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CURRICULUM VITAE

1. **Personal Details**

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2. **Higher Education**

Period of Study	Name of Institution and Department	Degree	Date of Degree
1965 - 1968	Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Education and Sociology).	B.A.	1968
1968 - 1969	University of London, Institute of Education.	Academic Diploma in Education	1969
1968 - 1970	University of London, Institute of Education (Psychology and Philosophy of Education).	M.A.	1970
– 0791 1975	The Victoria University of Manchester, U.K., The Hester Adrian Research Center for the Study of Learning Processes in the Mentally Handicapped.	Ph.D.	1975

3. **Academic Ranks and Tenure in Institutes of Higher Education**

Dates	Name of Institution and Department	Rank/Position
1975-1976	The Hester Adrian Research Center, Manchester University	Research Fellow
1976-1982	School of Education, University of Haifa	Lecturer
1983-1984	Developmental Disabilities	Visiting Researcher

	Center, Temple University, Philadelphia, U.S.A	(Sabbatical)
1982-1996	School of Education, University of Haifa	Senior Lecturer
1996-2009	Faculty of Education, University of Haifa	Associate Professor
2009	Faculty of Education, University of Haifa	Full Professor
2013 April	Faculty of Education, University of Haifa	Professor Emeritus
October 2016 – 2017	Department of Special Education & Psychology The Academic College of Zefat	Professor Emeritus Head of Department
October 2017 – 2018	Visiting Professor The Academic College of Zefat	Professor Emeritus

4. Offices in University Academic Administration

Dates	Rank/Position
1978-1982	The Center for Rehabilitation and Human Development, School of Social Work, University of Haifa, Coordinator of Projects in Mental Retardation.
1982-1983	The Center for Rehabilitation and Human Development, University of Haifa, Director.
1989-1993	Department of Education, Chairperson.
1984-1996	The Kunin-Lunenfeld Chair of Special Education, Coordinator.
1996-2012	The Kunin-Lunenfeld Chair of Special Education, Incumbent of Chair.
1998-2004	Division of Counseling and Special Education, Head.
2004-2015	The Israeli University Center on Disability, Education Empowerment & Research, MISHAL, Founder and head.
2003-2006	Council of the Authority of Graduate Studies, University of Haifa, Member.
2007-2008	Head of Special project between a team of experts, the Faculty of Education and the city of Nahariya, University of Haifa, Head of team and Member.
2009 - 2012	Head of PhD committee, department of special education, University of Haifa.

5. Scholarly Positions and Activities outside the University

Membership in Professional Associations

1982	The American Association on Mental Retardation, Member.
1986	The International Study Group on Special Educational Needs (limited referred participation), Member.
1992	The Council for Exceptional Children, Member.
1993	The International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disability, Member.
2000 - 2013	HAZAMA - The Association of Teachers, Counselors and Therapists who Work with Students with Special Needs. Founder and Chairperson.
2001	The National Association for Special Educational Needs, NASEN, England, Manchester, Member.
2007 - 2008	The Ministry of Education and Culture, Office of the Principal Investigator, Academic Advisor and Member , the committee on choosing the paradigm underlying students' needs – categorical versus functional.
2017 -	The Center for Academic Research, Kfar Tikva, Academic Advisor

Responsibilities in Editing Journals

1985-2011	Issues in Special Education and Rehabilitation (Hebrew), Founder and Editor in Chief.
1987 – 2008	The International Journal on Rehabilitation Research, Editorial Board Member and Representative for Israel.
2006- 2010	Journal of Research in Special Educational Needs, Editorial Board International Advisory Board.

Public Offices

1979-1980	The National Committee for the Investigation of the Sheltered Workshops for the Mentally Retarded in Israel, Member.
1984-1986	Keren Meshoulam for the Encouragement of the Treatment and Education of Persons with Mental Retardation, Member.
1995-1998	The Education Committee of the Municipality of Haifa, Member.
1996- 2007	The National Committee for the Preparation of National Guidelines and Curriculum for Special Education (ages:16-21), Departments of Special Education and Curriculum, Head of Committee.
2001-2004	The Shalem Special Education Exemplary School, Pethach Tikvah, Academic Advisor.

