

CURRICULUM VITAE – URI DAVIDOVICH

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1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Date of Birth: 26/5/1978

Country of Birth: Israel

ID no.: 03280192-0

Nationality: Israeli

Marital status: Unmarried partner of Ruth Kedar

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2. HIGHER EDUCATION

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| 2001-2004 | BA in Archaeology and the Multi-disciplinary Program, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (<i>summa cum Laude</i>). |
| 2005-2008 | MA in Archaeology, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (<i>summa cum laude</i>). Supervisors: Prof. Amihai Mazar, Prof. Amos Frumkin. Thesis Title: "The Chalcolithic Period in the Judean Desert: Identification, Settlement Pattern and Material Culture as a Basis for Socio-economic Reconstruction". |
| 2010-2014 | PhD in Archaeology, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Supervisor: Prof. Amihai Mazar. Dissertation Title: "The Judean Desert during the Chalcolithic, Bronze and Iron Ages (Sixth-First Millennium BC): Desert and Sown Relations in light of Activity Patterns in a Defined Desert Environment" (approved 23.2.2015). |
| 2014-2015 | Post-doctoral Fellowship, McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, University of Cambridge, UK. Host: Prof. Graeme Barker. |
| 2015-2016 | Post-doctoral fellowship, Institute of Archaeology, Tel Aviv University. |

3. APPOINTMENTS AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY

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| 2005-2008 | Teaching Assistant (Master's), Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Archaeology |
| 2010, 2012 | Teaching Assistant (Doctorate), Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Archaeology |
| 2012, 2014 | Instructor, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Archaeology |
| 2016-2017 | External Lecturer, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Archaeology |
| 07.2017 | Lecturer (tenure-track), Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Archaeology |

4. ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS/TASKS AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY

2017-present	Member of Academic Committee, The Advanced School for Environmental Studies
2018-2021	BA Advisor, Archaeology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies
2021-present	Member of the Academic Committee, The Hebrew University Center for Sustainability

5. SERVICE IN OTHER ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

2015-2016	External lecturer, Tel Aviv University
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6a. AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2004	Excellence Scholarship for BA studies, Dean of Humanities, The Hebrew University
2005	Award, Miriam and Aaron Gutwirth Fund
2005	Excellence Scholarship for MA studies, Dean of Humanities, The Hebrew University
2006	Rector Prize for Excellence in MA studies, Hebrew University
2006	Excellence Scholarship for MA studies, Dean of Humanities, The Hebrew University
2007	Scholarship, Rachel and Abraham Negev Fund, Institute of Archaeology, The Hebrew University
2008	Scholarship, Institute of Archaeology, The Hebrew University
2010	Scholarship, Rachel and Abraham Negev Fund, Institute of Archaeology, The Hebrew University
2011-2014	Rotenstreich Fellowship for Outstanding Doctoral Students in the Humanities, National Council for Higher Education
2011-2013	Fellowship, Scholion Interdisciplinary Research Center in the Humanities and Jewish Studies, The Hebrew University
2011-2013	President Fellowship, HU Honors Program for excelled PhD Students in the Humanities, The Hebrew University
2013-2014	PhD Scholarship, Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi
2014-2015	Rothschild (Yad Hanadiv) Foundation Post-doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities and Social Sciences
2015	The Bernard M. Bloomfield Prize for excelled PhD Dissertation, The Hebrew University
2015	David Amit Prize for Archaeological Research
2015-2016	The Sonia and Marco Nadler Institute of Archaeology Post-doctoral Fellowship, Tel Aviv University

6b. OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITY

Editorial Duties

2022-present	Editor-in-chief, <i>Journal of the Israel Prehistoric Society</i>
2022-present	Editorial board, <i>Niqrot Zurim</i> , <i>Journal of the Israel Cave Research Center</i> (Hebrew)

