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Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

CURRICULUM VITAE & LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Personal details

Walter I. Ackerman

Born: Somerville, Mass, 1925

Married: Four Children

Education

Public Schools - Boston, Mass.

B.A. (Cum Laude), Harvard College, 1950.

B.J.E. (Cum Laude), Hebrew Teachers College, Boston, 1950

Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 1950-1951.

ED.M. Graduate School of Education, Harvard University, 1953.

M.H.L. Hebrew Teachers College, Boston, 1953.

Ed.D. Graduate School of Education, Harvard University, 1956.

Employment History

1946-1950 Teacher, Hebrew Schools, Boston, Mass.

1951-1952 Teacher and Assistant to Director, Kfar Hanoar Ben-Shemen, Israel.

1952-1959 Director, Yavneh, Hebrew Teachers College Summer School and Camp Northwood, New Hampshire.

1953-1955 Research Assistant, Graduate School of Education, Harvard University.

1953-1955 Teaching Fellow, Hebrew Teachers College, Boston, Mass.

1955-1960 Headmaster, Beth-El Day School, Belle Harbor, New York.

1960-70; 1972-73 Director, Camp Raman in California.

1960-1962 Lecturer, Hebrew Teachers College, University of Judaism, Los Angeles California.

1961-1962 Consultant, Bureau of Jewish Education, Los Angeles, California.

1962-1964 Director, United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education, New York, New York;
Lecturer, Teachers Institute, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York, N.Y.

1964-1970 Dean, Hebrew Teachers College; University of Judaism, Los Angeles, California; Associate Professor of Education; Professor of Education.

1970-1971 Visiting Associate Professor of Education, University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel;
Visiting Professor, School of Education, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel.

1971-1973 Vice-President for Academic Affairs, University of Judaism, Los Angeles, California.

1972-1975 Board of Advisors, Institute for Jewish Life of Council of Jewish Welfare Funds, Boston, Mass.

1973-1976 Chairman, Associate Professor, Department of Education, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel; Visiting Professor, Center for Jewish Education in the Diaspora, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel.

- 1974-1977 Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel.
- 1975-1977 Director, Camp Raman in Canda.
- 1977-1978 Visiting Professor of Contemporary Jewish Life, Dept. of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass.
- 1978- Consultant Jewish Education Committee, American Joint Distribution Committee, New York, N. Y.
- 1978-1982 Chairman; Professor of Education, Dept. of Education Ben Gurion University, Israel.
- 1981- Shane Family Professor of Education, Ben-Gurion University
- 1981-1986 Member, Council on Higher Education, Israel.
- 1981 -1985 Chairman, Committee on Graduate Studies, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Ben Gurion University, Israel.
- 1981- 1988 Director, School of Continuing Education, Ben Gurion University, Israel.
- 1982- Faculty, Jerusalem Fellows Program, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 1983 Visiting Professor, Summer Institute, University of Judaism, Los-Angeles, California.
- 1985-1986 Visiting Professor of Contemporary Jewish Life, Dept of Near Eastern & Judaic Studies, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass.
- 1986 Scholar in Residence, Rhea Hirsch School of Education, Hebrew-Union College, Los Angeles, California.
- 1990-1991 Visiting Distinguished Professor, Cleveland College of Jewish Studies, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1993- Academic Advisor, Kaye Teachers College, Beer Sheva.
- 1994-1995 Visiting Distinguished Professor, Cleveland College of Jewish Studies, Cleveland Ohio.
- 1995- Academic Advisor, Beit Yatziv, Center for In Service Training for Teachers
- 1996- Advisor to President, Special Projects, Ben Gurion University.

