

The State of Israel: The First Decade, 1948-1958

400 level seminar

Tuesdays 3:30-6:00

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Introduction: Statehood and War

Nadav Safran, "The War of Independence and the Birth of Israel", in *Israel: The Embattled Ally* (Cambridge MA and London: Belknap, 1978), 43-64.

Tuesday Feb. 3: From *Yishuv* to State

Jehuda Reinhartz, "The Transition from Yishuv to State: Social and Ideological Changes", *New Perspectives on Israeli History: The Early Years of the State*, Laurence J. Silberstein (ed.), (New York: New York University Press, 1991), 27-41.
Yossi Katz and Yair Paz, "The Transfer of Government Ministries to Jerusalem, 1948-49: Continuity or Change in the Zionist Attitude to Jerusalem?", *Journal of Israeli History*, 23/2 (2004), 232-259.

Tuesday Feb. 10: Aspects of War: Front and Rear

Lilach Rosenberg-Friedman, "Religious Women Fighters in Israel's War of Independence: A New Gender Perception, or a Passing Episode?", *Nashim: A Journal of Jewish Women's Studies and Gender Issues*, 6 (2003), 119-147.
Nurit Cohen Levinovsky, "The Evacuation of the Noncombatant Population in the 1948 War: Three Kibbutzim as a Case Study", *Journal of Israeli History*, 26/1 (2007), 1-34.

Tuesday Feb. 17: Palestinians Refugees and Israeli Arabs

Yoav Gelber, "The Historical Background", *The Palestinian Refugees: Old Problems – New Solutions*, Joseph Ginat and Edward J. Perkins (eds.), (Brighton and Portland: Sussex Academic Press, 2001), 17-33.
Don Peretz, "Early State Policy towards the Arab Population, 1948-1955", *New Perspectives on Israeli History: The Early Years of the State*, Laurence J. Silberstein (ed.), (New York: New York University Press, 1991), 82-102.

Tuesday Feb. 24: New Jewish Immigrants

Moshe Lissak, "The Demographic-Social Revolution in Israel in the 1950s: The Absorption of the Great 'Aliyah'", *Journal of Israeli History*, 22/2 (2003), 1-31.
Avi Picard, "Immigration, health and social control: Medical aspects of the policy governing *Aliyah* from Morocco and Tunisia, 1951-54", *Journal of Israeli History*, 22/2 (2003), 32-60.

Tuesday March 10: Settlement

Arnon Golan, "Jewish Settlement of Former Arab Towns and their Incorporation into the Israeli Urban System (1948-50)", *Israel Affairs*, 9/1-2 (2003), 149-164.
Yossi Ben-Artzi, "Kibbutz or *Moshav*? Priority changes of settlement types in Israel, 1949-53", *Israel Affairs*, 8/1-2 (2002), 163-176.

Tuesday March 17: Security and the Military

Zaki Shalom, "Strategy in Debate: Arab Infiltration and Israeli Retaliation Policy in the Early 1950s", *Israel Affairs*, 8/3 (2002), 104-117.

Ze'ev Drori, "Utopia in Uniform", *Israel: The First Decade of Independence*, S. Ilan Troen and Noah Lucas (eds.), (Albany NY: SUNY, 1995), 593-613.

Tuesday March 24: Ben Gurion and Centralism

Eliezer Don-Yehiya, "Political Religion in a New State: Ben-Gurion's Mamlachtiyut", *Israel: The First Decade of Independence*, S. Ilan Troen and Noah Lucas (eds.), (Albany NY: SUNY, 1995), 171-192.

Anita Shapira, "Ben-Gurion and the Bible: The Forging of an Historical Narrative?", *Middle Eastern Studies*, 33/4 (1997), 645-674.

Tuesday March 31: The Shadow of the Holocaust

Neima Barzel, "Dignity, Hatred and Memory – Reparations from Germany: The Debates in the 1950s", *Yad Vashem Studies*, 24 (1994), 247-280.

Yechiam Weitz, "The Herut Movement and the Katzner Trial", *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, 8/3 (1994), 349-371.

Tuesday Apr. 7: Everyday Life: Austerity and Food

Orit Rozin, "The Austerity Policy and the Rule of Law: Relations between Government and Public in Fledgling Israel", *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies*, 4/3 (2005), 273-290.

Orit Rozin, "Food, Identity and Nation Building in Israel's Formative Years", *Israel Studies Forum*, 21/1 (2006), 52-80.

Tuesday Apr. 14: Foreign Policy

Motti Golani, "The Sinai War, 1956: Three Partners, Three Wars", in *The 1956 War: Collusion and Rivalry in the Middle East*, David Tal (ed.), (Portland Or: Frank Cass, 2001), 169-193.

Uri Bialer, "Israel's Global Foreign Policy, 1948-1956", *New Perspectives on Israeli History: The Early Years of the State*, Laurence J. Silberstein (ed.), (New York: New York University Press, 1991), 227-241.

Tuesday Apr. 21: Sport Matters

Haggai Harif, "Israeli Sport in the Transition from a Mandatory Community to a Sovereign State: Trends of Continuity and Change", *Israel Affairs*, 13/3 (2007), 529 – 553.

* Students' Presentations.

Tuesday Apr. 28: Final meeting.