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EDUCATION

- 2022–Present **S.J.D. (Law) Candidate**, Harvard Law School (Dissertation committee: Professors Crystal Yang, Oren Bar-Gill, Holger Spamann and Kathryn Spier) (expected graduation: 2027)
- 2022 **LL.M. (Law)**, Harvard Law School (requirements fulfilled, degree waived)
- 2020 **LL.B. (Law) *Magna cum Laude***, Tel Aviv University Buchmann Faculty of Law
- 2024–Present **Ph.D. (Economics) Candidate**, Hebrew University School of Economics (Supervisor: Professor Ori Heffetz) (expected graduation: 2027)
- 2023 **B.A. (Economics) *Magna cum Laude***, Tel Aviv University School of Economics
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EMPLOYMENT

- 2026–Present Fellow, Center for Law, Economics and Organization, NYU Law School
- 2026 Teaching Assistant for Professor Ori Heffetz (Behavioral Economics), Hebrew University School of Economics
- 2023–24 Teaching Assistant for Professor Kathryn Spier (Analytical Methods for Lawyers), Harvard University Law School
- 2020–21 Supreme Court of Israel, *Law Clerk to the Honorable Justice Ofer Grosskopf*, Jerusalem, Israel
- 2020–21 Teaching Assistant for Professor Oren Bar-Gill (Law, Economics and Psychology), Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law
- 2017–21 Research Assistant for Professors Oren Bar-Gill (in the field of behavioral law & economics), Talia Fisher (in the field of evidence law), and Tamar Kricheli-Katz (in the fields of empirical studies on discrimination), Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law
- 2017–18 Student Paralegal, Central District Attorney's Office (Criminal)
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FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS & HONORS

- 2026–Present Fellow, Center for Law, Economics and Organization, NYU Law School
- 2024–Present Fellow, Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University
- 2025–Present The President and Mandel Scholarships for Outstanding Graduate Students, Hebrew University
- 2022–2026 Fellow, John M. Olin Center for Law, Economics, and Business, Harvard Law School
- 2025 Steven L. Werner Prize in Criminal Justice, Harvard Law School
- 2024 Mind, Brain, and Behavior Graduate Student Award, Harvard University
- 2024 Research Grant, Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University

2023	John M. Olin Prize in Law and Economics, Harvard Law School
2022	The Göran Skogh Award for the best paper presented by a young scholar at the annual conference of the European Association of Law and Economics (EALE)
2022	Dean's Scholar Prize, Harvard Law School (twice)
2021–2027	The E. David Fischman Scholarship
2018–2020	Dean's List, Tel Aviv Faculty of Law (three consecutive years)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Job Market Paper 2026-2027: What Judges See – and What They Don't: Feedback Loops in the Criminal Justice System (**manuscript available upon request**)
 - When the Law of Small Numbers Meets the Law: A Theory of Judicial Quotas in Pre-Trial Detention Hearings ([link](#)) (**under review**)
 - Decision Cascades ([link](#)) (**under review**) (with Adi Leibovitch)
 - Offending to Learn (with Yuval Feldman) (**manuscript available upon request**)
 - Frequency-Based Deterrence Theory (**manuscript available upon request**)
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PUBLICATIONS

- Early Isn't Always Better: Experimental Evidence on the Deterrent Effect of Delayed Enforcement ([link](#)), _ **The Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization** (Forthcoming) (awarded the Harvard Law School Steven L. Werner Prize in Criminal Justice)
 - How do People Learn from *Not* Being Caught? An Experimental Investigation of a Non-Occurrence Bias ([link](#)), _ **The Journal of Legal Studies** (Forthcoming) (Awarded the Göran Skogh Award for the best paper presented by a young scholar at the annual conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, and the Harvard Law School John M. Olin Prize in Law and Economics)
 - LegalBench: A Collaboratively Built Benchmark for Measuring Legal Reasoning in Large Language Models, **Proceedings of the 37th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)** (2023) (with Neel Guha et al.) (contributed data)
 - A Theory of Remedies for Loss of Future Earnings in the Presence of Wage Disparities, 46 **TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW** 289 (2022) (with Omer Y. Peled) (Hebrew)
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MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- The American Economic Association (since 2025)
 - The American Law and Economics Association (since 2022)
 - The European Association of Law and Economics (since 2022)
 - The Society for Empirical Legal Studies (since 2022)
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PRESENTATIONS

What Judges See – and What They Don't: Feedback Loops in the Criminal Justice System

- Workshop in Contracts and Organizations, Harvard School of Economics, Cambridge, MA (March 2026)

When the Law of Small Numbers Meets the Law: A Theory of Judicial Quotas in Pre-Trial Detention Hearings

- Workshop in Contracts and Organizations, Harvard School of Economics, Cambridge, MA (March 2024)
- Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting, New Orleans LA (January 2026)
- Law & Economics Seminar, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA (February 2026)

Offending to Learn

- The Chicago/Michigan Psychology & Lab Studies Group (PALS) Workshop (February 2026)

Decision Cascades

- Israeli Law and Economics Association Annual Conference, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel (June 2024)
- Law & Economics Seminar, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA (October 2024)

Early Isn't Always Better: Experimental Evidence on the Deterrent Effect of Delayed Enforcement

- Experimental Methods in Legal Scholarship, Max Planck Institute, Bonn, Germany (May 2024)
- Workshop in Contracts and Organizations, Harvard School of Economics, Cambridge, MA (October 2024)
- Law and Economics Seminar, University of Texas Law School, Austin, TX (October 2024)
- 18th Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, GA (November 2024)
- 35th Annual Conference of the American Law and Economics Association, New York University School of Law, NY (May 2025)
- Israeli Law and Economics Association Annual Conference, Bar-Illan University, Israel (December 2025)
- Law and Economics Workshop, New York University Law School, New York, NY (January 2026)
- Law and Economics Workshop, Notre Dame Law School, Indiana, IN (March 2026)

How do People Learn from Not Being Caught? An Experimental Investigation of a Non-Occurrence Bias

- 39th Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Nova School of Business and Economics and Nova School of Law, Lisbon, Portugal (September 2022)
- Law & Economics Seminar, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA (October 2022)
- Harvard Empirical Legal Studies Series, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA (November 2022)
- Experimental Methods in Legal Scholarship, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel (May 2023)
- 33rd Annual Conference of the American Law and Economics Association, Boston University School of Law, MA (June 2023)
- 17th Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, The University of Chicago Law School, IL (October 2023)
- Law & Economics Seminar, Boston University School of Law, Boston, MA (April 2024)