2003 - 2006	Advisor to Sakhnin Teachers' College on developing their special education program, Part time position.
2005-2008	The Rimon Special Education Exemplary School, Kibutz Mesilot, Academic Advisor.
2006-2011	The Ofer Special Education Exemplary School, Haifa, Academic Advisor.
2006-2011	AHVA – The Association of the Physically Disabled of Haifa and the North – Chairperson.
2006-2009	The Council for Higher Education, Jerusalem – the committees for the accreditation of the Elkasami Teachers' College and The Washington Hill Teachers' College to give a B.Ed degree in special education – Chairperson of the two committees.
2007 -2009	Committee for the implantation of the reform of Teachers' Education in Israeli Colleges and Universities, area of special education – Expert Member.
2006-2011	The Szold Special Education Exemplary School, in collaboration with The Yavnieli regular school, Haifa, Academic Advisor.

6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences

a. International Conferences -

	Date	Name of Conference	Place of Conference	Subject of Lecture/Discussion/Comments
1	1985	109 th Annual Meeting of the American Association on Mental Deficiency.	Philadelphia U.S.A	Vocational program and research, Kfar Tikva, Israel
3	1986	Bi-National Conference USA-Israel: Real Jobs for Real Pay.	Temple University Philadelphia U.S.A	Vocational Rehabilitation in Kfar Tikvah - Legal and psychological aspects.
4	1987	Symposium: A look ahead: Economics, Industry and Disability, Training and Research Institute.	Boston College, Boston U.S.A	Critical factors for understanding on-the job success
5	1988	112 th Annual Meeting of the American Association on Mental	Washington, DC. U.S.A	Career education in "Even Hen", Israel

		Retardation.		
6	1988	The 8 th World Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Mental Deficiency.	Dublin, Ireland	Parents of Down's Syndrome children - their needs for support.
7	1988	The International Study Group on Special Education Needs (ISG).	Bergische Universtat Wuppertal, Germany	Integration, a decade of policy and practice in Israel
8	1989	Young Adult Institute, 10 th Annual International Conference.	New York U.S.A	Ensuring quality of life from infancy through adulthood
9	1992	The 9 th World Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Mental Deficiency.	Brisbane, Australia	Mainstreaming children with special needs in Israel: Description of services and analysis of issues.
10	1992	Stress and Stress Reduction in Schools, First Colloquium of Educational Researchers - University of Haifa and Heinrich-Heine University of 14Duesseldorf.	Duesseldorf, Germany	Stress and the mainstreaming of children with special needs, and Israeli perspective.
11	1993	International Study Group on Special Education Needs - 13 th research and Development seminar.	Druskininkai, Lithuania	What do graduates of special schools do six months after leaving school? A follow-up study .
12	1994	International Study Group on Special Education Needs, 14 th Research and Development	Venice, Italy	Mainstreaming in Israel, description and analysis of issues.

		Seminar.		
13	1995	The Young Adult Institute, Annual Conference	New York, U.S.A	The self concept and quality of life of adults with severe learning disabilities
14	1995	119 th Annual Meeting American Association on Mental Retardation	San Francisco, California, U.S.A.	Transition from school to work: A view from Israel
15	1996	The 10 th World Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Mental Deficiency.	Helsinki, Finland	The educational and treatment concept of Israeli service providers and consumers
16	1999	International Study Group on Special Education, 19 th Seminar.	Prague, Charles University, Czech Republic	The model of AHVA - a self help organization of persons with physical disabilities.
17	2000	CEC Annual Convention and World Congress	Vancouver, Canada	The school principal and inclusion: The role played by the principal with regards to establishing in schools inclusive policies and inclusive behaviors (with Gilada Avisar).
18	2000	International Special Education Congress - ISEC 2000: Including the Excluded	Manchester, England	Quality of life - a central theme of the new high school curriculum guidelines for teachers of adolescents with developmental disabilities - a national project.
19	16-19 December, 2003	CSNSIE Inaugural International Conference Inclusive Education: A Framework for Reform.	Hong Kong	Life skills versus the skill of living: The circle of internalization method for the enhancement of the skill of living.
20	14-19 June, 2004	The 12 th World Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disability.	France, Montpellier	Populations & services roundtable: US assistance to developing countries I was an invited guest speaker as the head of the first Israeli University Center on Disability and based on my professional assistance to Vietnam in developing their special education services.

