plato’s Republic
Kafka’s “Metamorphosis” – Philosophical and Cultural Aspects
The Ethics of Personal Relations
Moral Dilemmas
Justice and Injustice
Public Management and Policy Final Project

M.A.:

Ethics and Social Policy
Social Justice and the Public Arena
Medical Ethics
On Life and Death
Personal Morality and Management Ethics

Academic Service:

Referee, Mortality Journal [ad-hoc]
Member, Sapir College’s Steering Committee of the Reaching and Learning Quality Unit
Member, Sapir College’s Ethics Committee
Member, Multidisciplinary Studies Department Teaching Committee

Fellowships and awards

1993: Hebrew University Rector Award and Rector Scholarship for excellence in M.A. studies.

1997-2001: Three annual scholarships for distinguished PhD students (The Institute of Arts and Letters, the Hebrew University).

1999: Professor David and Rose Baumgart Award for Excellence in the Study of Ethics (Department of Philosophy, the Hebrew University).

2000: The Lacritz Fund Award for Academic Research in Martin Buber's Fields of Interest (The Institute of Jewish Studies, the Hebrew University).

Publications

Items marked with an asterisk indicate new publications that followed my appointment as Senior Lecturer

Books:

1. **Yotam Benziman**, *Until You Are in his Place – Ethics, Impartiality, and Personal Relations*, The Hebrew University Magnes Press, 2005 [in Hebrew]
2. **Yotam Benziman**, *Forgive and Not Forget – The Ethics of Forgiveness*, the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute and Hakibutz Hameuchad, 2008 [in Hebrew]
3. **Yotam Benziman**, *Thinking about Thanking – a Philosophical Theory of Gratitude*, The Hebrew University Magnes Press, 2009 [in Hebrew]
4. **Yotam Benziman**, *The Secret Is Out – The Ethics of Concealment and Disclosure*, The Hebrew University Magnes Press, 2011 [in Hebrew]

Edited Books:

5. **Yotam Benziman** (ed.) *Memory Games – Conceptions of Time and Memory in Jewish Culture*, the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute and Hakibbutz Hameuchad, 2008 [in Hebrew]
6. Dan Avnon and **Yotam Benziman** (eds.), *Plurality and Citizenship in Israel: Moving Beyond the Jewish/ Palestinian Civil Divide*, Routledge, 2010.
7. **Yotam Benziman** (ed.), *Language as Culture: New Perspectives on Hebrew*, the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute and Hakibbutz Hameuchad, 2013 [in Hebrew]

Refereed Articles in Scientific Journals (peer Reviewed):

8. **Yotam Benziman**, Being 'Other-Directed' – a Reply to Atkins," *Philosophia* 32 , May 2005, pp. 327-330.
9. **Yotam Benziman**, "The Difference Between People and the Difference Between Comparisons," *Iyyun* 54, April 2005, pp. 233-243.[in Hebrew]
10. **Yotam Benziman**, "The Ethics of Common Decency," *The Journal of Value Inquiry* 48, 2014, pp. 87-94.
11. **Yotam Benziman**, "The Nature of Modesty," *Ethical Perspectives* 22, 2015, pp. 419-435.

12. **Yotam Benziman**, "Dead People and Living Interests," *Mortality* 22 (1), 2017, pp. 75-86.
13. **Yotam Benziman**, "Integrity and Self Image," *Journal of Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 24 (1), 2017, pp. 29-39.
14. **Yotam Benziman**, "What Is Wrong With a Thumping Liar," *Journal of Philosophical Research* 43, 2018, pp. 83-96.
15. **Yotam Benziman**, "Insulting and Losing Face," *Human Affairs* 28, 2018, pp. 34-43.

