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**Education**:

2004- 2008 Doctor of Philosophy, English Literature. Bar Ilan University.

Title: Mark Twain and Ralph Ellison: 'Passing' Performances in America (A study of Twain's Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

and Ellison's Invisible Man)

2002-2004 Masters of Arts, English Literature. Bar Ilan University.

1984-1986 Masters of Fine Arts in Television Production. (Cum Laude)

Brooklyn College.

1981-1984 Bachelor of Arts, English Literature and Communications.

(Magna Cum Laude) Yeshiva University, Stern College.

## **Areas of Specialization:**

Cognitive approaches to literature, performance and literary theory; identity, race and gender. Innovative pedagogical approaches to teaching EFL in the Israeli classroom.

**Publications:** 

"Creating a Newspaper: A Teacher's Guide." Amal 1."In the Classroom: Creating a Newspaper." ETAI (English

Teacher's Association of Israel) Forum, Vol. X, No. 3.

2000 "E-Journalism Workshop." Achva Teacher Education College in

conjunction with the Teacher Center and Achva Online Learning Institute. Collaborative Internet project involving students and teachers as equal partners in the process of

creating an electronic newspaper.

### **Conference Presentations:**

2006 "Literature and Cognitive Science": University of Connecticut,

April 6-9, 2006.

## **Prizes and Scholarships:**

2003- 2008 The Presidential Scholarship for Outstanding Students, Bar Ilan

University, Ramat Gan (four year scholarship).

1985 Kenneth Buckridge Award for Excellence. Brooklyn College.

### Other Qualifications:

1999 Ministry of Education Permanent Teaching License - # 55680,

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade English.

1997-1999 Teaching Diploma. Moreshet Ya'akov College and the Open

University.

Work Experience:	
2010- present	Head of English Department and Instructor, Herzog College –
	Alon Shvut Israel.
2008- 2010	Establishing an English Department for Herzog College – Alon
	Shvut, Israel.
1998- present	English Proficiency. Orot Israel Teacher Education College - Rehovot, Israel.
9/97-6/98	Preparing Russian immigrant teachers to teach English
	Literature in the Israeli classroom. Moreshet Ya'akov Teacher Education College - Rehovot, Israel.
2000-2001	Coordinating collaborative e-journalism project for high school
	students and teachers. Achva Teacher Education College,
	Teacher Retraining Center - Be'er Tuvya, Israel.
1992-2002	Teaching English, 9th -12th grades. Amal Aleph Technological
	College - Ramla, Israel.
1998-2000	Coordinating English Department and staff of teachers. Team
	building. Initiating, editing and publishing student literary
	magazine and newspaper written by the students. Amal Aleph
	Technological College – Ramla, Israel.
9/98- 8/2000	Integrating technology into the curriculum of all school
	departments. Amal Aleph Technological College – Ramla,
	Israel.
1997-1998	English Literature and Writing Skills Teacher. Talpiyot
	Teacher Education College, Tel Aviv, Israel.
1986-1989	Editor, Cameraperson, Scriptwriter. Advanced
	Communications, Jerusalem, Israel.

# Languages:

English (native)
Hebrew (advanced)