21	1 st – 4 th August, 2005	ISEC 2005 – Inclusive and Supportive Education Congress, Inclusion: Celebrating Diversity?	The University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland	With Ifat Shachar, Ending the Silence: Adolescents with developmental disabilities as victims of crimes.
22	9 th – 10 th December, 2005	The Second International Conference on Inclusive Education	Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Institute of Education Hong Kong	The effect of an intervention program on the burnout level, attitudes towards children with disabilities and quality of tutoring of regular school students towards classmates with autism. (Invited participant).
23	October 2 - November 1, 2006	Forging New Partnerships for New Challenges Through Research, Education, and Service, AUCD – Association for University Centers on Disabilities, Research.	Education, Service Annual Meeting & Conference, Washington DC, U.S.A	Adolescents with intellectual disabilities as victims of abuse. With Diane Nelson Bryen and Ifat Shachar. (Invited to participate as a new international member of the AUCD network).
24	5 th – 10 th August, 2007	World Gifted Conference	Warwick University, England	Gifted students satisfaction with school (Hava Vidergor & Shunit Reiter
25	November 10 – 14, 2007	The 2007 Annual Meeting of the American University Centers on Disabilities	Washington DC, USA	With Itay Hess, The inclusion of students with visual impairments in Israel: quality of life, school climate and attitudes of staff towards inclusion – a study conducted along the lines of a humanistic educational model. <i>Poster and slides</i>
26	Jan.30 – Feb. 2, 2008	ATIA 2008 Conference	Orlando, Florida, U.S.A.	Including students with visual impairments in Israel: quality of life. Poster: Dr. Itay Hess & Prof. Shunit Reiter
27	Aug. 12 – Aug. 14, 2008	7 th FICOMUNDYT Conference Pontificia Universidad Catolica Del Peru	Lima, Peru	Empowering students with visual impairments : Autonomy & Self Advocacy With Dr. Itay Hess

28	June 24 - 27, 2009	2 nd Asia- The Pacific Conference of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disability IASSID	Singapore	Presenter of paper on: Students with Intellectual Disabilities in the University: A course in citizenship education With Nirit Karni-Vizer, Dr. Itay Hess
29	April 15 – 18, 2010	International Conference on Special Education ICOSE 2010	Cyprus	Israeli Arab Teachers' Attitudes on Inclusion of Students with Disabilities With Nirit Karni-Vizer
30	August 1 - 5, 2011	Beginning A New Chapter – Center of AAC University of Pretoria	Johannesburg South Africa	Presenter of poster on: Attitudes towards school inclusion: Israeli Arabs and American Teachers With Nirit Karni-Vizer, D. Bryen
31	May 10 - 12, 2012	International Conference on Special Education ICOSE 2012	Cyprus	The Impact of Teachers' Management Strategies on Classroom Climate: A Focus on Antisocial and Violent Behaviors With Nirit Karni-Vizer
32	September 18-20, 2015	International Conference on Special Education Research (ICSER 2015)	Shanghai China	Invited Chairperson- Special Education Session- Cycle of Internalized Learning, CIL: A review of research
33	November 13 -16, 2017	IASSIDD 4th Asia-Pacific Regional Congress	Bangkok, Thailand	Oral presentation With Ran Neuman- Establishing and Maintaining Couple-hood as Perceived by Couples with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: Implications for Provision of Supports.
34	July 17-20, 2018	IASSIDD 5th European Regional Congress	Athens, Greece	Poster With Ran Neuman- The Cycle of Internalized Learning (CIL) model: asocial learning program for adults.

b. Local Conferences

	Date	Name of Conference	Place of Conference	Subject of Lecture/Discussion/Comments
1	1985	International Symposium on Youth and Disability.	Jerusalem, Israel	Barriers to vocational adjustments: U.S.A. - Israel perspective (with E. Newman & D, Bryen).
2	1987	International	Jerusalem,	Family attitudes towards

		Symposium on Disability Education.	Israel	employment of the disabled.
3	1989	Fourth International Down's Syndrome' Convention	Jerusalem, Israel	Chair and presenter, parents of Down's syndrome children.
4	1989	The 4 th International Conference on the Heritage of Janusz Korszack.	Ramat Gan, Israel	The implementation of Korczack's philosophy in special education.
5	1995	U.S.-Israel Bi-National conference: Coordination and integration of policies and practices in times of health care reform.	Tel Aviv, Israel	Policy and legislation - the Israeli perspective
6	1997	The Jerusalem International Conference on Integration and Adaptation, Dimensions in the Rehabilitation of Children and Adolescents with Motor Dysfunction.	Jerusalem, Israel	Life skills - means and ends, and "Me and the community - a program for the enhancement of autonomy of persons with physical disabilities run by "AHVA", the association of the handicapped of Haifa and the north (with Tibi Goldman). Keynote plenary lecture.
7	1998	28 th ICSW international Conference on Social Welfare, Promoting Human Well-Being: Addressing the Forces Shaping Society.	Jerusalem, Israel	'Me and the Community' - A program for the enhancement of autonomy of persons with physical disabilities.
8	1998	2 nd International Conference on Developmental	Jerusalem, Israel	OKIT - Occupational Knowledge and Interest Test, a reading free vocational interest test.

