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HIGHER EDUCATION

1986-1989, BA, Departments of Archaeology and East Asian Studies, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel. Cum Laude.

1990-1991, Student Exchange Program for Chinese Studies, Southwest China Teachers University (西南师范大学), Chongqing, Sichuan, China.

1991-1996, Ph.D. in Chinese Archaeology, Department of Anthropology and Asian Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, USA. Graduation August 1996.

1994-1995. Ph.D. dissertation research, Peking University (北京大学), Beijing, and archaeological field work in the Chifeng area, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region.

1996-1997, Post-Doctorate, Lady Davis fellow, Department of East Asian Studies, The Hebrew University.

APPOINTMENTS AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY

10/1997, Lecturer, Faculty of Humanities, Department of East Asian Studies

5/2002, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Humanities, Department of East Asian Studies

7/2007, Associate Professor, Faculty of Humanities, Department of East Asian Studies

6/2013, Full Professor, Faculty of Humanities, Department of Asian Studies

ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS/TASKS AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY

2002-2004; 2005-2006, 2014, Chair, Department of East Asian Studies

2006- 2012, 2020 - 2021, Director of the Louis Frieberg Center of East Asian Studies

2006- 2011, Vice Dean for Research, Faculty of Humanities

2006 – 2011, Chair of the Research committee, Member of the Development committee, the Computerization committee, the Search committee for the new dean.

2014 - 2018, Chair, Institute of Asian and African Studies

2014-2019, Initiator and Director of *The Asian Sphere: Trans-cultural Flows* Program (funded by The Humanities Fund and Yad Hanadiv)

SERVICE IN OTHER ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

2020, Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ, USA.

2012- 2021, Co-Editor-in-Chief Journal of *Asian Archaeology*. (published by Springer)

2020- present, International Advisory Board, Journal of Architectural History (建筑史学刊), Tsinghua University.

2017 (July), Erasmus Mundus+ Academic Network, Heidelberg University.

2011-2015 Kuang Yaming Visiting Professor, Department of Archaeology, Jilin University, China (吉林大学匡亚明特聘教授).

2004-5, Member of the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ, USA.

1997-2004 Vice President, Society for East Asian Archaeology

FIELD WORK AND RESEARCH GROUPS

1998-2007, Co-PI, Chifeng International Collaborative Archaeological Research Project (University of Pittsburgh, Jilin University, Hebrew University) in the Chifeng area, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, China.

2009- 2016, Co-PI of the Archaeological field project, "The Origins of Agriculture and Sedentary Community in Northeast China." (The Hebrew University, Jilin University, Liaoning Institute of Cultural Relics and Archaeology) in Western Liaoning province, China.

2017 – Present, Co-PI of the Archaeological field project, "What's Cooking? Long-Term Changes in Diet Habits, Economic Strategies and Social Organization in East China" (The Hebrew University, Shandong University, Shandong Institute of Cultural Relics and Archaeology). In Shandong Province, China.

2018 – Present, Co-PI of the Archaeological field project, "Long-Wall construction in the Mongolian steppe during the Medieval Period (11th to the 13th centuries CE)"

(The Hebrew University, The Mongolian Academy of Science, and Yale University), Northeastern Mongolia.

2010-2013, Member of a Scholion Research Group, "Archaeologies of Memory: Founding, Decline and Destruction."

2016-2019, Member of a Scholion Research Group "Materials for Change".

2021 – Organizer and member of the group " Animals and Human Society in the Sinitic World", Israel Institute for Advanced Study.