Professional Activities and Societies:

- 1955-1960 Editor. Our Age
- 1962-1964 Editor, Synagogue School
- 1962-1967 Associate Editor. Jewish Education National Council for Jewish Education (Executive Board); Educators Assembly (Executive Board); American Psychological Assoc.; Dept. of Elementary School Principals, National Education Assoc., Dept. of Curriculum Development and Supervision, National Education Assoc.; Phi Delta Kappa; American Camping Association; World Union for Jewish Studies; Association for Jewish Studies.
- 1973-77 Member, Executive Committee, Senate, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel.
- 1973-1974 Member, Admissions Committee, Medical School, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva, Israel.
- 1974-1975 Member, Sub-Committee for Aims and "Objectives of Task Force for Education in Israel in the 80's, Ministry of Education, Israel.
- 1974-1975 Member, Sub-Committee on Higher Education for the Culturally Disadvantaged of Task Force for Education in Israel in the 80's, Ministry of Education, Israel. Member, Academic Advisory Board, Open University, Israel. Member, Executive Committee, Board of Governors, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva, Israel.

- 1974-1975 Member, Permanent Committee, Board of Governors, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel.
- 1975-1977 Member, Editorial Board, Publications of the Department for Curriculum Planning, Ministry of Education, Israel.
- 1975-1976 Member, Committee on Grants in Education, Israel Scientific Foundation, Israel.
- 1975-1977 Member, Academic Council for Teacher Training, Council on Higher Education, Israel.
- 1978-1983 Member, University Appointments and Promotions Committee, Ben Gurion University, Israel.,
- 1980- Member, Academic Advisory Committee, Jewish Education Concentration, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass.
- 1980- Member, Academic Advisory Committee, Center for Research in Jewish Education, School of Education, Tel Aviv University, Israel.
- 1980- Member, Editorial Board. D'or L'Dor. Kvatzim L'Cheker Toldot HaChinuch Hayehudi
- 1984- Member, Academic Advisory Board, School for Jewish Studies of Jewish Theological Seminary in Jerusalem
- 1984- Vice-Chairman, Rector's Committee for Reorganization and Development, Ben Gurion University.
- 1984- Member, Educational Research Grants Committee, Israel Academy of Sciences.
- 1984-1987 Member, Appointments and Promotion Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Ben Gurion University.
- 1987- Chairman, Educational Research Grants Committee, Israel Academy of Science.
- 1991-1995 Member, Executive, Committee, Joint Authority for Zionist and Jewish Education in the Diaspora, World Zionist Organization and of Jewish Agency.
- 1991 - Member, Board of Directors; Committee of Scientific Publications, Mosad Bialik.
- 1991 - Member, Academic Advisory Board, School for Educational Leadership, Jerusalem.
- 1993-1996 Member, Standing Committee, Pedagogical Secretariat, Ministry of Education and Culture, Israel.
- 1995- Chairman, Board of Directors, Tali Education Fund.

PUBLICATIONS:

(a) Books

1. The Way It Was: A Source Book for the Study of Jewish History. New York, United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education, 1977
- A. Erziehung in Israel. Stuttgart, Klett-Cotta, (2 Vol.), 1982. (with Cannon, A. and Zucker, D.) HaChinuch B'visrael. Tel-Aviv, HaKibbutz HaMeuchad, (2 Vol.), 1985. (With Carmon, and Zucker, D)
2. Profiles of High Schools: A Naturalistic Study Beer-Sheva. Ben Gurion University Press, (With Avisar, M.Gordon, D., KatZ, M.) (Hebrew), 1992.
3. Origins: Studies in Jewish Education ,Vol 7. Jerusalem, Magnes Press, 1995.

B. Articles and Papers

1. "Teacher Competence and Pupil Change". *Harvard Educational Review*. Vol. 24(4), (Fall) 1954.
2. "Developing the Program of Jewish Studies in the Day School ". *Synagogue School*. Vol. 16, No. 1, (September) 1957, pp. 14-21.

