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Current Position

Professor of History, History and Society Division, Babson College

Academic Appointments

2019-20	Goldstein Goren Fellow in the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies at New York University
2018-21	Babson Research Scholar
2016-	Professor of History, Babson College
2009-16	Associate Professor of History, Babson College
2011-16	Faculty Director, Center for Women's Leadership, Babson College
2003-09	Assistant Professor of History, Babson College
2001-03	Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Babson College

Education

2002	Ph.D. in American History, Brandeis University
1993-94	Graduate course work in Women's History, Binghamton University
1993	B.A. in History and Judaic Studies, Binghamton University

Research Interests

US Immigration/ Ethnic, Social, Labor History, Women's/Gender History, Jewish History, History of Global Social Movements

Books

Nations Divided: American Jews and the Struggle Over Apartheid (Palgrave Macmillan, July 2014)

* One of "Recommended Books from the Year [2014](#)," International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life, Brandeis University

Lillian D. Wald: A Biography (University of North Carolina Press, October 2008)

* Winner of the 2007-2008 Saul Viener Book Prize of the American Jewish Historical Society

* Re-Issued in Paperback, March 2014

Peer-Reviewed Articles/Book Chapters

"'A Straight and Not Very Long Road': American Jews, Apartheid, and the Holocaust," a chapter in *Holocaust Memory and Racism in the Postwar World*, edited by Dr. Avril Alba, University of Sydney, Australia, and Dr. Shirli Gilbert, University of Southampton, UK, Wayne State University Press, 2019

“Choosing Sides,” chapter in *Reclaiming Judaism from Zionism: Stories of Personal Transformation*, edited by Carolyn Karcher, Temple University, Interlink Publishers, 2019.

“Creating Gender Enlightenment On and Beyond a Business School Campus,” co-authored with Nan Langowitz and Susan Duffy, chapter in Victoria Crittenden, Kathy Esper, Nathaniel Karst, and Rosa Slegers, editors, *Evolving Entrepreneurial Education: Innovations from the Babson Classroom* (2015)

“Shul: A Keyword in the New Jewish Studies,” *Shofar*, 24:4 (Summer 2006): 22-33.

“Hometown Lessons: Lillian D. Wald and the ‘Female Dominion’ of American Reform,” *Women’s History Magazine*, 50 (Summer 2005): 9-14.

“‘An Actual Working Out of Internationalism’: Russian Politics, Zionism, and Lillian Wald’s Ethnic Progressivism,” in *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*, 2:2 (April 2003): 119-149.

“The ‘Mutuality’ of Society: The Life and Work of Lillian D. Wald, 1893-1919,” *Women’s Studies Program Working Papers Series*, Brandeis University (1996).

Encyclopedia Entries

“Lillian Wald” entry for *Opposition to War: An Encyclopedia of United States Peace and Antiwar Movements* (ABC CLIO, 2018)

“Lillian Wald” entry for *Cambridge Dictionary of Judaism and Jewish Culture* (Cambridge University Press, 2011)

“Social Work” entry for *Cambridge Dictionary of Judaism and Jewish Culture* (Cambridge University Press, 2011)

“Settlement Houses” entry for *Encyclopedia Judaica* (Keter Publishing House, 2nd Ed., 2006), 18:320

“Henry Street Settlement” entry for *Encyclopedia of American Urban History* (Sage Press, 2006), 329

“Lillian D. Wald” entry for *The Encyclopedia of New York State* (Syracuse University Press, 2005), 1648

“Sophie Loeb” entry for *American National Biography* (Oxford University Press, 1998), L: 818-820

“Sophie Loeb” entry for *Jewish Women in America: An Historical Encyclopedia* (Routledge, 1997), 1:869-870

“Lillian D. Wald” entry for *Jewish Women in America: An Historical Encyclopedia* (Routledge, 1997), 2:1446-1449

Reviews

Anya Jabour, *Sophonisba Breckinridge: Championing Women's Activism in Modern America* in *Journal of American History*, forthcoming 2020

Fred Lazin, *American Christians and the National Interreligious Task Force on Soviet Jewry* in *American Jewish History*, forthcoming 2020

Marc Dollinger, *Black Power, Jewish Politics: Reinventing the Alliance in the 1960s* in *Association for Jewish Studies Review*, November 2019

Shari Rabin, *Jews on the Frontier: Religion and Mobility in Nineteenth-Century America* in *Journal of American Ethnic History* 38:3 (Spring 2019): 128-129.

