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### *Curriculum Vitae (Brief)*

Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution (ICAR), 4D3  
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### **EDUCATION:**

1978 Ph.D. in Anthropology, University of California, San Diego

1973 M.A. in Anthropology, University of California, San Diego

1972 A.B. in Anthropology (with Honors), the University of Chicago

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

1993- Professor of Anthropology, George Mason University  
(Dept. Sociology & Anthropology and ICAR)

Summer, 1994 University of Malta, Msida, Malta, Visiting Prof.

1984-1993 Associate Professor of Anthropology, George Mason University.

1980-1984 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, George Mason University.

1979-1980 Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois, Chicago.

1978-1979 Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of California, San Diego.

1972-1975 Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology and Muir College, University of California, San Diego

Courses taught include: Philosophy and Methods of Conflict Research; Ethnic and Cultural Factors in Conflict Resolution; Ethnography in Conflict Zones; Approaches to Violence; Comparative Political Systems; Ethnology of the Middle East; Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

Politics and Culture, Ethnicity, Nationalism, Conflict Resolution, Middle East, Israel

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

1999-

Present Associated (doctoral) Faculty, School of Public Policy (GMU)

1997-

Present Senior Fellow, Institute for Public Policy, the Program on Peacekeeping Policy (GMU).  
Research on cultural aspects of peacekeeping and complex humanitarian operations

1996-1997

Senior Fellow, Jennings Randolph Program for International Peace, United States Institute of Peace.  
Research on cultural aspects of international conflict resolution practices; initiated research on culture and peacekeeping

1984-Present

As affiliated research and teaching faculty of the Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution (GMU), continuing research on ethno-political and identity conflicts, culture theory and conflict, cross-cultural approaches to conflict resolution.

1971-Present

Field research carried out in North America (Ojibwa Indians), Morocco, Israel-Palestine, Haiti, Bosnia- Herzegovina, and Northern Ireland

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

### **Books:**

2000 Information Campaigns for Peace Operations. Washington D.C.: CCRP Publications. (With J. Narel and P. Combelles-Siegel.)

1998 Culture and Conflict Resolution. Washington D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press.

1997 Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Religion, and Government. Albany: State University of New York Press. (Ed., with W.P. Zenner.)

1991 Conflict Resolution: Cross-Cultural Perspectives. New York: Greenwood Press. (Ed., with P.W. Black and J.A. Scimecca.) Paperback edition: Praeger, 1998.

1981 American Immigrants in Israel: Social Identities and Change. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

### **Articles, Chapters, and Review Essays:**

Ms.a "Cross-Cultural Conflict." The Encyclopedia Of Life Support Systems. Paris: UNESCO.

Ms.b "Culture." In Human Conflict: Structure, Processes, and Resolution. (D. Druckman, S. Cheldelin, and L. Fast, eds.). London: Continuum.

Ms.c "Conceptualizing Professional Culture and International Negotiations." In Professional Cultures in International Negotiation. (Gunnar Sjostedt, ed.). Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

- 2002a "Type I and Type II Errors in Culturally Sensitive Conflict Resolution Practice." *Conflict Resolution Quarterly* 20(3):
- 2002b "The Context and Geography of Protracted Conflict: What Do I Need To Know About Culture?" In *A Handbook of International Peacebuilding: Into the Eye of the Storm*. (J.P. Lederach and J.M. Jenner, eds.). San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, pp. 75-87.
- 2001a "Truth and Reconciliation Commissions: A Review Essay and Annotated Bibliography." *Social Justice* 2(1-2):47-108 (with B. Vejarano). (Republished in *The Online Journal Of Peace and Conflict Resolution*, Issue 4.2, Spring 2002; at web address: [http://www.trinstitute.org/ojpcr/4\\_2recon.htm](http://www.trinstitute.org/ojpcr/4_2recon.htm))
- 2001b "Constructing Ethnicity: Culture and Ethnic Conflict in the New World Disorder." *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry* 71(3):281-289.
- 2001c "Notes Toward Ethnographies of Conflict and Violence." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* 30(5):637-648.
- 2000a "Culture and Negotiation Pedagogy." *Negotiation Journal* 16(4):339-346. (Reprinted in *Understanding Negotiation*, M.L. Nelken, ed., Cincinnati OH: Anderson Publishing Co., 2001, pp. 51-57.)
- 2000b "Reciprocity, Equality and Status-Anxiety in the Amarna Letters." In *Amarna Diplomacy: The Beginnings of International Relations*. (R. Cohen and R. Westbrook, eds.). Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, pp. 154-164.
- 1999a "Civilian Perspectives on the Analysis of Civil Military Interactions: Introductory Remarks." In *Analysis of Civil-Military Interactions*. (A. Woodcock and D. Davis, eds.). Clementsport NS: Canadian Peacekeeping Press, pp. 87-91.
- 1999b "Cultural Relativism, Conflict Resolution, and Social Justice." *Peace and Conflict Studies* 6(1):21-36 (with P.W. Black).
- 1998a "Political Judaism and the Post-Zionist Era." *Judaism* 47(2):146-159.
- 1998b "Peace Making: Introductory Remarks." In *Analysis for Peace Operations*. (A. Woodcock and D. Davis, eds.). Clementsport NS: Canadian Peacekeeping Press, pp. 29-32.
- 1998c "Analysis and Conflict Resolution." In *Analysis for Peace Operations*. Pp. 116-121.
- 1998d "Israel." In *Encyclopedia of Politics and Religion*. (R. Wuthrow, ed.). Volume I, pp. 397-399. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Books.
- 1998e "Zionism." In *Encyclopedia of Politics and Religion*. Volume II, pp. 804-806.
- 1998f "Evolving Peacekeeping in the Post-Cold War Era: Some Notes on Cornwallis-II." In *Analysis For and Of the Resolution of Conflict*. (A.E.R. Woodcock & D. Davis, eds.). Clementsport NS: Canadian Peacekeeping Press, pp. 15-19.
- 1997a "Localizing Israeli Judaism." In *Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Religion, and Government*. Albany: State University of New York Press, pp. 152-167.
- 1997b "Introduction." In *Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Religion, and Government*. Albany: State University of New York Press (with W.P. Zenner), pp. 1-8.