3. "Discipline in the Jewish School". *Synagogue School*. Vol. 16, No. 2, (December) 1957, pp. 9-12.
4. "A Rating Scale for Counsellor Competence". *Camping Magazine*.
5. "Effects of Training in Alternative Solutions on Subsequent Problem Solving" *Journal of Educational Psychology* Vol. 49, No. 5, 1958, pp. 239-244 (with Harry Levin).
6. "Ethics and the Jewish School". *Synagogue School*. Vol. 17, No. 1, (September) 1958, pp. 3-9.
7. "Problems of Hanhalat Halashon in the Afternoon School". *Hanhalat Halashon*. New York, Dept. of Education and Culture, The Jewish Agency, 1958, pp. 22-25.
8. "Education in Israel: A Review of Periodical Literature" *Jewish Education*. Vol. 29, No. 3, (Spring) 1960, pp. 39-44.
9. "Education in Israel: Second Annual Review". *Jewish Education*, Vol. 30, No. 3, (Spring) 1960, pp. 39-44.
10. "The Day School in the Conservative Movement", *Conservative Judaism* Vol. 15, No. 2 (Winter) 1962, pp. 46-57.
11. "The Pre-School and the Early Years of a Day School". *Synagogue School*. Vol. 17, No. 4, (June) 1959, pp. 36-42.
12. "Second Language Learning for the Child Below Eight", *Synagogue School*. Vol. 19, No. 2, (December) 1960, pp. 3-11 (with N. Schanin)
13. "L.T.F. in California: A Continuation of Raman", *The Torch*. Vol. 20, No. 2, (Spring) 1961, pp. 17-19.
14. "Education in Israel: Third Annual Review", *Jewish Education*. Vol. 31, No. 3, (Spring) 1961, pp. 57-59.
15. "Education in Israel: Fourth Annual Survey", *Jewish Education*. Vol. 32, No. 3, (Spring) 1962, pp. 173-179.
16. "Education in Israel: Fifth Annual Review", *Jewish Education*. Vol. 33, No. 4, (Summer) 1963, pp. 219-225.
17. "Beit Hasefer V'Ha Horim", Sheviley Hahinuch. Vol. 23, No. 1, (Fall) 1963, pp/ 33-37.
18. "Jewish Religious Education", Christian Friends Bulletin. Anti-Defamation League of Bnai Brith, Vol. 20, No. 2, (June) 1963, pp. 3-18.
19. "The Educational Director and Curriculum Development", *Synagogue School*. Vol. 22, No. 2, (Winter) 1964, pp. 64-67.
20. "Education in Israel: Sixth Annual Review". *Jewish Education*. Vol. 34, No. 4, (Summer) 1964, pp 238-243.
21. "Bible Instruction in Conservative Congregational Schools", in Ackerman, W.I. and Schanin, N. (ed.) *New Insights in Curriculum Development: Part I*, New York, Education Assembly, 1965, pp.41-51.
22. "Education in Israel - A Bibliographic Review". *Jewish Education*. Vol. 35, No. 4, (Summer) 1965, pp. 231-237.
23. "Changing Race Relations: Implications for the Jewish School", *Journal of Jewish Communal Service*. Vol. 41, No. 4 (Summer) 1965, pp. 352-356.
24. "Hebrew Language Instruction in the Conservative Congregational School", *Synagogue School*. Vol. 23, No. 4, (Summer) 1965, pp. 18-25)
25. "The Role of the Central agency for Jewish Education: A Comment", *Jewish Education*. Vol. 35, No. 3, (Spring) 1965, pp. 176-179.
26. "Camp and School - Year Round Education". *Jewish Education*. Vol. 36, No. 2, (Winter) 1966, pp. 93-96.
27. "Education in Israel -1965", *Jewish Education*. Vol. 37, No. 1-2, (Winter) 1967, pp. 15-22.
28. "A Profile of the Hebrew Teachers College", in Janowsky, O. (Ed.) *The Education of American Jewish Teachers*. Boston, Beacon Press, 1967, pp. 41-60.