Organization of Conferences and Sessions

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| 2008 | Pesach Bar-Adon Birth Centennial, The 6 th Conference of "Melakh Ha'aretz", Ein Gedi (with Dr. Roi Porat) |
| 2010 | Judean Desert Operation 50 th Jubilee (seesion), 36 th Annual Archaeological Congress in Israel, Ben-Gurion University, Beer Sheva (with Dr. Roi Porat) |
| 2011 | Celebrating 50 Years to the Discovery of the Nahal Mishmar Hoard, 4 th meeting of the Forum for the Study of the Chalcolithic Period, Israel Museum, Jerusalem |
| 2011-2012 | Academic committee, annual series of joint conferences of the Institute of Archaeology, The Hebrew University, and the Israel Antiquities Authority (two years) |
| 2016 | The Formation of Terraced Landscapes around the Mediterranean: Timing and Motivation (double session), Landscape Archaeology Conference (LAC), Uppsala, Sweden (with Prof. Yuval Gadot). |
| 2017 | Settlement Dynamics in the Upper Galilee (double session), American Schools of Oriental Research Annual Meeting, Boston (with Dr. Ido Wachtel) |
| 2017 | Systematic Survey and Pilot Excavations in Qedesh in the Galilee: from a Megasite in the Early Bronze Age to a Cult Center in the Roman Period (session), New Studies on the Galilee and its Environs, 19 th Conference, Tel Hai |
| 2021 | Chalcolithic Metallurgy in Context, 13 th meeting of the Forum for the Study of the Chalcolithic Period, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem (online meeting re-scheduled to March 18 th) |
| 2021 | Culture and Society in the Early Bronze Age Levant: Regionalism, social boundaries and cultural transmission in the Levantine Early Bronze Age (workshop), 12 th International Congresses on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE), Bologna 2021 (with Dr. Yael Rotem and Dr. Mark Iserlis) |
| 2023 | Sustainability and interaction in desert environments: archaeological and paleobiological perspectives (workshop), 13 th International Congresses on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE), Copenhagen, May 2023 (with Prof. Nimrod Marom) |

Organization of Edited Volumes and Special Issues

- "Regionalism, social boundaries and cultural transmission in the Levantine Early Bronze Age", Special Issue of *Levant* (Volume 55, 2023) (with Dr. Yael Rotem and Dr. Mark Iserlis)
- "Rituals, Memory and Societal Dynamics: Contributions to Social Archaeology in Memory of Sharon Zuckerman", Edited Volume (Submission due 05/2023) (with Prof. Gideon Shelach-Lavi, Prof. Joseph Maran and Prof. Leore Grosman)

On-going Research Projects

- Settlement Complexity and Upland-Lowland Interactions in Early South Levantine Urbanism: Tel Qedesh and the Galilee in the Early Bronze Age
- Archaeology of Refuge: The Judean Desert During the Chalcolithic and Early Bronze Age
- Environmental and Cultural Changes in the Judean Desert during the Holocene (DEADSEA_ECO; with Prof. Nimrod Marom, University of Haifa)

- Activity Patterns of Early Complex Societies in Composite Caves in the Southern Levant (with Micka Ullman)
- Analysis and Final Publication of the Hebrew University Excavations at Tel Goren (En Gedi), 1961-1965 (with Avraham Mashiach)
- Analysis and Final Publication of the Hebrew University Excavations at Tel Ateret (Bronze, Iron and Hellenistic Periods), 1993-2009 (with Roi Sabar)

Selected Fieldwork Projects and Analysis of Archaeological Materials (last ten years only)

