

Dr. Yahel Kurlander

Curriculum Vitae – October 2021

A. Personal Details

- Full name: Yahel Kurlander
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B. Higher Education

2002 – 2005 B.A, *cum laude*, Education and Multi-Disciplinary Studies, Tel-Hai College, Israel

2005 – 2009 M.A, *cum laude*, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Haifa, Israel

Thesis advisor: Prof. Deborah Bernstein

Thesis title: Women's Work: Women Employers & Women Cleaning Workers in Private Households in Israel

2010 – 2019 PhD, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Haifa, Israel

Thesis Advisors: Prof. Rebeca Raijman and Prof. Deborah S. Bernstein

Thesis title: The Marketization of Migration – on the Emergence, Flourishment and Change of the Recruitment Industry for Agricultural Migrant Workers from Thailand to Israel

2020 - 2021 Post-Doctoral Fellow at TraffLab - Labor Perspectives of Human Trafficking. Prof. Hila Shamir - ERC Project at the Buchmann Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University, Israel

C. Academic Appointments and Academic Administrative Positions in Institutions of Higher Education

2013 – 2015 Visiting Scholar, Economic Geography Unit, Department of Geography, University of Zurich, Switzerland

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2018 – 2019	Research Fellow at TraffLab - Labor Perspectives of Human Trafficking. Prof. Hila Shamir - ERC Project at the Buchmann Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University, Israel
2017 – 2020	Initiated and Coordinated Faculty Seminars, Tel-Hai College
2012 – 2021	Adjunct Lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities, Tel-Hai College, Israel
2021 – Present	Lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities, Tel-Hai College, Israel
2021 – Present	Research Fellow at TraffLab - Labor Perspectives of Human Trafficking. Prof. Hila Shamir - ERC Project at the Buchmann Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University, Israel
2018 – Present	Member of the Disciplinary Committee, Tel-Hai College
2020 – Present	Member of the Globalization Forum of the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute
2021– Present	Co- Founder of the Rural Area Research Center (RARC), with Dr. Zeevik Greenberg, Tel-Hai College
2021– Present	Member of the Historic Cartography Research Institute

D. Teaching

Tel-Hai College

2015 - 2018	<i>Theories of Organizational Sociology</i> , B.A. Required Course (3 rd year), Department of Human Services
2016 - 2017	<i>Israeli Society</i> , B.A. Required Course (1 st year), Department of Social Work
2016 - 2018	<i>Organizational Behavior</i> , B.A. Required Course (2 nd year), Department of Human Services
2018 – 2018	<i>Qualitative Research Methods</i> , B.A. Required Course (2 nd year), Department of Human Services

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- 2017 – 2019 *Labor Migration in the Age of Human Services*, B.A. Annual Seminar Course (3rd year), Department of Human Services
- 2019 - 2020 *Israeli Society*, B.A. Required Course (2nd year), Department of Multidisciplinary Studies
- 2016 – 2021 *Introduction to the Sociology of Israeli Society*, B.A. Required Annual Course (1st year), Department of Human Services
- 2017 – Present *Encounters: Getting to know Organizations*, B.A. Required Course (2nd year), Department of Human Services
- 2019 - Present *Introduction to the Sociology*, B.A. Required Course (1st year), Department of Multidisciplinary Studies
- 2020 - Present *Organizational Diversity*, B.A. Annual Seminar Course (3rd year), Department of Human Services

E. Supervision of Graduate Students

F. Research Grants

- 2006 M.A Excellence Scholarship, Graduate Studies Authority, University of Haifa
- 2012 The Institute for Immigration and Social Integration Grant, Ruppin Academic Center with JDC Israel
- Publications Related: No. 2 in Theses, No. 2, 5 in Articles in Refereed Journals
- 2010 - 2014 PhD Excellence Scholarship, Graduate Studies Authority, University of Haifa
- 2019 Tel Hai Gender Equity Unit Graduation Grant
- Publications Related: No. 2 in Theses
- 2020 Tel Hai Gender Equity Unit Grant

Publications Related: No. 6 in Articles in refereed journals and
No. 5 in Articles in preparation

2020 Tel Hai Research and Development Authority Grant

Publications Related: No. 5 in Articles in refereed journals and
No. 1 in Articles in preparation

2021 Tel Hai Research and Development Authority Grant

Publications Related: No. 1, 2, 4 in Articles in preparation

G. Awards and Fellowships

2019 Tel Hai Teaching Excellence Award

2020 Tel Hai Student Association Teaching Excellence Award

Undergraduate Seminar Supervision Awards

2018 KKL-JNF Galilee Research Award

Raya Bshara, and Hilwa Shmet: *Druze Brides from Syria to the
Golan Heights*

2021 KKL-JNF Galilee Research Award

Muna Ahmad, and Moran Rosenberg: *Language as a Barrier
Among Arab Students in Israeli Academia*