29. "Jewish Education - For What?" American Jewish Yearbook. Vol. 70, 1969, pp. 3-36. (Reprinted in Sidorsky D. red.) The Future of the Jewish Community in America. New York, Basic Books, 1973, pp. 176-210).
30. "An Analysis of Selected Courses of Study of Conservative Congregational Schools" (Part I), Jewish Education. Vol. 40, No. 1, (March) 1970, pp. 7-23.
31. "An Analysis of Selected Courses of Study of Conservative Congregational Schools", (Part II) Jewish Education. Vol. 40, No. 2, (Summer) 1970, pp. 37-48.
32. "The Community Stake in Jewish Education: A Comment", New York. Council of Jewish Federation and Welfare Funds. 1972, pp. 12-16.
33. "The Present Moment in Jewish Education", Midstream (December) 1972, pp. 3-23. (Reprinted in Sklar, M. (ed.) The Jewish Community in America. New York, Behrman House, 1974).
34. "Reforming Israeli Education" in Curtis, M. and Chertoff, M. Israel: Social Structure and Change. New Brunswick, New Jersey, Transaction Books, 1973, pp. 397-407.
35. "The Americanization of Jewish Education", Judaism. Vol. 24, No. 4 (Fall) 1975, pp. 416-435. (Reprinted in Tefutsot Israel. Vol. 14, No. 2, (April-June) 1976).
36. "Some Uses of Justification in Jewish Education", AJS Review. Vol. 2. 1977, pp. 1-44.
37. "Jewish Education" in Martin, B. (Ed.) Movements and Issues in Judaism: 1945-75, Westport, Conn., Greenwood Press, 1978, pp. 184-205.
38. "The New Curricula: Some Observations", Conservative Judaism. Vol. 32, No. 1, (Fall) 1978, pp. 43-62
39. "Jewish Education Today" in American Jewish Yearbook. Philadelphia, Vol. 80, 1980, pp. 130-148.
40. "Towards a History of the Curricula of the Conservative Congregational School, in Jewish Education. Vol. 48, No. 1, (Spring) 1980, pp. 19-26; Vol. 48, No. 2, (Summer) 1980, pp. 12-20.
41. "On the Making of Jews-Mordecai M. Kaplan and Jewish Education" Judaism. Vol. 30, No. 1, (Winter) 1981, pp. 87-95.
42. "Das Klima in KlassenZimmer" in Ackerman, W., Cannon, A. and Zucker, D. fEd.^ Erziehung in Israel. Stuttgart, Klett-Cotta. (2 Vol.), 1982, pp. 271-310.
43. "Chairpersonness: Variations on a Theme", in Chazan, B. (Ed.), Studies in Jewish Education in the Diaspora. Melton Centre for Jewish Education, Hebrew University, 1983, pp. 195-208.
44. "From Past to Present: Notes from the History of Jewish Education in Boston". Jewish Education. Vol. 51, No. 3, (Fall) 1983, pp. 16-26.
45. "The Mechanech: Role Function and Myth in Israeli Secondary Schools", Comparative Education Review. Vol. 28, No. 1, (February) 1984, pp. 103-115, (with Gordon, D.).
46. Peace Education - Programs and Practice in Israel. Tel Aviv, international Committee for Peace in the Middle East, 1984.
47. The Curriculum of the Jewish School: A World Survey. Tel Aviv, Tel Aviv University - Israel/Diaspora Institute, 1984, (with Shohami, E., West, R. and Zissenwine, D.).
48. "History: The State of the Art", in The Curriculum of the Jewish School: A World Survey.
49. "Let us Now Praise Famous Men and Our Fathers in Their Generations: History Books for Jewish Schools in America". Dor L'Dor: Kvatzim L'Toldot Hachinuch Hayehudi. Vol. 2, 1984, pp. 82-116.
50. "Religion in the Schools of Eretz-Yisrael, 1904-1914", Studies in Zionism. Vol. 6, No. 1, (Spring) 1985, pp. 1-13.
51. "Educational Research and Teacher Training in Israel "The Reconstructionist Vol 51, No.5 (March 1986), pp.27-31.