John Soske and Sean Jacobs, eds., *Apartheid Israel: The Politics of an Analogy* and Ilan Pappé, ed., *Israel and South Africa: The Many Faces of Apartheid* in [SCTIW Review](#) (Journal of the Society for Contemporary Thought on the Islamicate World), September 2016

Jennifer A. Thompson, *Jewish on their Own Terms: How Intermarried Couples are Changing American Judaism* [on H-Net Judaic](#), April 2016

Marc Lee Raphael, Editor, *The Columbia History of Jews and Judaism in America*, in *American Studies* 50:3-4 (Fall/Winter 2009), published 2011

Andrew Heinze, *Jews and the American Soul: Human Nature in the 20th Century*, in *American Studies* 47:3-4 (Fall/Winter 2006): 221-222

Website of Jewish Women’s Archive, in *Journal of American History* 91:2 (September 2004): 736-737

Marianne R. Sanua, *Going Greek: Jewish College Fraternities in the United States, 1895-1945*, in *American Jewish History* 91:1 (March 2003): 183-186

Michael Staub, *Torn at the Roots: The Crisis of Jewish Liberalism in Postwar America*, in *Minnesota Review* 58-60 (November 2003): 322-325

Daphne Spain, *How Women Saved the City*, in *American Studies* 43:1 (Spring 2002): 187-188

Margaret Finnegan, *Selling Suffrage: Consumer Culture and Votes for Women* in *American Studies* 42:1 (Spring 2001): 177-179

Robert A. Rockaway, *Words of the Uprooted: Jewish Immigrants in Early Twentieth-Century America* in *Labor History* 41:3 (August 2000): 368-369

Eleanor Stebner, *Women of Hull House* in *History of Education Quarterly* 38:4 (Winter 1998): 466-468

Professional Publications

[“Sight and Memory at the Crossroads,”](#) Blog of The Gotham Center for New York City History, The Graduate Center, City University of New York, November 7, 2019.

“Teaching Trans: Lessons in Inclusion and Liberation,” co-authored with Babson undergraduate student Sky Morgan, *The American Historian*, journal of the Organization of American Historians, November 2018.

[“The History of Henry Street Settlement,”](#) a podcast for Open House New York, The Gotham Center for New York City History, Graduate Center of City University of New York, October 2018.

“Symmetry: Sylvia Bloom and Lillian Wald,” co-posted on the websites of [Henry Street Settlement](#) and the [Jewish Women’s Archive](#), May 2018.

Co-Authored With Hasia Diner, [“We're American Jewish Historians. This is Why We've Left Zionism Behind,”](#) *Ha’aretz* (English-Language edition), August 1, 2016

[“Jewish Women and the Anti-Apartheid Movement,”](#) Women=Books, The Blog of *The Women’s Review of Books*, Wellesley Centers for Women, July 13, 2015

[“Yik Yak on Campus,”](#) Babson’s Living Entrepreneurship Blog, Women’s Leadership, March 18, 2015

[Letter to the Editor,](#) “AIPAC’s Influence,” *The New Yorker*, September 22, 2014

[“The Face of Child Labor,”](#) Tenement Museum Blog based on Consultancy work, 20 September 2010

Piecing It Together Tour Program: “Buying Power,” August 2010, Document based on Consultancy to “Piecing It Together” Tour of Tenement Museum, New York City, on Immigration and the Garment Industry in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries [part of a team of scholar consultants made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities]

Essay Contribution to *Immigrant Soles Tour*, “Playgrounds on the Immigrant Lower East Side,” July 2010, Document based on Consultancy to “Immigrant Soles” Tour of Tenement Museum, New York City, on Class, Immigration, and Controversy over Seward Park Playground in the 1910s [part of a team of scholar consultants made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities]

[Biography](#) of Lillian Wald on Henry Street Settlement Website, 2011

Invited Essay Posting on Lillian Wald's Birthday, "[Shared Birthday, Connected Lives](#)," published jointly by the Jewish Women's Archive Blog and the University of North Carolina Press Blog, 10 March 2010

"Green's Legacy of Equality," *Cambridge Chronicle* (20 November 2003)

Issue Co-editor, "Education and Consumerism," *Radical Teacher* 55 (1999)

Website Co-author, "Lillian D. Wald," *Women of Valor Project*, Jewish Women's Archive [Online at www.jwa.org] (1999)

Co-author, with Maria Sweeney, "Sweating the Small Stuff: Mickey, Michael and the Global Sweatshop," *Radical Teacher* 55 (1999): 11

Conference Presentations

"Lillian Wald: American Progressive," *The Association of Jewish Studies Annual Meeting*, Boston, MA, December 2018