G. Active Participation in Conferences

Presentations at Conferences

1. September 2015, Royal Geographical Society (with IBG), The 2015 Annual Conference. *The Rise and Fall of the Migration Industry: The Case of Recruitment Companies for Agricultural Labor Migration from Thailand to Israel*, Exeter, UK.
2. May 2018, Ruppin Academic Center, The 5th Ruppin International Conference on Immigration and Social Integration, *Migration Industry: The Case of Recruitment Companies for Agricultural Labor Migration from Thailand to Israel*. Ruppin, Israel

3. January 2019, Tel Aviv University, The Israeli Law and Society Association's Annual Conference, *Migrants or Students? The Age of Israel – Thailand Bilateral Agreement*, with Ben Israel, H., Tel Aviv, Israel. [Heb.]
4. January 2019, Tel Aviv University, The Israeli Law and Society Association's Annual Conference, *The State of Israel VS the Recruitment Industry: The Struggle to Implement the Israel – Thailand Bilateral Agreement*. Tel Aviv, Israel. [Heb.]
5. November 2019, Van Leer, The Conference on Globalization Studies, *Migration as a Tryptich: Regime Change, Global Trends and the Regulation of Migrant Labor for Israeli Agriculture*. With Cohen, A., Jerusalem, Israel.
6. December 2019, The Israeli Geographical Association, Annual Conference, *"Permanent Workers in the Back Yard": Employing Thai Agricultural Labor Migrants in the Israeli Countryside*. with Kaminer, M., Haifa, Israel. [Heb.]
7. December 2020, The Institute for Immigration and Social Integration Ruppin Academic Center, Labor Migration and COVID-19, *"Due to the Pandemic" - Agriculture Labor Migration in Israel in the Age of Covid-19*. Ruppin Academic Center. **Invited** [Heb.] [Zoom]
8. January 2021, Journal of Modern Slavery: A Multidisciplinary Exploration of Human: Trafficking Solutions Special Edition Online Event, *Underlying conditions: The Commodification of Migrant Workers Under COVID-19*, with Niezna, M., and Shamir, H. **Invited**. [Zoom]
9. February 2021, Sapir Academic College, Israeli Sociology Society Conference, *Existing Conditions: Commercialization and Violations of Freedom of Movement in the Corona Age*. with Niezna, M., and Shamir, H. Israel. [Heb.] [Zoom]
10. March 2021, Tel Aviv University, Special issue symposium: Israeli Sociology and the Dep. of Sociology and Anthropology, *Existing Conditions: Migrant Workers' Commercialization and Violations of Freedom of Movement in the Corona Age*. with Niezna, M., and Shamir, H. Israel. **Invited** [Heb.] [Zoom]

11. June 2021, Tel Aviv University. Bilateral Labor Agreements conference. *BLAs as Sites of Organizational Institutionalization*, with Cohen, A. Israel. (International Conference). [Zoom]

Talks and Discussions

1. February 2013, Asian Research Center for Migration Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University, *Thai labor Migration to Israel, Recruitment Process, Rights and Protection*. Bangkok, Thailand. **(Invited)**
2. February 2013, IOM Branch in Bangkok, *Thai Labor Migration to Israel, Recruitment Process, Rights and Protection*, Bangkok, Thailand.
3. April 2014, University of Zurich, Economic Geography Talk and discussion, *Thai Labor Migration for the Israeli Agriculture: Recruitment Patterns and Conceptual Questions on Migration Industry vs. Social Network*. Zurich, Switzerland. **Invited**
4. April 2018, Tel – Aviv University and TraffLab Launching Event, Regulating the Human Supply Chain, *A Structural Solution for a Structural Problem: Regulating the Recruitment Industries for Temporary Labor Migration*, Tel – Aviv Israel. **Invited**
5. June 2019, Stony Brook University and the Center for the Study of Men and Masculinities, *Labor Approach to Human Trafficking Analyzed through Theories of Masculinities*, Seminar Series, Long Island, USA. **Invited**
6. June 2020. Tel Aviv University and the Workers' Rights Clinic. *Agricultural Labor Migration in Israel - Main Dilemmas*. Tel Aviv, Israel. **Invited** [Heb.] [Zoom]
7. December 2020, Tel Aviv University and The Labor and Welfare Workshop. Panel Respondent, *Workers in the Agriculture Sector in Israel*, Tel Aviv Israel. **Invited** [Heb.] [Zoom]
8. June 2021, The Institute for Population and Social Research Mahidol University, *Thai Agricultural Migrant Workers in Israel During the Covid-19 Pandemic*, Bangkok, Thailand. **Invited** [Zoom]