- 1996a "ADR, Palau, and the Contribution of Anthropology." In *Anthropological Contributions To Conflict Resolution* (A. Wolfe and H. Yang, eds.). Athens: University of Georgia Press (with P.W. Black), pp. 47-63.
- 1996b "Conflict Resolution." In *Encyclopedia of Cultural Anthropology*, (D. Levinson and M. Ember, eds.). Volume I, pp. 241-45. New York: HRAF/Henry Holt.
- 1995 "The Jews of Israel." In *Encyclopedia of World Cultures*, (D. Levinson, ed.). Volume IX, pp. 141-44. Boston: G.K. Hall.
- 1994 "Linking Theory and Conflict Management." *Peace and Change* 19(4):424-430.
- 1993a "Conflict Resolution in Intercultural Settings: Problems and Prospects." In *Conflict Resolution Theory and Practice: Integration and Application* (D. Sandole & H. van der Merwe, eds.). Manchester (U.K.): Manchester University Press, pp. 131-45 (with P.W. Black). (Reprinted in *Conflict and Culture Reader*, P.K. Chew ed., New York: New York University Press, 2001, pp. 7-14. Spanish translation at: <http://www.gmu.edu/Departments/ICAR/intercultu.pdf>).
- 1993b "Culture, Power and International Negotiations: Understanding Palau-U.S. Status Negotiations." *Millennium: Journal of International Studies* 22(3):379-400 (with P.W. Black). (Reprinted in *Culture in World Politics*, D. Jacquin-Berdal, A. Oros and M. Verweij, eds., New York: St. Martin's Press, 1998, pp. 34-60.)
- 1993c "The Role of Cultural Anthropology in an Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution." *Political and Legal Anthropology Review* 16(3):29-38 (with P.W. Black).
- 1992a "Making Culture and its Costs." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 15(4):614-26.
- 1992b "The Role of Anthropology in Conflict Resolution." *Human Peace* 9(4):3-10 (with P.W. Black).
- 1991a "The Culture Question and Conflict Resolution." *Peace and Change* 16(1):22-45 (with P.W. Black).
- 1991b "Jewish Fundamentalism in Israel." In *Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Politics, and Culture* (I. Lustick and B. Rubin, eds.). Albany: State University of New York Press, pp. 129-43.
- 1991c "Culture and Conflict Resolution." In *Conflict Resolution: Cross-Cultural Perspectives* (K. Avruch, P. Black & J. Scimecca, eds.). New York: Greenwood Press, pp. 1-17.
- 1990a "Melford Spiro and the Scientific Study of Culture." In *Personality and the Cultural Construction of Society: Papers in Honor of Melford E. Spiro*. (D.K. Jordan and M.J. Swartz, eds.). Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, pp. 15-59.
- 1990b "Israeli Society and its Environment." In *Israel: A Country Study*. (H. Metz, ed.). Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office (Library of Congress), pp. 81-138.
- 1990c "Ideas of Human Nature in Contemporary Conflict Resolution Theory." *Negotiation Journal* 6(3):221-28 (with P.W. Black).
- 1989 "Some Issues in Thinking About Culture and the Resolution of Conflict." *Humanity & Society* 13(2):187-94 (with P.W. Black).

- 1988 "Gush Emunim: The 'Iceberg Model' of Extremism Reconsidered." *Middle East Review* 21(1):27-33.
- 1987a "A 'Generic' Theory of Conflict Resolution: A Critique." *Negotiation Journal* 3(1):87-96, 99-100 (with P.W. Black).
- 1987b "The Emergence of Ethnicity in Israel." *American Ethnologist* 14(2):327-39.
- 1986 "Politics and Society in Contemporary Israel." *The Middle East Journal* 40(1):139-44.
- 1984 "Some Middle Eastern Flash Points." *Faculty Lecture Series* (V. Gras, ed.). Fairfax, VA.: George Mason University, pp. 133-47.
- 1982a "On the 'Traditionalization' of Social Identity: American Immigrants to Israel." *Ethos: Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology* 10(2):95-116.
- 1982b "New Markets and Good Deeds: On Altruism and Exemplary Entrepreneurship." *Anthropological Quarterly* 55(4):211-23.
- 1981 "Becoming Traditional: Socialization to Bureaucracy among American Immigrants in Israel." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 16(3/4):64-83.
- 1979 "Traditionalizing Israeli Nationalism: The Development of Gush Emunim." *Political Psychology* 1(1):47-57.
- 1978 "Gush Emunim: Politics, Religion and Ideology in Israel." *Middle East Review* 11(2):26-31. (Reprinted in *Religion and Politics in the Middle East*, M. Curtis, ed., Boulder: Westview Press, 1981, pp. 207-15.)
- Over 35 book reviews in such journals as *American Anthropologist*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Middle East Journal*, *Peace & Change*, *Journal of Political and Military Sociology*, *Nomadic Peoples*, *International Migration Review*, and *Ethnohistory*
- Associate Editor, *Journal of Political and Military Sociology* (1991-2002)
- Book Review Editor, *Anthropological Quarterly* (1986-1991)
- Editorial Board, *Social Justice: Anthropology, Peace, and Human Rights* (1999- )
- Editorial Advisory Board, "The Ethnography of Political Violence," University of Pennsylvania Press