Supervision of Doctoral Students

2022 – Jingchao Chen (research topic: Residue Analysis of Pottery from the Medieval Wall System in China and Mongolian)

2021- Angaragdulguun Gantumur (research topic: The landscape of Walls in Mongolian: GIS and remote sensing analysis of Khitan-Liao period (916-1125) long walls in Mongolia)

2021 - Sutonuka Bhattacharya (co advisor with Prof. Naama Goren; research topic Investigating Sedentism and Mobility in the Indian Neolithic: Ethnoarchaeological and Comparative Perspectives)

2020 - Tikvah Steiner (co-advisor with Rivka Rabinovich; research topic: Pastoral nomadism and economic strategies associated with a Medieval long wall system in the Asian steppe: A multi-disciplinary zoo- and geo-archaeological study)

2020 – Tal Ulus (replacing Prof. Ronnie Ellenblum; research topic: Climate crises, immigrants and walls- The impact of climatic events on the growth of immigration from Africa in the past decade, changes in discourse and the construction of walls in the Western world).

2017 – Hua Xia (research topic: Bronze and Gold Decorations in Late Warring States period and Han Dynasty: The Un-Chinese Animal Style, Technique, and Cultural Change)

2016- Abdurahmon Pulotov (co-advisor with Michael Shenkar), (research topic: Sogdian Handmade Ceramics and Domestic Utensils: Technological Aspects and Cultural Interactions in the Upper Zeravshan Region)

2015-2021 Tu Dongdong (research topic: Adaptive Strategies, Lithic Technological Evolutions and Social-economic Changes: The Origins and Development of Agricultural and Sedentary Life in Northeast China (ca. 8000~4500 BC). (Dr. Tu is currently a Faculty Member of the ShanghaiTech University, Shanghai, China)

2013-2018, Ido Wachtel (co-advisor, research topic: The Upper Galilee during the Bronze and Iron Age).

2009-2013, Chen Bo (Cities and the City System of the Han Empire (206 BCE to AD 220): Archaeological Research on the Han City Sites). (Dr. Chen is currently a Faculty Member of Henan University, Zhenzhou, China)

2006-2013, Dror Kochan (Urban Change in Contemporary China: The Socio-Spatial Interlinking of Migration, Planning and the State). (Dr. Kochan Henan University is currently a Faculty Member of Tel-Hai College, Israel)

Supervision of Postdoctoral Fellows

2021, Dr. Yingtung Fung (Ph.D. Oxford University; post doc at *The Wall* project, ERC funded)

2020, Dr. Michael Storozum (Ph.D, Washington University in St. Louis; post doc at *The Wall* project, ERC funded) (Dr. Storozum is currently a Faculty Member of Newcastle University, United Kingdom)

2020-2021, Dr. Johannes S. Lotze, (Ph.D. University of Manchester; post doc at *The Wall* project, ERC funded)

2020, Dr. Zhao Chao, (Ph.D. University of Pittsburgh)

2015, Dr. Li Yali (Ph.D Jilin University, China). (Dr. Li is currently a Faculty Member of Jilin University, Changchun, China)

2013, Dr. Anke Hein (Ph.D. UCLA). (Dr. Hein is currently a Faculty Member of Oxford University, United Kingdom)

2012, Dr. Zheng Junfu (Ph.D. Jilin University; Dr. Zhang is currently a faculty member of Liaoning University China).

2007, Dr. Yu Jing (Ph.D. Jilin University; Dr. Yu is currently a faculty member of Northeast China Normal University, China).

External evaluator of promotion files from: Harvard University; Stanford University; Yale University; Washington University; University of Pittsburgh; La Trobe University (Australia); The Field Museum (Chicago); Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (Israel); Tel-Aviv University (Israel)

Reviewer of papers for academic journals: Antiquity; Current Anthropology; Journal of Anthropological Archaeology; PNAS; Journal of Field Archaeology; Journal of East Asian Archaeology; Asian Perspectives; Journal of Archaeological Science; Journal of World Prehistory; Quaternary Science Reviews; Science; The Holocene; Language Dynamics and Change; T'oung Pao; Nature Sustainability.

Reviewer of manuscripts and book proposals for: Cambridge University Press; Oxford University Press; Routledge; Springer; BAR.