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9. July 2021, The Institute for Immigration and Social Integration Ruppin Academic Center and The Commissioner for Foreign Workers' Labor Right. Problems and Suggested Solutions Conference, Agricultural Migrant Workers in Israel: Police Problems and Suggested Solutions, Ruppin, Israel. [Heb.]
10. August 2021, McMaster University. Transnational Labour Intermediation, Forced Labour and Regulatory Experimentation Virtual Events. Hamilton, Canada. **Invited** [Zoom]

H. Non-Academic Activity & Positions

2006 – 2008	Spokeswoman, "Isha Le'Isha" – Haifa Feminist Center
2009 – 2011	Research and Information Coordinator, Israel Women's Network (IWN).
2008 – 2013	Board Member and Chairwoman of "Mahut" Center – Information, Guidance and Employment for Women (volunteer position)
2012 – Present	Consultation to Kav LaOved's (Workers' Hotline) Agriculture Workers' Department (Volunteer Position)
2015 – Present	Court expert witness and opinion writer on Thai migrants in Israel
2018 – Present	Business Owner, Lecturer and Facilitator of Dialogue Groups
2018 – Present	Member of the CIMI - The Center for International Migration and Integration, Committee of Migrant Workers (Volunteer Position)
2020 – Present	Edits and broadcasts a weekly program on social issues at the local radio with Ditzza Rotem Lev (Volunteer Position)
2020 – Present	A member of Bait Hillel local education committee (Volunteer Position)

Selected Media Interviews

February 8, 2020. *A Disturbing Phenomenon: Agricultural Foreign Workers are drug dealers.* Mako

April 23, 2020. *Employment of Thai Workers During Covid-19.* Kav L'moshavim (Hib.)

July 21, 2020. *Labor Abuse Fears Rise for Thai Migrant Workers in Israel Under New Deal.* Reuters & Jerusalem Post

May 18, 2021. *Two Migrant Workers Killed by Gaza Rocket in Southern Israel.* Haaretz.

May 19, 2021. *Hamas rocket attack kills two Thai workers in Israel.* The New York Times

I. Attached Documents

J. Publications

Theses

1. Master Thesis. *Women's Work: Women Employers & Women Cleaning Workers in Private Households in Israel.* Haifa University, Prof. Deborah S. Bernstein, 2009. (Heb.)
2. Ph.D. thesis. *The Marketization of Migration – on the Emergence, Flourishment and Change of the Recruitment Industry for Agricultural Migrant Workers from Thailand to Israel,* Haifa University, Prof. Rebeca Rajjman and Prof. Deborah S. Bernstein, 2020 (Heb.)

Books

Edited books

Articles in refereed journals

1. Kurlander, Y., and Efrati, N. 2019. Our Herstory: Beit Hillel's Founding Mothers. *International Journal of Entrepreneurship and Small Business.* Vol. 37 (4). Pp. 573 – 581. [H-Index: 33, Q2]
2. Kurlander, Y., and Kaminer, M. 2020. "Permanent Workers in the Back Yard": Employing Thai Agricultural Labor Migrants in the Israeli

- Countryside. *Horizons in Geography*. Vol. 98 Pp. 131-148. (Heb.) [On The Planning and Budgeting Committee Journals List]
3. Kurlander, Y., Niezna, M., and Shamir, H. 2021. COVID-19's Impact on Non-Israeli Workers: Vulnerability, Commodification and Hope. *Israeli Sociology*. Vol. 21 No. 2 Pp. 82 – 89 (Heb.) [On The Planning and Budgeting Committee Journals List]
 4. Niezna, M., Kurlander, Y., and H., Shamir. 2021. Underlying conditions: The Increased Vulnerability of Migrant Workers Under COVID-19 in Israel. *Journal of Modern Slavery: A Multidisciplinary Exploration of Human Trafficking Solutions*. Vol. 6 (2). Pp. 133 - 158 [Not Ranked]
 5. Kurlander, Y., and Cohen*, A. Forthcoming. BLAs as Sites for the Meso-Level Dynamics of Institutionalization: A Cross-Sectoral Comparison. *Theoretical Inquiries in Law*. [Impact Score: 1.08, H-Index: 26, Law Rank: A]
**Equal Contribution*
 6. Kurlander, Y., and Zimmerman, I., Forthcoming. "Suitable Accommodation" for Agricultural and Caregivers Migrants Before and After Covid-19. *Hagira* (Heb.), [On the Planning and Budgeting Committee Journals List]
 7. Greenberg, Z., Gimmon, A., Farja, Y., and Kurlander, Y., Forthcoming. Home-Based Women Owners: The Effects of Location on Growth. *International Journal of Entrepreneurship and Small Business*. [H-Index: 33, Q2]

Manuscripts Under Review in Peer-Reviewed Journals

1. Kurlander, Y. On the establishment of the agricultural migration industry in Israel's countryside. *Geography Research Forum (GRF)*
2. Kurlander, Y. The Moshavim Movement and Agricultural Labor Migration. *100 Years of the Moshav*. Yad Tabenkin (Heb.) Edited by: Prof. Michael Sofer and Prof. Levia Applebaum.

