

Curriculum Vitae

Moshe Halbertal

Born in Montevideo, 1958

Present Position

Gurss Professor of Law NYU Law School; John and Golda Cohen Professor of Jewish Thought at the Hebrew University

Education:

- 1984 BA (cum laude) Hebrew University, Jewish Thought and Philosophy
- 1989 Ph.D. Hebrew University Dissertation: "Values as Interpretive criteria in Jewish Law"

Academic Positions:

- 1988-1991 Fellow at Harvard Society of Fellows
- 1991-1992 Fellow at the program of Ethics and the Professions, Harvard
- 1991-1992 Lecturer at Harvard program of Social Studies
- 1992-1995 Lecturer at Hebrew University, Departments of Jewish Thought and Philosophy
- 1992- Fellow at the Hartman Institute for advanced Jewish Studies
- 1996-1999 Senior lecturer at Hebrew University
- 1996 Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School
- 1999- Full Professor, Hebrew University
- 2000 Visiting Professor at University of Pennsylvania Law School
- 2002- Gross Professor at NYU Law School

2010 – Elected member of Israel’s national academy of Arts and Sciences

2011 – Visiting Professor Harvard University

2014 - Visiting Professor Yale Law School

Academic Activities

Supervised 15 PhD students and currently supervising 4.

Awards:

1989 Kenedy Lee Prize for distinguished Ph.D.

1992 Alon Prize, Hebrew University

1999 Bruno Award of the Rothschild Foundation

2000 Goren Goldstein Prize for the best book in Jewish Studies
between 1997-2000

2008 Honorary Doctorate Jewish Theological Seminary

2014 Jewish Council Book Award for Maimonides: Life and Thought

List of publications

Books:

Idolatry (co authored with Avishai Margalit, Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press 1992)

People of the Book: Canon, Meaning and Authority (Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1997)

Interpretive Revolutions in the Making: Values as and Interpretative Criteria in Jewish Law (in Hebrew, Jerusalem: Magnes Press 1997)

Between Torah and Wisdom: Menachem ha-Meiri and the Maimonidian Halachists in Provence (in Hebrew, Jerusalem: Magnes press, 1999)

By Way of Truth: Nachmaindes and the Creation of Tradition (in Hebrew, Keter Press and Hartman Ins., 2006)

Concealment and Revelation: Esotericism in Jewish Thought and its Philosophical Implications (Princeton University Press, 2007)

On Sacrifice (Princeton University Press, 2012)

Maimonides Life and Thought, (Princeton University Press 2013)

The Beginning of Politics: Power in the Biblical Book of Samuel (co-authored with Stephen Holmes, Princeton University Press, 2017)

Articles:

“Maimonides Book of Commandments and the Architecture of Halakhah” (in Hebrew) Tarbiz 59 (1991), pp. 462-480

“Halakhah and Morality: The Case of the Apostate City” Svara 3 (1993), pp. 67-73

“R. Menachem Ha-Meiri”, (In Hebrew) Tarbiz 63 (1993) pp. 63-118

“Liberalism and the Right to Culture” (co-authored with Avishai Margalit), Social Research 61 (1994), pp. 491-510

“Toleration, Autonomy and Groups Rights” Toleration, D. Heyd ed. (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1996), pp. 114-106

“Yeshayahu Leibowitz: Between Religious Thought and Social Criticism” Yeshayahu Leibowitz His World and Thought, Avi Sagi ed. (in Hebrew, Jerusalem: Keter Press, 1996) pp. 221-227

“Coexisting with the Enemy –Jews and Pagans in the Mishnah” Tolerance and intorlerance in Early Judaism and Christianity, G. Stroumza and G. Stanton ed. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1993), pp. 159-172

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“If it wasn’t written it couldn’t be said” (in Hebrew) Tarbiz 68 (1999), pp. 39-59

“One possessed of religion”: Religious Tolerance in the teaching of the Me’iri” Eda Journal, 1, (2000)