Review of research proposals for: National Science Foundation (NSF); Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC); Australian Research Council (ARC); Israel Science Foundation (ISF); National Geographic Society; Research Grants Council of Hong Kong.

RESEARCH GRANTS AND PRIZES

1998-2003, Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Grant for the Project: **Regional Lifeway and Cultural Remains in the Northern Corridor** (cooperation with Prof. K. Linduff and Prof. Zhang Zhongpei). \$145,000

2001-2004, Israel Science Foundation grant for the research **Social Change and the Rise of Pastoral Economy in Northeast China c. 2200-600 BCE** (no. 893/01). \$97,600.

2003 to 2008, NSF award for **Chifeng International Archaeological Research Project**. Award Number BSC-0106048 (co-PI with K. Linduff and R. Drennan). \$166,000.

2009-2011, National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration, **Origins of Agriculture and Sedentary Communities in Northeast China** (grant no. 8614-09). \$19,920.

2011-2015, Israel Science Foundation grant for the research, **The Origins of Agriculture and Sedentary Communities in Northeast China** (no. 502\11), \$ 267,430 (234,000 NIS a year for 4 years).

2017-2021, Israel Science Foundation grant for the research, **What's Cooking? Long-Term Changes in Diet Habits, Economic Strategies and Social Organization in East China** (no. 728/17; 300,000 NIS a year for 4 years; Total 1,200,000 NIS).

2018-2019. Ring Family Foundation for Atmospheric and Global Studies, "**Chinggis Khan's wall**" project (US\$ 20,000).

2020-2025. ERC Advanced Grant "**The Wall: People and Ecology in Medieval Mongolia and China**" (proposal no. 882894) (EUR 2,499,75).

2021. Israel Science Foundation support for a research workshop "**Climate, Environment and Past Human Behavior - Archeological and Anthropological Perspectives** " (1502/21, 70,000 NIS)

2022. **EMET Prize** for excellence in academic and professional achievements (in the field of Archaeology)

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

“The Emergence of Complex Society in Northeast China from the Fourth to the First Millennia B.C.: A Perspective from the Chifeng Area in Inner Mongolia.” Department of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh. Advisor: Professor Katheryn M. Linduff.

BOOKS

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Shelach, G. 2009. Prehistoric Societies on the Northern Frontiers of China: Archaeological Perspectives on Identity Formation and Economic Change during the First Millennium BCE. London, Approaches to Anthropological Archaeology Series, Equinox. 203pp.

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BOOKS EDITED:

Chifeng International Collaborative Archaeological Research Project (Editors). 2021. 赤峰地区的聚落形态研究 [Settlement Patterns in the Chifeng Region]. Chinese edition, translated by Teng Mingyu. Wenwu Press, Beijing.

Kowner, R., G. Bar-Oz, M. Biran, M. Shahar, **G. Shelach-Lavi** (Eds.) 2019. Animals and Human Society in Asia: Historical, Cultural and Ethical Perspectives. London: Palgrave Macmillan

Yuri Pines , Lothar von Falkenhausen , **Gideon Shelach** and Robin D.S.Yates , eds., 2013. The Birth of Empire: The State of Qin revisited. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Chifeng International Collaborative Archaeological Project, eds., 2011. Settlement Patterns in the Chifeng Region. Pittsburgh: Center for Comparative Archaeology, University of Pittsburgh (The final report of the Chifeng International Collaborative Archaeological Project of which I am one of the PIs. 150 pp + electronic access to the full dataset of the Chifeng International Collaborative Archaeological Project: <http://www.cadb.pitt.edu/chifeng/index.html>).