"Segregation, Zionism, and Justice: William Zukerman and the *Jewish Newsletter* in the 1950s U.S.," Conference Paper for *Jewish Identity, The Holocaust, and Anti-Racist Struggles since 1945*, University of London, October 2018

"What Do We Mean When We Talk about Jewish Politics?" Roundtable discussant, Association of Jewish Studies Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., December 2017

"Dissent, Jewishness, and Teaching Israel/Palestine in the American Academy," Roundtable participant, *American Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL, November 2017

"Jewish Women, Zionism, and Apartheid," *The Association of Jewish Studies Annual Meeting*, Boston, MA, December 2015

"The Oneness of the Jewish People": Jews, Civil Rights and Apartheid in the U.S. and South Africa," *American Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Canada, October 2015

"Apartheid and Liberation: African Americans, Jews, and the Anti-apartheid Movement," Brandeis University Conference "Blacks, Jews, and Social Justice in America," Waltham, Massachusetts, June 2014

"'South Africa Needs Friends': Jewish Confrontations with Apartheid in the U.S. and South Africa," *American Studies Association Annual Meeting*, San Juan, Puerto Rico,

November 2012

"The Universal Quest to Be Human": Jewish Women's Struggle with Apartheid in the United States and South Africa," *Berkshire Conference on the History of Women*, Amherst, MA, June 2011

"American Jews and Apartheid," *Annual Conference of the Association of Jewish Studies*, Los Angeles, CA, December 2009

"Jewish Inclusion: Feminism and Contemporary America Jews," *Berkshire Conference on the History of Women*, Minneapolis, MN, June 2008

"Sexism is a Sin: Feminism and American Jewish Life in the 21st Century," *Biennial Conference in American Jewish History*, Charleston, SC, June 2006

"Ethnic Progressivism: Lillian D. Wald and the 'Female Dominion of American Reform,'" *Women's History Network Annual Meeting*, Kingston-Upon-Hull, East Yorkshire, UK, September 2004

"Shul: A Keyword in the New Jewish Studies," *American Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Hartford, CT, October 2003

"'An Actual Working Out of Internationalism': Lillian Wald's Mutuality Abroad and at Home," *American Historical Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, January 2002

"Lillian Wald and the Progressive Networks of New York," *Conference on New York State History*, New York City, NY, June 2000

Public Presentations

Invited Research Seminar Talk, "Leaving Zion," New York University's Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies," Nov. 14, 2019.

Invited book talk with five co-contributors to *Reclaiming Judaism from Zionism*, University of Massachusetts Amherst, October 3, 2019

Women's History Month Podcast on This Day in History Class by IHeartRadio, "[Lillian Wald's Birthday](#)," March 10, 2019.

Invited Panel Presentation, "[The Lillian Wald Symposium](#)," Henry Street Settlement, New York City, March 2018.

Invited talk, "Lillian Wald: Lessons on Immigration," Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, Newton, MA, October 2017.

Invited talk, “Lillian Wald and Immigration,” Westwood Public Library, Westwood, MA, September 2017.

Invited online book talk on *Nations Divided: American Jews and the Struggle over Apartheid*, [New Books in Jewish Studies Podcast](#), November 2015.

Invited book talk on *Nations Divided: American Jews and the Struggle over Apartheid*, Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, Newton, MA, February 2015.

Educators Talk, Tenement Museum, New York City, ““Ethnic Ties, Community Spaces: Henry Street and the Spirit of Progressive Reform,” November 2010 and January 2013.

Speech on *Lillian Wald: A Biography*, to the Board of Directors of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York, June 2009.

Academic Angles panel presentation, “Henry Street: Then and Now,” The Museum at Eldridge Street and The Tenement Museum, New York City, NY, March 2009.

“Lillian Wald’s Hometown Lessons,” *The 350th Anniversary of Jewish Culture in America*, Henry Street Settlement, New York City, NY, July 2004.

“Jewish Women in Reform Movements,” *Standing Before Us: A Celebration of the Accomplishments of Unitarian Universalist Women*, Boston, MA, March 2000.