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| 2006-2014 | Head, Masada and Tse'elim Valley Archaeological Survey Project |
| 2009-present | Co-director of archaeological surveys in large natural caves + analysis of Neolithic-Bronze Age materials (with Prof. Boaz Zissu, Prof. Amos Frumkin, Dr. Roi Porat, Boaz Langford and Micka Ullman) |
| 2012-2013 | Head, high-resolution survey of two maze caves in the Northern Negev (Qina and Ashalim Caves), Late Chalcolithic (with Micka Ullman) |
| 2013-2016 | Co-director of a research project titled "The Formation of Terraced Landscapes in the Judean Highlands" (with Prof. Yuval Gadot, Dr. Naomi Porat, Prof. Gideon Avni and Dr. Yoav Avni) |
| 2016 | Co-director, Cave of Skulls excavations (with Dr. Eitan Klein, Amir Ganor and Dr. Roi Porat) |
| 2016 | Co-director, Einot Qaneh-Samar excavations, Iron Age-Roman Period (with Dr. Roi Porat) |
| 2016-2017 | Co-director, survey and excavation of Har Sifsof Cave, Upper Galilee (with Micka Ullman, Prof. Ofer Marder and Ron Lavi) |
| 2016-present | Head, Tel Qadesh excavations (with Dr. Ido Wachtel) |
| 2019-present | Co-director, Survey of Early Bronze Age Sites in the Galilee (with Dr. Ido Wachtel) |
| 2019-present | Co-director, survey and excavations in the En Gedi Oasis (with Prof. Nimrod Marom, Dr. Roi Porat and Avraham Mashiach) |

Refereeing in Peer-reviewed Journals

World Archaeology; Geoarchaeology; Journal of Archaeological Method and Theory; Journal of Arid Environments; Cambridge Archaeological Journal; Bulletin of the American Schools of Overseas Research; Israel Exploration Journal; Tel Aviv; Journal of the Israel Prehistoric Society; Cathedra; 'Atiqot

Reviewer of Research Proposals

Israel Science Foundation (ISF); European Research Council (ERC-Advanced)

Evaluation of Chapters and Theses

The Hebrew University (MA Thesis); Tel Aviv University (MA Thesis); Ben-Gurion University (PhD Dissertation); The Open University (Introduction to the Archaeology of the Land of the Bible: The Early Bronze Age)

Membership in Professional Societies and Organizations

The American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR); The International Union of Speleology (UIS); The European Association of Archaeologists (EAA); Israel Archaeological Association; Israel Prehistoric Society; Israel Cave Research Center; The Chalcolithic Forum

6c. SOCIAL IMPACT/SERVICE

2018-2022	Co-founder and chair, Israel Archaeological Association
2020-present	Member, Israeli Archaeological Council
2020-2022	Member, Academic Committee of the Annual Archaeological Congress in Israel

7. RESEARCH GRANTS

2007-2008	Ruth Amiran Fund for Archaeological Research (MA), Institute of Archaeology, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (3000\$, twice).
2010-2011	Ruth Amiran Fund for Archaeological Research (PhD), Institute of Archaeology, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (5000\$, twice).
2018-2023	Israel Science Foundation (ISF) Individual Grant 1534/18: "Settlement Complexity and Upland-Lowland Interactions in Early South Levantine Urbanism: Tel Qedesh and the Galilee in the Early Bronze Age" (1,150,000 NIS, 5 years).
2020	Roger and Susan Hertog Center for the Archaeological Study of Jerusalem and Judah: "Judean Desert Cliff Caves in the 5 th and 4 th millennium BCE" (9000\$).
2020	Ring Family Foundation for Atmospheric and Global Studies, The Hebrew University: "Ecological modelling of the first urban cycle in the southern Levant" (with Dr. Yair Grinberger, Department of Geography) (22,000\$)
2021	Roger and Susan Hertog Center for the Archaeological Study of Jerusalem and Judah: "The oasis of Einot Qaneh and Samar (Dead Sea) during the Iron Age" (4500\$).
2022	Roger and Susan Hertog Center for the Archaeological Study of Jerusalem and Judah: "Final publication of small finds of Masada" (Masada Final Reports, Volume 9) (with Dr. Orit Peleg-Barkat, 20000\$).
2023	Roger and Susan Hertog Center for the Archaeological Study of Jerusalem and Judah: "Final publication the Mazar-Dunayevsky Excavations at Tel Goren, En Gedi" (9000\$).
2023	The Hebrew University Center for Sustainability, Research Grant: "Rethinking climate impact on the sustainability of complex societies" (with Dr. Oren Kolodny, Dr. Yonathon Goldsmith and Dr. Yitzhak Jaffe) (130000 NIS)