		Disabilities in the Community, Beit Issie Shapiro.		
9	1999	International Conference - "The Joy of Living" - on Down Syndrome.	Jerusalem, Israel	Quality of Life - the new curriculum for special education high schools in Israel. Keynote plenary lecture.
10	July 2-4, 2002	Beit Issie Shapiro's 3 rd International Conference "Challenges and Opportunities: Policy, Practice and Research".	Tel Aviv, Israel	Life skills versus the skill of living - the social education of students with developmental disabilities. Keynote plenary lecture.
11	February 23, 2004	Beit Berl College one day conference: From Research to Practice in Special Education.	Beit Berl, Israel	The limits of neutrality in research in special education. Keynote plenary lecture.
12	29 th May – 2 nd June, 2005	International Conference on Science Law Ethics – The international Center for Health, Law & Ethics UNESCO Chair on Bioethics, Faculty of Law & the Research Authority, University of Haifa.	Haifa, Israel	AKTION T-4: The role of the medical profession in the extermination of persons with disabilities, is the Hippocratic oath a matter of social ideology or is it a moral imperative.
13	November, 19, 2007	Multiple dimensions of populations with special needs: Research and	Ramat Gan, Bar Ilan University, Israel	Chair person of symposium: The inclusion of students with special needs in education.

		practical implications.		
14	December, 3, 2007	The right to be different, the power of diversity, Ministry of Justice, Commissioner on disabilities, Jerusalem, Israel	Jerusalem, Israel	Chair person of session: The Quality of life of included students
15	December, 5, 2007	On Blindness: Mishal – The Israeli University center on disability, University of Haifa, Israel.	Haifa University, Haifa, Israel	Chair person of the conference
16	December 10 – 11. 2007	International conference celebrating 20 years of Tsad Kadima, Throughout life with cerebral palsy – partnership, environment and participation	Tel Aviv, Israel	Chair person of session: the social environment.
17	December 3rd, 2007	The Right to be Different, The Power of Diversity Ministry of Justice, Commissioner on the Rights' for Equality for Persons with Disabilities	Bar Ilan University, Ramat Gan, Israel	Chair person of session: Empowerment or keeping the present regarding the inclusion of students with special needs.
18	October 22nd, 2008	The Third Conference on Curriculum Planning Current State of the Art:	Haifa , Israel	Enhancing critical thinking, creativity and meta cognitive abilities in students with cognitive impairments: comparisons between "the Cycle of Internalized Learning" CIL

		Research and Application University of Haifa, Israel		and frontal teaching. With Pnina Shavit
19	May 11 -12, 2009	The Conference of the Israeli Forum for the Study of Emotions, The center for interdisciplinary Research of Emotions, University of Haifa, Israel	Haifa , Israel	Chairperson and organizer of symposium on Emotions and Disability. Presenter of paper on: The inter-relationship between disability and loneliness: a shift from traditional models to a Humanistic-Educational model
20	April 3, 2011	The Israeli Academy on Science, A one day Conference on early education family- school relationships	Maale Hachmisha, Israel	family- school relationships between families of children with special needs and the education system
21	July 3, 2011	The life cycle of families of children with Autism	Center of conferences, the Reut school, Haifa Israel	The ecological model for understanding family school relationships.
22	July 2- 4, 2013	"I Believe" – Processes of change in education, therapy and society following sex education for adolescents with special needs.	The 6 th International Conference on Teacher Education – Changing reality through education. The David Yellin Academic College of Education. Jerusalem, Israel.	Session Chair
23	February, 19, 2014	Research in Education – Is	The Levinsky Academic	Opening plenary lecture

