

Prof. Sarah Stroumsa - CV

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Sarah Stroumsa is the Alice and Jack Ormut Professor Emerita of Arabic Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She received her academic education at the Hebrew University, as well as at the École Pratique des Hautes Études in Paris. She taught in the Department of Arabic Language and Literature and the Department of Jewish Thought at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, where she served as Vice-Rector and then as Rector. She was a Visiting Professor at Harvard, Chicago, Michigan, Paris, Münster and Rabat.

Her academic focus is the history of philosophical and theological thought in Arabic in the early Islamic Middle Ages, and the medieval Judeo-Arabic culture. In her philologically-based work she strives to offer a multifocal approach to the study of intellectual history.

Prof. Stroumsa served as the President of the Society for Judeo-Arabic Studies. She is a laureate of the Humboldt Research Award, a holder of the Italian Solidarity Order of Merit, and a recipient of the Leopold Lucas Prize. She is a member of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities as well as of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, and of the American Philosophical Society, and an associate member of the Academy of the Kingdom of Morocco. In 2025 she was elected to the German Order Pour le Mérite for Sciences and the Arts.

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