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ELECTRONIC RESOURCES AND DATASETS:

Chifeng International Collaborative Archaeological Research Project, Chifeng Settlement Dataset, Comparative Archaeology Database, University of Pittsburgh. URL: <http://www.cadb.pitt.edu/chifeng/index.html>

Shelach-Lavi, Gideon, Mingyu Teng, Ido Wachtel, Chen Zeigen, and Xiongfei Wan. Fuxin Settlement Dataset, Comparative Archaeology Database, University of Pittsburgh. URL: <http://www.cadb.pitt.edu/shelach/index.html>

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Shelach-Lavi G., M. Teng, Y. Goldsmith, I. Wachtel, C.J. Stevens, O. Marder, X. Wan, X. Wu, D. Tu, R. Shavit, P. Polissar, H. Xu, D.Q. Fuller 2019. Sedentism and plant cultivation in northeast China emerged during affluent conditions. *PLoS ONE*. 14(7): e0218751. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0218751>.

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northeastern China, and archaeological implications. Quaternary International 463(Part A): 6-17.

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Shelach-Lavi, Gideon, 2016. "'Our China' – Museums of Archaeology, National and Local Identities in China." (Hebrew). Historia.37: 111-140.

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Teng Mingyu, **Gideon Shelach**, Wan Xiongfei, Ofer Marder and Ido Wachtel. 2014. "Liaoning Fuxin diqu quyuxing kaogu diaocha jieduanxing baogao (2012-2013)" (Report on the Regional Archaeological Survey of the Fuxin area 2012-2013). Beifang Wenwu 2014 (3): 3-10.

Chen Bo , and **G. Shelach** , 2014. "An Archaeological and Regional Perspective on the Fortified Settlements and the Settlement System in the Northern Zone of the Han Empire (206BCE-220CE)." Antiquity 88: 222-240.

Shelach, G. Teng Mingyu , Wan Xiongfei , 2013. "Report on the 2012 field season of the project Origins of Agriculture and Sedentary Communities in Northeast China." Asian Archaeology. 1: 10-25.

Shelach, G. 2012. "On the Invention of Pottery." Science. 336:1644-1645. doi: 10.1126/science.1224119

Peterson, C . and **G. Shelach** , 2012. "Jiangzhai: Social and Economic Organization of a Middle Neolithic Chinese Village." Journal of Anthropological Archaeology. 31:265-301 (Translated into Chinese and published in Nanfang Wenwu 南方文物 2015.4: 250-265).

Shelach, G. , K. Raphael, and Y. Jaffe. 2011. "Sanzuodian: The Structure, Function and Social Significance of the Earliest Stone Fortified Sites in China." Antiquity. 85: 11-26.

Zhang, Jia-Fu , Xiao-Qing Wang , Wei-Li Qiu , **Gideon Shelach** , Gang Hu , Xiao Fu , Mao-Guo Zhuang , and Li-Ping Zhou . 2011. "The paleolithic site of Longwangchan in the middle Yellow River, China: chronology, paleoenvironment and implications." Journal of Archaeological Science. 38: 1537-1550.

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Shelach, G. 1999. “Newly Acquired Chinese Bells Teach Us About Ancient Chinese Music”, The Israel Museum Journal. 17:58-59.

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Shelach, G. 1996. “The Qiang and the Question of Human Sacrifice in the Late Shang Period”, Asian Perspectives. 35(1): 1-26.

Shelach, G. 1994. "The Emergence of Social Complexity in China During the Early Bronze Age: A Comparative Study of the Erlitou and the Lower Xiajiadian Cultures", Asian Perspectives. 33(2): 261-292.

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Shelach, G. and Teng Mingyu , 2013. "Earlier Neolithic Economic and Social Systems of the Liao River region, Northeast China." in, Anne Underhill, ed., A Companion to Chinese Archaeology. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, pp. 37-54.

Shelach, G. 2011. "I processi di interazione interregionale tra la tarda Età Neolitica e l'inizio dell'Età del Bronzo in Cina, in La Cina" (Interregional Interactions during the Late Neolithic and Early Bronze), in M. Scarpari (ed). The Chinese Civilization: from Its Origins to Contemporary Times; Vol. 1, Prehistory and the Roots of Civilization in China. Turin: Giulio Einaudi Editore, pp. 489-557.

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