		it Neutral?!	College – Conference on : Research in Education Tel Aviv, Israel	
24	March, 8-11, 2015	Living a meaningful life when having a disability.	The first International Congress of Viktor Frankel's Logotherapy in Haifa, Israel	Chairperson of Panel
25	June, 11-15, 2015	Developmental Disabilities.	Adapted Physical Activity: Integration and Diversification, Wingate Academic College, Israel	Member of Scientific Committee and Chairperson of Session.
26	March, 29, 2016	Developmental Disabilities.	Self representation and self advocacy – "nothing about me without me", Beit Berl Academic College, Israel	Self advocacy in light of two models: the social model of disability and the humanistic philosophy – similarities and differences.
27	September, 2017	21 st annual conference of the Israeli Society for Occupational Therapists,	Tel Aviv, Israel.	A Career Education and Vocational Transition Program: SUPER - SUccessful Pathways to Employment for youth at Risk. Ivsory Y., Schreuer, N., Sachs D., and Reiter S.
28	February 27, 2018	Macro Matters- The Second Conference on Macro Practice in Social Work Zefat Academic College, Israel	The Cycle of Internalized Learning (CIL) in Adulthood: The implementation of a model typically used with young learners in the special	Oral presentation, with Ran Neuman

			education system, as a model of intervention with adults with disabilities.	
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c. Organization of Conferences or Sessions

1986-1987	International Conference on Rehabilitation Research, Jerusalem (31/7-26/7), Member of Academic Advisory Committee.
1993-1994	Bi-National Conference U.S.-Israel: Coordination & Integration of Services for Children, With Special Needs, Policies and Practices in Times of Health Care Reform , Tel Aviv, (1995), Member of Academic Advisory Committee.
2002-	Beit Issie Shapiro's 3 rd International Conference "Challenges and Opportunities: Policy, Practice and Research." Tel Aviv, July 2-4, 2002. Chairperson of Academic Advisory Committee.
2004 -	AYALA , The Israeli Association of Educational Research, University of Beer Sheva, October, 12th- Chairperson of the section on Special Education.
2005 -	The Inaugural conference of MISHAL – the Israeli University Center on Disabilities, Education, Empowerment & Research, University of Haifa, Haifa 24.1.2005. Law and Disability – International Perspective. Chairperson of conference.
2007 -	KADIMA , The Israeli Association for the education and TSAD rehabilitation of children and adults with motor impairments, International conference, 10-11 th December, 2007, Member of the academic committee and Chairperson of session on social skills.

7. Colloquium Talks and other Invited Addresses

Date	Place of Lecture	Name of Forum	Presentation /Comments
1992	Israel	Special Education and Mental Retardation	The Open University Radio Lectures
1994	School of Education, Northern Illinois, DeKalb, U.S.A.	Conceptual and practical issues in special education and rehabilitation services in Israel	Faculty Colloquium
1994	International Education	Social and vocational inclusion of	Faculty

	Office, the University of Iowa, Iowa City, U.S.A.	persons with disabilities	Colloquium
2002	The University of Education of Hanoi, Vietnam,	A 2 -Weeks introduction seminar on the theory and practice in special education. (40 participants from all over Vietnam).	Special expert sent to represent Israel. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem Israel and the Israel Embassy at Hanoi
2003	The University of Education of Hanoi, Vietnam,	An advanced 2-weeks course on the theory and practice in special education. (60 participants from all over Vietnam).	Special expert sent to represent Israel. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem Israel and the Israel Embassy at Hanoi
2006	The Institute of Cerebral Palsy, Calcutta, India,	A two weeks seminar presentation of the three models of attitudes towards persons with disabilities: Medical, Welfare, Humanistic and the implementation of the humanistic approach in the educational method of the Circle of Internalized Learning (30 participants).	Invited speaker

8. Research Grants

a. Grants Awarded

Awards

Distinguished researcher - bridging the gap between the academia and the community
The Municipality of Haifa, International women's day, March 8th, 2003, Haifa Israel

Keren Shalem – special award for personal excellence in public contribution for the year 2011.

Research

1981-1984 A 3-years grant by the US Department of Labor, under contract to Temple University, No. J-9-E-3-0172 on Barriers to employability of persons with handicaps (~70,000). **Israeli principal investigator** in collaboration with Prof. Ed Newman and Prof. Diane Bryen of the Institute on Disabilities, Temple University, Philadelphia, USA.