Teaching

Babson College

- *Crossroads Manhattan*, a nine-day experiential learning course in Manhattan
 - Advanced Seminar, supported by the Glavin Office, Babson’s first elective “away” with a domestic destination for an immersion into Manhattan’s history over the last four centuries, focusing on indigenous and enslaved populations, immigration and LGBTQ+ liberation
- *Working in America: U.S. Labor History since 1892*
 - Advanced Seminar
- *The Personal is Political: Gender in Modern U.S. History*
 - Advanced Seminar
- *The Making of Modern America: The 1920s*
 - Intermediate Seminar in political, labor and social history
- *Justice and Inequality*
 - Liberal Arts Foundation course for first-year students, with social science emphasis
- Honors Thesis Advising
 - *Survivors of the Kindertransport* (2005)
 - *Jewish Identity among Young American Jews* (2006);
 - *Beauty and Body Image among Young Asian American Women* (2007)
 - *Age Aspiration: The Pressure on Young Females to Look Older Than They*

Are (2008)

- *The Debate Over Gay Marriage* (2011)
- *What Are You?": Examining Multiracial Identity, Categorization, and Belonging in a Monoracial American Society* (2014)
- *Domestic Violence: The Quiet Crisis* (2014)
- *Sisterhood not Cis-terhood: Transmisogyny in The Vagina Monologues* (2015)
- *Assimilation or Adaptation: Being Black at a PWI* (2017)
- *Seed to Service: The Changing Economy of Vermont's Northeast Kingdom* (2018)

Brandeis University

- Instructor, Transitional Year Program (2001)
 - *Postwar United States History*
 - writing emphasis course for first-generation college students
- Teaching Assistant/Writing Instructor, American History (1995-96, 2000)
 - *Modern Ideas and Modern Identities: America in the 1920s*
 - *United States History: 1865 to the Present*

University of Massachusetts Boston

- Adjunct Instructor, American Studies, UMass Boston (2000-01)
 - *The Eighties*
 - *The Sixties*
 - Political, economic, and cultural histories of the decades
- Summer Instructor, Urban Scholars Program, UMass Boston (1996-99)
 - A college preparatory program for gifted, low-income, urban high school students
 - *The Art of Autobiography*, literature and visual art emphasis
 - *Understanding Work: Then and Now*, labor history emphasis
 - *Critical Thinking*, African-American history emphasis

Binghamton University (1992-94)

- Teaching Assistant, English Department
 - *Multicultural American Women Writers*
- Educational Opportunity Program
 - A college program for motivated, low-income students
 - *History of Twentieth-Century Social Movements*

Babson College Service

Fall 2018	Co-leader of Workshop on Cultural Appropriation for Babson's International Education Week
2017-2019	Member, Academic Decision Making Body
2017	Member, Search Committee for College Dean of Faculty
2015-2019	Mentor to Babson Posse 12
2011-15	Faculty Director, Center for Women's Entrepreneurial Leadership

2014	Host, Documentarian Liz Canner, <i>Orgasm, Inc.</i>
2014	Host, "Women Leading in Health Care," Doctors Roseanna Means, Linda Rae Murray, Kristin Mattocks
2013-16	Member, LGBTQ Action Group and Safe Zone Trainer
2013-17	Special Needs Parenting Subgroup Coordinator, Parent Connections Employee Research Group
2013-15	Co-coordinator, "Diversity Matters" Luncheon Discussion Series
2013-14	Faculty Mentor, First Year Seminar, CWEL Scholars
2013	Host, Jackson Katz, Anti-sexist Activist
2012	Host, Alison Bechdel, Graphic Artist
2012-14	Coordinator, Women Who Make a Difference Ceremony
2012-13	Faculty Co-advisor, Gender Justice League
2011-13	Coordinator, Gender Resource Task Force
2011-15	Coordinator, Faculty Gender Research Network and Presentations
2011-15	Faculty Director, Center for Women's Entrepreneurial Leadership
2011	Host, Sarah Jones, playwright, performer, activist
2010	Co-chair, Babson's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Legacy Day: Host, Patricia Williams, Columnist and author of <i>The Alchemy of Race and Rights</i>
2009	Host, Winona LaDuke, Native American activist, environmentalist
2009	Co-Chair, Babson's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Legacy Day: Host, Kevin Powell, Activist and author of <i>The New Activism: Power, Global Citizenship, and the Path to Equality</i> .
2008-13	Foundation Program Committee Member
2008-10	First Year Seminar, Faculty Mentor (CWL first-year cohort)
2008	Host, Katha Pollitt, Poet, Columnist, Activist and author of <i>Learning to Drive and Other Life Stories</i>
2007-08	Co-host, START SMART Workshops, with Evelyn Murphy and the Center for Women's Leadership
2007	Host, Evelyn Murphy, Former Lt. Governor of Massachusetts and author of <i>Why Women Don't Get Paid Like Men, and What to Do about It</i>
2005-12	Honors Council
2005	Host, Soha Al-Jurf, Performance, <i>Pressing Beyond the In Between</i>
2003-05, 2008-13	History and Society Fall Foundation Coordinator
2003	Posse Launch Team Committee