8. TEACHING

A. Supervision of master and doctoral degree students in the last five years

- **Master's degree students**

2019-2022	Shai Scharfberg, "Site catchment analysis of Tel Qedesh in the eastern Upper Galilee" (Submitted 12/2022)
2019-	Rachel Waysman, "Provenance of Chalcolithic and Early Bronze Age ceramic assemblages from the Judean Desert cliff caves" (with Dr. Anat Cohen-Weinberger, IAA)

- 2020-2022 Avraham Mashiach, "Oasis in transition: A reassessment of late Iron Age En Gedi" (Graduated 02/2023)
- 2022- Or Fenigstein, "Modeling regional movement in the Judean Desert" (tentative title)
- 2024- Itay Lubel, "Spatial analysis of Iron Age sites in the Negev Highlands" (tentative title)
- 2024- Dor Heimberg, TBD (with Prof. Gideon Shelach-Lavi)

- **Doctoral degree students**

- 2019- Micka Ullman, "Human activity patterns in complex caves during the late prehistory of the Levant" (with Prof. Amos Frumkin, the Hebrew University)
- 2021- Ronit Lupu, "The Jerusalem Highlands during the Chalcolithic Period" (with Dr. Ianir Milevski, Israel Antiquities Authority)
- 2023- Julian Hirsch, "Early Bronze Age religion" (tentative title) (with Prof. Raphael Greenberg, Tel Aviv University)
- 2023- Avraham Mashiach, "Encounters between the desert and the sown during the mid-first millennium BCE" (tentative title)
- 2023- Haim Cohen, "The Caves of Qumran: A new survey and synthesis" (tentative title) (with Prof. Uzi Leibner, The Hebrew University)

B. Post-doctoral fellows

- 02/21-01/22 Yael Rotem, "En Avazin and Munhata: Two Early Bronze Age IA sites in the Jordan Valley"
- 10/21-09/23 Samuel Atkins, Lady Davis Fellow, "The Early Bronze Age Cluster of Mitzpe Shalem: Cultural Contacts in an Interregional Ritual Center"

C. Courses taught in the last 5 years

BA courses

- Introduction to Spatial Archaeology and Archaeological Survey
- Topics in Biblical Archaeology: Violence and its archaeological expressions BA Seminar)
- Topics in Biblical Archaeology: Archaeology of Nomads in the Bronze and Iron Age (B.A Seminar)
- Early Pottery A: Pottery from the 7th through 3rd millennia BCE
- Between the Revolutions: The Chalcolithic period in the Southern Levant
- In the footsteps of kings and rebels: Judean Desert during the Roman and Byzantine periods
- Regional Field Campus: Negev Highlands
- Regional Field Campus: Upper Galilee
- Regional Field Campus: Judean Desert
- The Early Bronze Age I in the Southern Levant

MA courses

- Field Archaeology (with Dr. Y. Zaidner)
- GIS applications in Archaeology
- Topics in Biblical Archaeology: The Desert and the Sown in the Levant (M.A Seminar, in collaboration with Prof. I. Sharon)
- Topics in Biblical Archaeology - Borders and Boundaries (M.A Seminar, in collaboration with Dr. N. Yahalom-Mack)

- Topics in Biblical Archaeology - Transitions (M.A Seminar, in collaboration with Dr. N. Yahalom-Mack)
- Regional Archaeology: From Theory to Practice (in collaboration with Prof. G. Shelach-Lavi)
- Roads, Borders and Walls: The Archaeology of Movement and Space (in collaboration with Prof. G. Shelach-Lavi)
- Age of Monuments (in collaboration with Prof. G. Shelach-Lavi)
- Caves and complex societies
- The Negev, Arabah and Edom during the Iron Age
- Advanced survey and Regional Analysis (Field Campus)
- Bronze Age Landscapes
- The Ghassulian Culture: Society, Economy and Cult