2002-2004 National Insurance Institute (The action research of a special project on inclusion of students with physical disabilities ~ \$15,000) **Principal investigator**

2006-2007 Ministry of Education – special grant for a one year research on: The school principals style of leadership, school climate and students' achievements in the Arab sector (together with Dr. Anit Somech). (~\$20,000)

2005-2007 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant on the effect of a special program on preparation of adults with special needs for work as waiters in restaurants and café soups run at the University of Haifa. (~\$20,000). **Principal investigator**

2006-2007 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant on the effect of a special program on citizenship education and computer skills for students with mental retardation run at the University of Haifa. (~\$20,000). **Principal investigator**

2007-2008 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant on the effect of a special program on the preparation of adults with special needs for work as assistants to care staff in old peoples' homes, hospitals etc. (~\$20,000). **Principal investigator**

2008-2010 Israel Science Foundation – ISF,
Students with visual impairments and the Humanistic paradigm: personality variables, self determination and self advocacy – a comprehensive model of quality of life (~\$60,000). **Principal investigator**

2009-2010 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant for research on the effect of a second chance in learning to read - a special university program for adults with intellectual disabilities. (~\$20,000). **Principal investigator**

2010-2011 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant for research on intimacy and friendship among couples of adults with intellectual disabilities. (~\$20,000). **Principal investigator**

2014-2015 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant for research on exposure to verbal violence of adults with intellectual developmental disabilities based on their personal reports, comparisons between those living at home, those in group homes in the community and those living in special villages. (~\$25,000). **Principal investigator**

2014-2016, Milgrum Family Fund and the University of Chicago, Chicago IL, U.S.A. Schreuer, Naomi (CO-PI); Reiter, Shunit (**CO-PI**); Sachs, Dalia (CO-PI) & Ivzori, Yonat. A Career Education and Vocational Transition Program: "SUPER - SUccessful Pathways to Employment for youth at Risk in Israel" a 3-years research project. (~\$150,000).

2018-2019 Keren Shalem – The Central Fund for the Development of Services for the Retarded in the Local Councils: research grant for

Projects

1984-1985 Ministry of Labor and Welfare (social learning curricula ~\$10,000).

1995-1999 Ministry of Education (sponsors the journal Issues in Special Education and Rehabilitation ~ \$50,000).

2003 Friends of the University of Haifa, a special grant ~\$30,000 (for the creation of a laboratory for the education and training of students with developmental disabilities towards inclusion in the community)

2004 The research authority of the University of Haifa (collaboration with U.S.A. colleagues towards an interdisciplinary project on disability and the criminal justice system ~ \$5,000).

2004 A special donation of \$50,000 was given as seed money to start up the Israeli University Center on Disabilities. The center is affiliated with the Institute on Disabilities, Pennsylvania's University Center for Excellence at Temple University and member of the Association of University Centers on Disabilities - AUCD.

2005-2006 Keren Sheloshim Ahuz – the fund of the Israeli organization of private institutions for persons with mental retardation – a special course run at the university for adults with intellectual disability living in group homes in the community. (~\$10,000)

2009 – ASHALIM – JCC (Joint Israel and New York) – translation of the 'Index for Inclusion, developing learning and participation in schools', Tony Booth and Mel Ainscow, with a special agreement between The Centre for Studies on Inclusive Education CSIE© Copyright @ 2002 CSIE and Prof. Shunit Reiter for the Hebrew translation of the Index, produced by AHVA publishing, Haifa (~\$3500).

9. Teaching

a. Courses Taught in Recent Years

Year	Name of Course	Type of Course Lecture/Seminar/Workshop	Degree B.A./M.A./M.Sc/Ph.D.
1990 -	The vocational and social education of young adults with developmental disabilities	Research seminar	Graduate
1990 -	The family and the education of young children with developmental disabilities	Research seminar	Graduate
1991-	Theory and practice in special education	Mandatory course	Teachers' Dep
1995 -	Intellectual disabilities	Elective course	Undergraduate
2000 -	Mainstreaming students with special needs	Elective course	Teachers' Dep
1998-2004	Autism /PDD	Elective course	Undergraduate

b. Supervision of Graduate Students

	Name of Student	Title of Thesis	Degree	Date of Completion / in Progress	Details of Publication
1	Michal Schenin	Attitudes of elementary school children towards the child with developmental disabilities	Ph.D.	1992	D11,20,27
2	Arik Palnitzki	Transition from school to work of young Adults with mental retardation	Ph.D.	1994	D23,25
3	Gilada Avisar	The headmaster as an agent of change in the process of mainstreaming	Ph.D.	2000 (supervision with Prof. Yona Leyser, Northern Ill. Univ. U.S.A)	D 34, 35 I#11 6. #17
4	Gila Vogel	The Bar-Mitzva ceremony with	Ph.D.	2002	D36, 37