“David Hartman and the Philosophy of Halakhah” (in Hebrew) Renewed Jewish Commitment Avi Sagi and Zvi Zohar ed (Tel Aviv: Kibutz ha-Meuchad, 2001) vol. 1 pp. 13-36

“Hidden Miracle and The Chain of Being in Nachmanides Thought” (in Hebrew) Kabbalah 7, (2002) pp. 257-280

“Nachmanides’ History of Halakhah and Theory of Custom” (in Hebrew) Zion 67 (2002) pp. 25-56

“Jacob Katz on Halakhah, Orthodoxy, and History” in The Pride of Jacob, J. Harris ed. (Harvard University Press, 2002), pp. 163-173

“Who is a Jew” (in Hebrew) in Jewish Culture in Stormy Times, (Ramat Gan 2002) pp. 233-247

“Death, Law, Sin and Redemption in Nachamnides Thought” (In Hebrew) Tarbiz 71 (2003) pp. 133-162

“From Oral Tradition to Literary Canon: Shem Tov Ibn Gaon and the Critique of Kabbalistic Literature” in Homer the Bible and Beyond (Leiden, 2003)

“On Belief and Believers” (in Hebrew) in On Faith: Studies in the Concept of Faith and its History in Jewish Tradition, (Keter Press, 2005), pp. 11-38

“Ma’ayanei Ha-Yeshua”: Interpretative Satire and The Rebuke of the Heretics” in Higayon Leyona (in Hebrew co-authored with Shlomo Naeh) Jerusalem 2007, pp. 179-197

“Codification and Ambivalence: Maimonides Mishneh Torah and his Legal Theory” in Maimonides after Eight Hundred Years: Essays on his Influence and Heritage (Harvard University Press, 2007)

“Intimacy and Protocol”, in Ta Shma: Essays in Memory of Israel Ta-shma, (in Hebrew, Tevunot Press 2012), pp. 319-344

“The Tetramagon and Divine Mercy” (in Hebrew, co-authored with Hillel Ben Sasson) in Vezot Yehuda: Essays in Honor of Yehudah Liebes (Bialik Press, 2012) pp. 53-69

“At the Threshold of Forgiveness: On Law and Narrative in the Talmud” in Al Da’at Hakahal: Jubilee book in Honor of Aviezer Ravitzky (in Hebrew, Shazar Press 2012) pp. 105-122

"Addressing the Needs of Others: What is the Stance of Justice" in *Radical Responsibility* (Michael J. Harris, Daniel Rynhold and Tamra Wright eds. Magid Books Press, 2012) pp. 95-110.

“The History of Halakhah and the Emergence of Halakhah” (in Hebrew Dinei Israel 29, (2013) pp. 1-23

"Eicha and the Stance of Lamentation" in Lament in Jewish Thought ed. I. Ferber P. Schewebel,(De Guryter Mouton, 2014) pp. 3-10

"Al ha-Miun: The Complex History of an Exceptional Halakhic Phenomenon" in Hebrew co-authored with Aharon Shemesh Tarbiz 82 (2014) pp. 377-393

"Moral Challenges in a-Symmetrical Conflicts" in Hebrew, *Journal of Law and Business* 17 (2014) pp. 541-525

"Job the Mourner" *The Book of Job: Aesthetics, Ethics, Hermeneutics* (Leora Batnitzky and Ilana Pardes, eds., Boston: De Gruyter, 2015) pp. 37-46

"Particularism Exclusivity and Monopoly: A History of a Talmudic Statement" in *The Individual in History: Essays in Honor of Yehudah Reinharz* (Chaeran Y. Freeze, Sylvia Fuks Fried and Eugen Sheppard eds. Brandeis University Press, 2015) pp. 269-283.

"Formalism in the Service of Values: The History of Rabbinic Formula" in Hebrew, in *Halakhah and Law: Memorial Book from Menachem Elon* (A. Edrei, D. Gliksberg, A.Hacohen, B. Lifshitz, B. Porat ed. Nevo Press, 2018) pp. 177-189.