Honors and Awards

2019	Babson Faculty Research Fund Grant, co-recipient with Prof. Dave Blodgett
2018	Deans' Award for Teaching Excellence
2017	Babson Pride Award for support for LGBTQAI individuals and organizational work on campus
2014	Martin Luther King Jr. Leadership Award, Babson College
2014	Presidential Innovation Fund Recipient for CWEL's Women's History Month programming, Babson/Olin/Wellesley Three College Collaboration

2010-11	Sabbatical Award by Babson College and Babson Faculty Research Fund
2009, 2015	Babson Faculty Research Fund Summer Grant
2009	Women Who Make a Difference Award, Babson College
2008-09	Saul Viener Book Prize of the American Jewish Historical Society for <i>Lillian Wald: A Biography</i>
2008	Stretching Elective Course Development Grant, Babson College
2006, 2010	Babson Faculty Research Fund, Major Grant for Multiple Course Releases
2005	Babson Board of Research Course Release
2002, 03, 05	Babson Board of Research Summer Grants
2002	Koret Foundation Jewish Studies Publications Grant
1996	Lerman Prize for Scholarship on Extraordinary Women, Women's Studies Program, Brandeis University
1994-98	Crown Fellowship, Department of History, Brandeis University

Professional Affiliations

American Historical Association
 Organization of American Historians
 American Studies Association
 American Jewish Historical Society

Advisory/Professional Work

Member, Jewish Women's Archive Academic Advisory Council
 Member, Academic Council, American Jewish Historical Society
 Member, Academic Council, Open Hillel
 Member, Academic Advisory Council, Jewish Voice for Peace

Profiles/Consulting/Collaboration

Quoted in *New York Times* "[What that Executive Order Really Means,](#)" on Extending the Definition of Anti-Semitism on College Campuses, December 12, 2019; the quote originated with JVP piece press release, December 11, 2019

Consulted and quoted, press release of Jewish Voice for Peace on Executive Order Extending Definition of [Anti-Semitism on College Campuses](#), December 11, 2019

Consulted on my course, Crossroads Manhattan, featured in Babson's Thought in Action Blog, "[In Elective Away, Students Explore Manhattan's LGBTQ History](#)," June 19, 2019

Consulted and quoted in "[A New Black-Jewish Caucus Aims for Solidarity—But Will Israel Get in the Way?](#)" *The Forward*, June 5, 2019

Mentor to Babson Posse 12 work profiled in *Babson Thought and Action Newsletter*, [April 29, 2019](#) and [May 28, 2019](#)

Signed (along with 5 academic colleagues) the [Amicus Brief](#) in support of Dr. Rabab

Abdulhadi and San Francisco State University in a 2018 [lawsuit](#) brought by the Lawfare Project; the brief discusses the history of antisemitism.

Consultant, [The House on Henry Street: Settlements, Public Health and Social Reform](#), a historical, multi-platform, permanent exhibition on Lillian Wald and Henry Street Settlement at Henry Street Settlement, New York City, Summer 2017; exhibit funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities; launch Summer 2018, on Henry Street's 125th Anniversary

Consulted and quoted in Emma Green, ["Why the Charlottesville Marchers Were Obsessed with Jews,"](#) *The Atlantic*, August 15, 2017

Consulted and quoted in Akinyi Ochieng, ["Black Jewish Relations Intensified And Tested by Current Political Climate,"](#) National Public Radio, April 23, 2017

Consulted and quoted in Ben Wofford, [""In a Time of Trump, Millennial Jews Awaken to Anti-Semitism,"](#) *Politico Magazine*, October 2, 2016

Consulted and quoted in Emma Green, ["Why Do Black Activists Care About Palestine?"](#) *The Atlantic*, August 18, 2016

Spotlighted and quoted in Stewart Ain, ["NYU Prof Spurs Fresh Debate Over 'Distancing': Do historians' views about Zionism and U.S. Jews point to a larger trend?"](#), *The New York Jewish Week*, August 9, 2016

[Featured](#) in *Looking at Zion*, a website designed by Yinon Roichman to provide "a comprehensive look at the Israel: Diaspora relationship," February 16, 2016

Lead Scholar Consultant, Sagacity Productions, *Lillian Wald: Angel on Henry Street*, a public broadcasting documentary, 2014-2016

Consulted and quoted in Susan Josephs, ["More Women Embracing Entrepreneurship,"](#) *Jewish Woman Magazine*, Winter 2013

[Profiled](#) in *Who's Who in Higher Education*, *Boston Business Journal* 32:18 (May 2012): 26