		students with developmental disabilities			
5	Yael Almusni	A quality of life based program of physical education with students with developmental disabilities	Ph.D.	2002	D39
6	Rachel Talmor	Burnout among teachers and mainstreaming students with special needs	Ph.D.	2003	D 38
7	Carmela Igel	Analysis of the process of placement in special education	Ph.D.	2005	
8	Adva Zilberstein	Teachers of students with severe and multiple disabilities, their interactions with students	Ph.D.	2007	
9	Pnina Shavit	The enhancement of self-determination of students with intellectual disabilities involved in a group process based on the 'cycle of internalization'	Ph.D.	2008	
10	Dalia Tal	Individual and group instruction in special education	Ph.D.	2009	
11	Anat Hacham	The social competencies of students with physical disabilities involved in sports activities with non disabled students	Ph.D.	2009	
12	Carmit Shpigelman	Socio-emotional evolvement of Adolescents with special needs through "Virtual Mentoring"	Ph.D.	2009 Joint supervision with Prof. Tamar Veiss	D46 D48 D49 E9
13	Michal Shreber	Parental involvement in special education schools	PhD	2011 Joint supervision with Dr. Iris Manor	
14	Rachel Gilshtum	The impact of animal therapy with students with learning disabilities and their attachment style on their sense of competence and self concept	Ph.D.	2012 Joint supervision with Prof. Marius Micoulinski	
15	Itay Hess	The empowerment of blind and low vision School students – a research study comparing their Quality of life and self determination Before and after an intervention program	Post Doctorate	2007/2008 2008/2009 2009/2010	D50 D51D52 6#25 6#26 6#27
16	Yonat Yavzori	Vocational transition from special school to a life of work – The effects of a specially	Ph.D.	2012 Joint supervision with Dr.	

		designed program on the enhancement of self advocacy, autonomy, competencies.		Dalia Zaches	
17	Maha Arsalem	Future orientation of young adults with intellectual disabilities and their parents in the Arab sector.	Ph.D.	2012 Joint supervision with Dr. Ilana Duvdevani	
18	Nirit Kani-Vizer	Violence against special education students in regular schools	Ph.D.	2013	
19	Ran Neuman	Intimacy and friendship among adults with Intellectual disabilities	Ph.D.	2013	
20	Aviva Lavan	Educational involvement in school of parents to special needs children in inclusive education as compared with the educational involvement in school of parents to non-special needs children, feelings of stress and parental coping style	Ph.D.	2014 Joint supervision with Dr. Tali Heiman	
21	Orly Crispel	To be a mother and a teacher – the personal and professional development of teachers in regular classrooms who are also mothers of children with learning disabilities.	Ph.D.	2014 Joint supervision with Prof. Frima Elbaz	
22	Lamis Odeh	Personal growth among Arab mothers of children with and without intellectual disabilities	Ph.D.	2014 Joint supervision with Dr. Liora Findler	
23	Anat Vinevar	A Family Portrait: Family Climate and Self-Esteem of Hearing Impaired Children: the relationship between family climate, self-esteem of the hearing impaired child in comparison to families with a hearing child.	Ph.D.	2016 Joint supervision with Dr. Dafna Regev	

MA Thesis

	Name of Student	Title of Thesis	Degree	Date of Completion / in Progress	Details of Publication
1	Liora Meiblum	The study of attitudes towards inclusion Among regular teachers.	M.A.	1995	
2	Hadas Rabinovitz	Educational and therapeutic attitudes of Special education teachers & their correlates With degree of burnout	M.A.	1995	
3	Rachel Gilshtroum	The effect of pet treatment with autistic Children on their emotional response to The pets.	M.A.	1995	
4	Devorah David	The education and treatment conceptual Approach of special education teachers, Parents and service providers	M.A.	1995	D22
5	Tali Hadari	Models of treatment in learning disabilities	M.A.	1995	
6	Yona Heinberg	Comparisons of the academic achievement of students with special needs in special and regular classes.	M.A.	1995	
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J. Summary of my Activities and Future Plans

In my academic work I have tried to strengthen the links between theory and practice. This is expressed in my diverse professional activities. The following are some of the highlights of my academic work.