3. Greenberg, Z., and Kurlander, Y. "A Strong Feeling of Togetherness": A Group of Low-Income Single Mothers' Bargain for Their Place in Academia. *Community College Journal of Research and Practice*.

Other Publications

1. Ash Kurlander, Y. *We Keep Running, But Are We Getting "Somewhere Else?"*: Women in Israel in 2010. A Shadow Report Submitted to the Beijing +15 Conference. IWN: Ramat Gan. 2010.
2. Ash Kurlander, Y., and Shargil, G. *The Catalyst Research Study in Israel: Women Leading Business*. IWN: Ramat Gan. 2011.
3. Simchai, D., and Ash Kurlander, Y. *Feminism in Class: Opinions of Teenagers in Israel* IWN: Ramat Gan. (Heb.), 2012.
4. Ash Kurlander, Y. *Agricultural Labor Migration to Israel in Light of the Bilateral Agreement Between Thailand and Israel: Preliminary Recommendations*. JDC: Jerusalem (Heb.), 2014.
5. Ash Kurlander, Y. *Agricultural Labor Migration to Israel in Light of the Bilateral Agreement Between Thailand and Israel: Final Report*. JDC: Jerusalem (Heb.), 2014.
6. Ash Kurlander, Y. Isha L'Isha: The Structure of the Organization and its Activities in an Urban Space. In Safran, H., and Bar-din, T. (Eds.) *Isha L'Isha: 30 Years of Feminist Action*. Pardes: Haifa (Heb.), 2015.
7. Kurlander, Y. *Private Companies and Manpower Corporation in* Shamir, H. and Niezna, M. (Eds.), *An Alternative Anti-Trafficking Action Plan: A Proposed Model Based on a Labor Approach to Trafficking*, TraffLab Research Group Policy Paper, Tel Aviv University (Heb.) 2020.

Articles in preparation

1. Kurlander, Y. *"All sorts of shady": The Common Practices of the Agricultural Recruitment and Placement Industry Between Israel and Thailand*

2. Kurlander, Y., Shoham, S., and Kaminer, M. *Crucial Yet Disavowed: Three Decades of Relations Between Israeli Farmers and Thai Migrant Workers.*
3. Kurlander, Y., and Shamir, H. *Control and Resistance: The Impact of COVID-19 on Thai and Palestinian Farmworkers Working in Israel.*
4. Kurlander, Y., Barkay, T., and Zimmerman, I. *Home and the Accommodation for Agricultural and Caregivers Migrants Before and After Covid-19*
5. Kurlander, Y., and Port, T. and Arnon Manshov, Y. *To Migrant from the Taqiyya: Druze Who Relocate from the Golan Heights Abroad*
6. Kurlander, Y., and Shoham, S. *Intersectional Perspective of Women Labor Migrants in Men-Dominated Occupation: The Agriculture Sector Case*
7. Cohen, A., and Kurlander, Y. *Migration as a Tryptich: Regime Change, Global Trends and the Regulation of Migrant Labor for Israeli Agriculture*

Book in preparation

1. Kurlander, Y. The Marketization of Migration – on the Emergence, Flourishment and Change of the Recruitment Industry for Agricultural Migrant Workers from Thailand to Israel. *processing Thesis into Book* (Heb.)

K. Miscellaneous

June 6-8, 2021 *Conference Organization, Tel Aviv University, Bilateral Labor Agreements, Israel. (International Conference).*

2015 KKL-JNF Fellows of the University of Haifa Prize

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Preparing a Curriculum Vitae
(Pisanie życiorysu) Wolawa Symborska

What is required?
Fill out the application
and attach a curriculum vitae.

Regardless of life's length
its outline should be short.

Mandatory are conciseness and selectivity.
Substitution of addresses for landscapes
and firm dates for shaky memories.

Of all the loves only the marital will do,
and of all the children only those actually born.

More important than whom you know is who knows you.
Mention travel only if abroad.
Membership in what but without the whatfors.
Honors but without the wherefores.

Write as though you have never talked with yourself
and have always steered clear of yourself.

Say nothing about your dogs, cats and birds,
your precious keepsakes, friends and dreams.

Rather the price than the value, the title than the contents.
Rather the size of the shoes than where he is going,
the person they take you for.

Attach a snapshot too, with one ear exposed.
What counts is its shape, not what it hears.