52. "The Status of the Professional Jewish Educator: A Look at the Record" in Reimer, J.(ed.) To Build a Profession: Careers in Jewish Education. Hornstein Program, Brandeis University, 1987.
53. "The Land of Our Fathers in the Land of the Free": Textbooks on Israel in American Jewish Schools", Jewish Education, Vol 54. No.4. (Winter, 1986) pp.4-14.
54. "Taly: A New Alternative in Israeli Education". Conservative Judaism. 40:1 (Fall,1987) pp. 67,80.
55. "Effective Schools and Effective Local School Systems", Second International Conference on Effective Schools, Rotterdam (with Hum, H., Gordon, D., Gorodetsky, M.)
56. "Childhoods in Israel" in Hawes, J.M. and Hines, R. (ed.) Children in Comparative and Historical Perspective: An International Handbook Westport, Conn. Greenwood Press, (with Troen, S.), 1991, pp. 330- 360.
57. The Structure of Jewish Education. Commission on Jewish Education in North America, 1990
58. "Effective Schools and Effective Local Schools Systems" in Creemers B., Peters, T and Reynolds, D (eds.) School Effectiveness and School Improvement. Amsterdam, Suiets and Reitlinger, 1989, pp. 345-354 (with Gordon, D., Gorodetzky, M. Flurn, A.)
59. "Strangers to the Tradition: Ideas and Constraint in American Jewish Education", Himmelfarb H. and Dellapergola, S. (ed.) Jewish Education World Wide. New York and Jerusalem, University Press of America and Institute of Contemporary Jewry, Hebrew University, 1990, pp. 71-116.
60. "The School as an Agent for Citizenship" in Shapira, R and Kasher, A. (ed) Reshafim. Tel Aviv, Tel-Aviv University Press, 1991, pp.193-212 (Hebrew)
61. "Graduation: Meanings and Motifs", Shofar. 10:1 (Fall 1991), pp. 72-87
62. "Community and Education", American Jewish History. LXX:2 (Winter, 1990-1), pp. 183-192
63. "Measures of Effectiveness in Elementary Schools" in Bashi, J., Sass, Z., School Effectiveness and Improvement. Jerusalem, Magnis/ Hebrew University, 1992, pp.217-224. (With Gorodetzki, M., Hum, H., Gussorsky, E., Naggar, Y. and Gordon, D.)
64. "What Kind of School?" in Kelman S., What We Know About Jewish Education. Los Angeles, Turah Aura 1992, pp. 21-32.
65. "A World Apart: Hebrew Teachers' Colleges and Hebrew Speaking Camps" in Mintz, A., Hebrew Culture in America. Detroit, Wayne State, 1993, pp. 105-128.
66. "The Leader of the Team" in avqolis, D.(ed) Bennet Solomon: In Memoriam. Boston, Bureau of Jewish Education, 1993, Ps. 219-223
67. "Nach Palastina Durch Wirballen" in Ackerman, W.(ed.) Origins: The Beginings of Jewish Educational Institutions, Jerusalem, Magnes Press, 1995.
68. "Israel in American Jewish Education" in Gal Alon (ed), Envisioning Israel. Detroit and Jerusalem, Wayne University Press of Magnes Press ,1996, Pp, 173,190.
69. "Reforming Jewish Education", Agenda Jewish Education. No,7, Spring, 1996, pp 5; 16

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1. "Turning Points in Israeli Education", Tel Aviv Review.
2. "Making Jews". Israel Studies. D. Reviews Wise, William Silversmith of Old New York; Alexander L., Border
3. Hawk: August Bondi in Jewish Education. Vol. 29, No. 2, Winter, 1959.
4. Eisenberg, Azriel, Voices from the Past in Jewish Education. Vol. 30, No. 2, Winter, 1960, pp. 69-70.
5. Fackenheim, Emil Paths to Jewish Belief: Singer Howard, With Mind and Heart in Jewish Education. Vol. 32, No. 2, Winter, 1962, pp. 115-117.

