

Prof. Naomi Gale is a Schusterman Visiting Professor for the 2008-09 year at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Naomi Gale was born in Iraq, immigrated to Israel and was raised in Kiryat Malachi, a small town in the south of Israel. Before and after her service in the Israeli army she worked extensively with youth in poverty-stricken areas of Israel. At a later stage Professor Gale worked with youth in North London for two years.

Professor Gale completed her BA at the University of Tel Aviv in Sociology and Anthropology and minored in Social Work.

Professor Gale received her PhD. from the University of Sydney, after researching the immigration of Sephardic Jews to Australia during the years of the White Australia Policy with emphasis on the family structure and kinship system.

For her Post Doctoral research she went to Western Australia to conduct fieldwork about the emigration of the Jews from Zfat, in the north of Israel, at the turn of the 20th Century. The research was conducted under the auspices of the University of Sydney and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Professor Gale obtained her LLB from the Herzliya Interdisciplinary College of Law, specializing in criminal, family and small claims. She is an attorney and a member of the Israeli Bar. Professor Gale also specializes in Alternative Dispute Resolution in general and family issues. She completed her internship at the Magistrate court in the Criminal Division, under the supervision of the Deputy President of the Magistrate court The Honorary Justice Hayim Nachmias.

During the year 2006-2007 Gale completed a sabbatical at the University of Cambridge, England, perusing two projects, one comparing the Israeli and the Common Law legal systems, with emphasis on the jury system, the second looking into sibling incest the treatment of the courts and the law in comparative perspective.

During the 2007-2008 year she served as a Schusterman Visiting Professor at the American University and the Washington College of Law in Washington DC.

Professor Gale's teaching experience is extensive. While researching her PhD and Post Doc, Naomi taught at the University of Sydney in Australia and at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem respectively. In recent years, Professor Gale's teaching and lecturing career took her to the European and North American continents. She lectured at the Bar-Ilan University and at several colleges under the auspices of the BI University. For several years, she held the position of Senior Lecturer and the Coordinator of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the Academic College of Ashkelon, where she was one on the driving forces in the establishment of the department.

Professor Gale won several scholarships and prizes - amongst them are the Golda Meir Post Doctoral Fellowship, by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Sir Zalman Cowen Fellowship, from the University of Sydney; the Greenlyle Bequest, for the upgrading from the M.A. level to the Ph.D. level; Australian Institute for Jewish Affairs' Grant; and the Mendelbaum Trust from the University of Sydney. Other

research grants include those from the academic College in support of the publication of her books.

Professor Gale has published in the area of immigration, gender and Israeli society, with two books **Violence against Women**, 2003, and **The Sephardim of Sydney**, 2005, and several articles, including pieces in the *Journal of Sociology*, *Ethnology*, *NEW COMMUNITY* and the *International Journal of Sociology of the Family*.

Articles in progress

The "Jury System" the Israeli Legal System and the Judiciary was presented at the **International Conference of the Israeli Law and Society Association**, December 24-26, 2008, at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Incestuous Behavior, and the treatment of the Israeli Law and the courts.

Center-Periphery Relations and their effects on Mobility and self-image of three generations of Jewish Iraqi women in Israel. It was presented during the **American Anthropological Association 117 Annual Meeting**, Nov. 19-23, 2008, San Francisco, California.

ASHKELON AS A CASE STUDY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT: Does Urbanization of Suburb-Like Structures by "Infilling Techniques" Contribute to Successful Social Integration?

Books in progress

The Israeli Legal System: Sixty years in the Making Sabbatical took place in Israel and University of Cambridge, Cambridge, United Kingdom. (The anticipated date of publication is mid 2010.)

Siblings Incestuous Behavior: A Collection of life histories and their treatment by the Israeli courts system. (The anticipated date of publication, yet to be determined)

Emigration of Jews from the City of Zafet to Perth, Western Australia at the beginning of the 20th Century. Post Doctoral Research; took place in Western Australia and Israel. The Universities of Sydney and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The anticipated date of publication is mid 2010.

Courses

American University and the Washington College of Law: Washington DC:

Comparative Law US/Israel Law; Israeli Law and Legal System.

University of Colorado - Boulder: Comparative Law US/Israel Law; Gender in the Middle East; Cultures of the Middle East; History of Israel; Introduction to Jewish Cultures.

In the Fall semester 2009: Will be teaching Introduction to Israeli/Jewish Law.