

2017-18 NEW FACULTY

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B.A. Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
M.P.H. Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Ph.D. Tel-Aviv University

Dissertation: "The Bedouin Family in the Negev and their Livestock Breeding: Social, Economic and Political Aspects"

Appointment: Greenberg Middle East Scholar-in-Residence;
Special Programs

Shawn Baland

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B.A. University of Colorado, Boulder
Ph.D. University of Aberdeen, Scotland

Dissertation: "Some results on modules of constant Jordan type for elementary abelian p-groups"

Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Mathematics

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B.F.A. West Virginia University

Appointment: Lecturer; Art

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B.A. University of Texas at El Paso
M.A. University of Texas at El Paso

Ph.D. New Mexico State University

Dissertation: "Critical Pedagogy and Student Success: The Transformative Work of Teaching and Learning"

Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Education Studies

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B.A. Columbia University

M.F.A. Northwestern University

Appointment: Artist-in-Residence; Theater

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B.A. University of Akron
M.S. University of Michigan School of Public Health
Ph.D. University of Michigan School of Public Health

Dissertation: "Statistical Methods for Resolving Genotype and Haplotype Ambiguity in Human Genetic Data"

Appointment: Associate Professor; Mathematics

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B.S. University of Tampa
M.S. James Madison University

Can. Ph.D. Springfield College

Dissertation: "Effects of Blood Flow Restriction Resistance Exercise on Power Output and Vertical Jump Height"

Appointment: Lecturer; Health and Exercise Sciences

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B.F.A. Sarah Lawrence College

M.F.A. Hunter College

Appointment: Lecturer and Director of Storytellers'Institute;
John B. Moore Documentary Studies Collaborative

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B.A. State University of New York, Cortland
M.F.A. University of Pennsylvania

Appointment: Assistant Professor; Art

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B.A. Middlebury College
M.S. University of Montana
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Dissertation: "Advances in Understanding the Tectonometamorphic Evolution of Granulite Terranes"

Appointment: Assistant Professor; Geosciences

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B.A. Colgate University
M.A. University of Massachusetts Amherst
Ph.D. University of Massachusetts Amherst

Dissertation: "High Stakes: A Poly-Communal Archaeology of the Pocumtuck Fort, Deerfield, Massachusetts"

Appointment: Associate Professor; Associate Chair; Anthropology

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Appointment: Lecturer; Biology

B.S. Xiamen University

Ph.D. University of Connecticut

Dissertation: "Isolation and Characterization of Proliferating Cell Nuclear Antigen and the Small Subunit Ribosomal RNA Genes in Dinoflagellates: Insights into Dinoflagellate Genome Evolution"

Julie Jenkins

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Anthropology

B.A. DePauw University

M.Sc. London School of Economics

Ph.D. University of Sussex, Brighton, UK

Dissertation: "Wives of the Gods: Debating Fiasidi and the Politics of Meaning"

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Appointment: Private Music Instructor-Jazz Piano; Music

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Appointment: Accreditation Officer and Lecturer; Education Studies

Ph.D. University at Albany

Dissertation: "The Relationship between Special Education Teachers' Mathematical Knowledge, Instructional Choices, and Beliefs about Teaching and Learning Mathematics"

B.A. Bates College

M.S. University at Albany

Uri Lifshin

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Appointment: Lecturer; Psychology

B.A. Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, Israel

M.A. University of Arizona

Can. Ph.D. University of Arizona

Dissertation: "The dynamics of animal similarity and cultural worldview defense"

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Music

B.A. Makerere University, Uganda

M.A. Makerere University, Uganda

Ph.D. University of Pittsburgh

"Intercultural Composition: An Analysis of the First Movement of Justinian Tamusuza's Mu Kkubo Ery 'Omusaalaba for String Quartet"

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Appointment: F. William Harder Chair in Business Administration; Management and Business

A.A. Suffolk Community College

B.F.A. Parsons School of Design

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; English

B.A. University of Pennsylvania

M.Phil. University of Edinburgh

Ph.D. University of Michigan

Dissertation: "How the Victorians Invented the Regency: Historicizing the Recent Past"

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Appointment: Field Placement Coordinator and Certification Officer; Education Studies

B.A. University of Michigan

M.Ed. University of Massachusetts

Ph.D. Michigan State University

Dissertation: "Speramus Meliora: The Stories of Black and Latinx Stakeholders on School Reform in Post-Bankruptcy Detroit"

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Classics

B.A. University of California, Los Angeles

M.A. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Ph.D. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dissertation: "A Commentary on Jerome's Contra Vigilantium"

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Appointment: Assistant Professor; Robert H.N. Ho Family Foundation Professor in Buddhist Studies; Religious Studies

A.B. Brown University

Ph.D. Harvard University

Dissertation: "Memory, rhetoric, and education in the Great Lamp of the Dharma Dharani Scripture"

Phi Beta Kappa

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Appointment: Assistant Professor; Anthropology

B.A. DePauw University

M.A. American University

Ph.D. American University

Dissertation: "Belonging in a House Divided: Violence and Citizenship in the Resettlement of North Koreans to South Korea"

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Appointment: Assistant Librarian; Scribner Library

B.A. State University of New York at Buffalo

M.A. State University of New York at Albany

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Art History

B.A. Florida State University

M.A. Florida State University

Ph.D. Florida State University

Dissertation: "Consumption and Construction: Devotional Images and the Place of Empire in Postclassic Mexico, 1325-1521"

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Appointment: Science Librarian; Scribner Library

B.A. State University of New York at New Paltz

M.L.S. University of Rhode Island

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Appointment: Assistant Professor; Computer Science

B.Tech. National Institute of Technology, Calicut, India

M.S. Dartmouth College

Ph.D. Dartmouth College

Dissertation: "Privacy-preserving Sharing Controls for Mobile Devices"

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Appointment: Assistant Professor; Chemistry

B.Sc. Institute of Chemistry, Sri Lanka

B.Sc. University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Ph.D. Michigan State University

Dissertation: "Defining a Novel Mechanism of Hydroxyurea in Erythrocytes"

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Appointment: Assistant Professor; Anthropology

A.A. American River Community College

B.A. San Diego State University

M.A. San Diego State University

Ph.D. The Ohio State University

Dissertation: "Culture, Migration, and Sport: A bi-national investigation of Southern Mexican migrant communities in Oaxaca, Mexico and Los Angeles, California"

Mary Roberts

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Appointment: Lecturer; Health and Exercise Sciences

B.Sc. McGill University

M.Sc. Universite de Montreal

Can Ph.D. Universite de Montreal

Dissertation: "Understanding the Underlying Biomechanical Principles of Gait Initiation in the Dysvascular Unilateral Transtibial Amputee"

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Chemistry

B.Sc. University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka

Ph.D. Wayne State University

Dissertation: "Photodissociation Dynamics in Titan's Atmosphere"

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Political Science

B.A. DePaul University

M.A. Northwestern University

Ph.D. Northwestern University

Dissertation: "Convenience at a Cost: The Unintended Consequences of Early Voting"

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Appointment: Lecturer; Art

B.F.A. State University of New York, Purchase

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Appointment: Visiting Assistant Professor; Political Science

B.A. University at Albany

M.A. Leiden University

Ph.D. Brown University

Dissertation: "State Responses to Militias and Political (Dis)Order in Nigeria"

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Appointment: Visiting Artist-in-Residence; Music

B.M. Eastman School of Music

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Appointment: Self-Instructional Language Instructor-Hebrew;
World Languages and Literatures

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