Post Doctoral and Research Fellows

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Post Doctoral Fellows

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Dr. Ayman Agbaria (2006-present), completed his PhD in Educational Theory and Policy and International and Comparative Education at Penn State University, and has two graduate degrees, one in Criminology, (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), and the other in International Development and Social Change (Clark University).

Dr. Agbaria, in the framework of his position as post-doctoral fellow, is involved in the program development of the conference: "Commitment, Character and Citizenship: Religious Schooling in Liberal Democracy" following which he will coordinate the publication of the proceedings of the conference in the publication of a book.

Dr. Halleli Pinson (2004-2006) received her Ph.D. from the University of Cambridge in 2004, and has studied Citizenship education curriculum and the formation of civic and national identity among young people in Israel. In the year 2005, Dr. Pinson joined the Center for Jewish Education where, in her capacity as post doctorate fellow she coordinated the conference: "Education for Citizenship in Conflicted Societies."

Dr. Rabbi Ari Burstein (2002-2004) received his Ph.D. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Jewish Thought. At the Center for Jewish Education, as a post doctoral fellow, he studied the translation of Jewish thought into curriculum with a special emphasis on the Holocaust theology of Emile Fakenheim and the curriculum thought of Joseph Schwab. Dr. Burstein coordinated two conferences for the Center; one in June 2002 with the Network for Jewish Education in North America and in June 2004, with the Jewish Agency for Israel in Jerusalem, on education for Jewish peoplehood.

Research FellowsÂ

Dr. Naomi Cohen (2002 - present) received her Ph.D. from the Department of Classical Studies of the Hebrew University, in the field of Hellenistic Jewish Literature (1971), and a Teacher's Diploma (for Bible and History), from the School of Education of the Hebrew University (1961). She has taught and published extensively in the fields of Jewish Philosophy, Education, Religion and Feminism, and Religion and the State of Israel, and has recently completed a scholarly work entitled: Philo's Bible. Dr. Cohen is a pioneer in teaching Talmud to women (1978-ongoing), and was a founding member of the Israel Women's Network, and of Kolech - Religious Women's Forum. Since 1990 she has been a Senior Research Fellow at Haifa University, associated first with the Wolfson Chair of Jewish Thought, and since 2002, with the Center for Jewish Education.

Dr. Ayala Ronen-Samuels (2004-2006) received her Ph. D. from the Jewish Theological Seminary of New York. At the Center she has been instrumental in developing a program for leadership training in conjunction with the Haifa-Boston

Connection and serves as a member of the Board of Advisors.

Dr. Esti Yankelowitz (2003-2005) received her Ph.D. from the University of Haifa in The Land of Israel Studies. At the Center she ran a professional development program for school principals concerning Jewish identity under the auspices of the Boston-Haifa Connection. In March of 2004, Dr.Yankelowitz conducted a seminar on the subject of character and educational leadership hosting an international keynote lecturer and leading figures in the Israeli educational system.

Dr. Rabbi Ari Burstein continues to be affiliated with the Center as research fellow since 2004.

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