For more than 40 years I have been involved in developing a theoretical framework for understanding people with disabilities first and foremost as human beings who are not different than other people except for the need to overcome difficulties arising out of their disabilities. Additionally, I believe that it is the responsibility of researchers in my field to show how philosophical, cultural and theoretical models have direct implications for practice, whether in education, vocational training, or support services for disabled people. I have always felt that any research or project concerning the lives of people with disabilities should insure that the models and theories we suggest do not remain mere abstractions but are transformed into new approaches and services that contribute to a better quality of life for the disabled. Already in my PhD. Dissertation, I asked young adults with intellectual disabilities (in England) about their interests, dreams, wishes, inclinations, and fears. Since then in my own research and in that of my numerous master's and doctoral students, we listen to the disabled and seek ways to improve the support we give them.

My special contribution can be found in the exposition of the Humanistic paradigm of special education and human services to the disabled and in exploring the implications of this paradigm for the ways we treat, educate, assist, support, and include disabled people in society. In my first book, *Disability and Society*, I offered a coherent approach to the treatment of disabled members of society by comparing the underlying principles of three models, the welfare, medical and humanistic approaches and by suggesting a theoretical framework that can be depicted as a pyramid, with the welfare model as its basis, the medical model complementing it, and the humanistic model encompassing the other two. Based on this Humanistic approach, I later developed a theoretical model for educational and treatment programs called "The Cycle of Internalized Learning (CIL)." The CIL model is the basis of the national core curriculum guidelines for special education students in Israel. It provides clear stages in teaching and educating students with disabilities towards autonomy. I presented the model in several international conferences and taught it in two special courses as a contribution of the Israeli Foreign Office to the state of Vietnam, and as a guest lecturer in India. In both countries it received warm appreciation. My book, *Disability from a Humanistic Perspective: Towards a better Quality of Life*, summarizes my special contribution in theory and in practice to the field of special education.

My research has also focused on comparative international studies, especially as concerned with educational and rehabilitation services. For example, I was the head of the Israeli team in a comparative study between the U.S. and Israel on vocational rehabilitation services. The study, which lasted four years, was funded by the US Department of Labor, under a contract with Temple University and the University of Haifa. In another study, I took part in an international research effort to develop an assessment instrument on "quality of life" for persons with developmental disabilities free from cultural bias. The research was done in collaboration with Dr. Robert Schalock, of Hastings, Nebraska. Other countries involved included Germany, Australia, Switzerland, and Taiwan. Similarly, with Prof. Diane Bryen, Head of the Institute on Disabilities at Temple University, I conducted a bi-national study on people with disabilities as victims of abuse. The research was the focus of a jointly supervised thesis that won the second highest price at our university for the best Master's thesis of the year.

My research has also addressed the evaluation of educational, social and vocational services for children and adults with developmental disabilities. For example, I was the principle investigator in a the follow-up study of special education schools graduates, and participated in action research conducted under the aegis of the Spivak Center for Physical Activities of Persons with Physical Disabilities, on the effects of the inclusion of non-disabled students in programs run for the physically handicapped at the center.

In collaboration with Diane Bryen, I also founded "MISHAL" the Israeli University Center on Disabilities in the University of Haifa, Faculty of Education. MISHAL is an affiliate member of the American University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD). The center runs research programs, demonstration projects, organizes conferences and disseminates information. Its vision is the enhancement of quality of life for persons with disabilities. In the last couple of years we started a ground breaking program providing academic studies to students with intellectual disabilities.

Through the Kounin-Lunenfeld Chair of Special Education, I initiated, and serve as editor-in-chief, of the only academic journal in special education in Israel – Issues in Special Education and Rehabilitation (SACHISH).

Currently I am involved in a nationwide program to enhance positive inclusion in Israeli schools of students with special needs in Israeli schools. There are two partners to this program: ASHALIM, The Association for Planning & Development of Services for Children and Youth at risk & Families, established by JDC Israel and the Ministry of Education. With funding from ASHALIM, the British Index for Inclusion (Tony Booth and Mel Ainscow, 2002) was contacted and a contract was signed to translate the Index into Hebrew. The translation is now done and two brochures (each of approximately 100 pages containing theoretical introduction, suggestions for practice and evaluation forms) for primary and secondary schools is ready to be tried out in Israeli schools. This will be followed by research of which I am the principal investigator. My plans for the next couple of years is to focus on the design and development of an Israeli adaptation of the Index for Inclusion, based on field research.

Concurrently I plan to continue with my writings of a book, with Dr. Pnina Shavit, my ex-doctoral student, to expand on the Humanistic philosophy, theory and practice and its application in education and regarding the quality of life of persons with disabilities. I will also continue with the writing of numerous articles and chapters in books, the ones I am committed to as well as new ones.