6. Hurwich, Louis, Zichronot Mehanech Ivri: Memoirs of a Jewish Educator in American Jewish Historical Quarterly. Vol. 53, No. 2, December, 1963, pp. 205-206
7. Kurzweil, Zvi, Modern Trends in Jewish Education in Jewish Education. Vol. 35, No. 1, Fall, 1964, pp. 56-58.
8. Moskovitz, Aron, Jewish Education in Hungary in JWB Circle. January, 1965.
9. Margolis, Isidore. Jewish Teacher Training Schools in the United States, in American Jewish Historical Quarterly. Vol. 54, No. 4, June 1965, pp. 483-485.
10. Beck, R.H., Social History of Education: Grombs, J.D.. Schools. Scholars and Society in Jewish Education. Vol. 36, No. 1, Fall, 1965, p. 49.
11. Cohen, Jack. Jewish Education in Democratic Society in Conservative Judaism. Vol. 22, No. 2, Winter, 1966, pp. 74-78.
12. Gharry. Ellas and Segal. Abraham. The Eternal People in JWB Circle. Vol. 23, No. 5, October, 1968.
13. Pilch, Judah (Ed.) A History of Jewish Education in America in American Jewish Historical Quarterly. Vol. 61. No. 3. March 1972. pp. 248-250.
14. Kahane, Reuven (ed), "Educational Advancement and Distributive Justice" Megamot (in press).

Reports and Surveys

1. Dinin, S. and Ackerman, W. The Status of Jewish Education in St._Louis, American Association for Jewish Education, New York, 1966.
2. Ackerman, W. and Avni, H. Jewish Schools in Mexico City. Center for Jewish Education in the Diaspora, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 1972.
3. Ackerman, W. The Greater Miami High School Program in Israel. Institute for Jewish Life, New York, 1975.
4. Ackerman, W. Jewish Education in Morocco, submitted to Committee on Jewish Education, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 1979.
5. Ackerman, W. Jewish Education in France, submitted to Committee on Jewish Education, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 1981.
6. Ackerman, W. Jewish Education in Argentina, submitted to Committee on Jewish Education, American Joint Distribution Committee, 1984.
7. Ackerman, W. The Jewish School in Rome, submitted to Committee on Jewish Education, American Joint Distribution Committee, 1984.
8. Ackerman, W. The Principals Training Program in France. Reports to the Jewish Education Committee of the Jewish Agency, 1986-1988.
9. Ackerman, W. A Plan for the Organization of the Jewish Agency/World Zionist Organization Commissions for Jewish Education. Jerusalem, Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, 1989 (with Elazar, D., Bubis, G., Marom, Z.)
10. Ackerman, W. Who Owns Jewish Education., Commission of Jewish Education in North America, 1991.
11. Ackerman, W. Jerusalem Fellows: A Review of a Program. Jerusalem Fellows. 1994. F. Other "Time to Halt the Decay of Education", Jerusalem Post. Sept. 17, 1987
12. "Achievement Tests Above Anxiety", Ha'Aretz. Aug. 8, 1987 (Hebrew)
13. "Effective Schools - Fact or Fancy", Jerusalem Post. March 5, 1989.
14. "Learning to Read", Jewish Spectator. Winter 1991-2, pp. 17-18
15. "Speaking With High School Pupils", Jerusalem Post. March 27, 1992
16. "Where Testing Stood for Many Things", Melton Journal. No. 25, Spring 1992.
17. "They All Censor", Ha'Aretz. Sept. 9, 1992.
18. "Education in Israel" Jerusalem Post. Sept 1, 1996

AWARDS:

- 1978 Appointed Shane Family Professor of Education, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- 1984 Doctor of Pedagogy (honoris causa) Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York, N. Y.
- 1986 Benjamin J. and Ann Shevach Award for Distinguished Leadership in Jewish Education, Hebrew College, Boston, Mass.
- 1987 Doctor of Jewish Education (honoris causa), Hebrew College, Boston, Mass.
- 1987 Outstanding Teacher, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva.
- 1988 Outstanding Teacher Department of Education, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva.
- 1995 Samuel Rothberg Prize for Jewish Education, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.
- 1996 Citation of Excellence, Ben Gurion University, Beer Sheva.

Graduate Students

- Bezalel, Y., Education in Zionist Values: An Analysis of Readers for Elementary Schools.
- Simka, Marqa, Behavior Codes: Contents and Meanings