Articles in Scientific Books:

16. **Yotam Benziman** and Hagit Benziman, "Impartiality and Personal Relations", in *Ethical Issues in Counseling and Mental Health Professions*, eds. Gaby Shefler, Judith Achmon and Gaby Weil. Jerusalem: Magnes Press, 2003, pp.110-133 [in Hebrew].
17. **Yotam Benziman**, "Shame and Human Dignity," in Joseph E. David (ed.) *Questioning Dignity*, The Israel Democracy Institute and The Hebrew University Magnes Press, 2006, pp. 263-283. [in Hebrew]
18. **Yotam Benziman** and Yair Tzivoni, "The Interchange between Psychoanalysis and Philosophy in the Understanding of Ethical Decisions" in *The Janus Face of Prenatal Diagnostics: A European Study Bridging Ethics, Psychoanalysis and Medicine*. Eds. Marianne Leuzinger-Bohleber, Eve Marie Engles and John Tsiantis, Karnac, 2008, pp. 327-344.
19. **Yotam Benziman**, "On Officials and Affected Parties," in Daphne Barak-Erez, Mordechai Kremnitzer and Doron Navot (eds.) *Conflict of Interest in the Public Arena*, The Israel Democracy Institute, 2009, pp.45-53. [in Hebrew]
20. Dan Avnon and **Yotam Benziman**, "Effective Plurality Despite Categorical Rigidity," (co-author, with Dan Avnon,) in Dan Avnon and Yotam Benziman (eds.) *Plurality and Citizenship in Israel: Moving Beyond the Jewish/ Palestinian Divide*, Routledge, 2010, pp.1-14.
21. **Yotam Benziman**, "Citizenship as a Home," in Dan Avnon and Yotam Benziman (eds.) *Plurality and Citizenship in Israel: Moving Beyond the Jewish/ Palestinian Divide*, Routledge, 2010, pp. 53-67.
22. **Yotam Benziman**, "Forgiving Without Forgetting," in Heather Levy and Tugba Yucel (eds.) *Forgiveness: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue*, ID Press (e-book), 2011, ISBN: 978-1-84888-083-2.
23. **Yotam Benziman**, "Envy and Jealousy: From Moral Vices to Social Virtues," in Katarzyna Bronk (ed.) *Looking Back to See the Future: Reflections on Sins and Virtues*, Oxford: Inter-Disciplinary.Net, 2013, pp. 3-15.
24. **Yotam Benziman**, "The Morality of Dialogical Forgiveness," in Laura Jockusch, Andreas Kraft, and Kim Wunschmann (eds.) *Revenge, Retribution, and Reconciliation* (The Hebrew University Magnes Press, 2015), pp. 196-211.

Book Reviews:

1. **Yotam Benziman**, On Yeshayahu Tadmor, *Education as Existential Experience* (Tel Aviv: Israel and Clil, 2007) , *Dapim* 46, 2008, pp. 240-241. [in Hebrew]
2. **Yotam Benziman**, On Elazar Weinryb, On *Equality and Inequality – A Philosophical Viewpoint* (Haifa: Haifa University Press and Pardes, 2007) , *Social Security* 77, 2008, pp. 125-128. [in Hebrew]
3. **Yotam Benziman**, On Avi Sagi, *The Human Voyage to Meaning – a Philosophical-Hermeneutical Study of Literary Works* (Ramat Gan: Bar Ilan University Press, 2009), *Identities* 1, 2011, pp. 117-119. [in Hebrew]
4. **Yotam Benziman**, On Tzvia Greenfield, *Transforming the World – The Dispute Between Cultures on Freedom, Equality, and Human Rights* (Jerusalem: Carmel, 2011), *Iyyun* 61, 2012, pp. 81-85. [in Hebrew]

Further employment

1996-1997: Co-author of the teaching program “Homo Homini: A Jewish Democratic Discourse of Human Rights,” published by the Association for Civil Rights in Israel and Melitz – Institutions for Jewish Zionist Education.

1998-1999: Member of the Unit for Ethics and Health Rights in the Gertner Institute for the Research of Health Policy, Tel HaShomer Hospital.

1999-2000: Co-author of the teaching program “Judaism as Culture” for the College of Pluralistic Judaism (Meitar).

2002-2004: Research fellow, the Israel Democracy Institute.

2003-2009: Research fellow at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute; academic director of an interdisciplinary research project on Hebrew as a cultural language, academic director of an interdisciplinary research project on the Jewish concepts of memory and time; academic director of an interdisciplinary research project entitled “Justice, Justice Shalt Thou Pursue” – Social Justice in Israel: Vision and Fulfillment.

2006-2008: Research Fellow at the Gilo Center for Citizenship, Democracy, and Civic Education at the Hebrew University.

2009-2017: Co-Editor of *Identities – Journal for Jewish Culture and Identity* (the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute)