

CURRICULUM VITAE
Sarah Bunin Benor

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2017-present **Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion**
Professor of Contemporary Jewish Studies
- 2010-2017 **Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion**
Associate Professor of Contemporary Jewish Studies (tenure granted 7/12)
- 2004-2010 **Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion**
Assistant Professor of Contemporary Jewish Studies

COURTESY AND AFFILIATED POSITIONS

- 2014-present **Brandeis University**
Affiliated Scholar, Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Jewish Education
- 2017-present **University of Southern California**
Adjunct Professor (courtesy), Department of Linguistics
- 2010-2017 **University of Southern California**
Adjunct Associate Professor (courtesy), Department of Linguistics
- 2004-2010 **University of Southern California**
Adjunct Assistant Professor (courtesy), Department of Linguistics

ACADEMIC DEGREES

- 2004 **Stanford University:** Ph.D.: Linguistics
- 2001 **Stanford University:** M.A.: Linguistics
- 1997 **Columbia College** of Columbia University, New York City:
B.A., Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa: Comparative Literature, Linguistics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Jewish languages, American Jewish identity and culture, sociolinguistic variation, language and identity, language and ethnicity, language contact, ethnography, Orthodox Jews

AUTHORED BOOKS

- Benor, Sarah Bunin, Jonathan Krasner, and Sharon Avni. In preparation. *Hebrew in the Sunshine: Language and Community at North American Jewish Summer Camps*. Rutgers University (advance contract signed 5/16, expected publication 2018).
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2012. *Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.
Reviewed/profiled in many venues, including *Language in Society*, *Jewish Culture and History*, *Journal of Multilingual and Multicultural Development*, *Journal of Jewish Languages*, *Jewish Review of Books*, *Jewish Week*, *Forward*, *Jewish Press*. Winner of the Sami Rohr Choice Award for Jewish Literature.

BOOKS, JOURNALS, AND JOURNAL ISSUES EDITED

- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Ofra Tirosh-Becker. 2013-. Co-editors-in-chief, *Journal of Jewish Languages*, published twice a year by Brill.
- Hary, Benjamin and Sarah Bunin Benor, eds. Forthcoming. *Languages in Jewish Communities, Past and Present*. Berlin: De Gruyter Mouton.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Tom Fields-Meyer. 2017. *We the Resilient: Wisdom for America from Women Born Before Suffrage*. Eugene, Oregon: Luminare Press. (Non-academic)
- Doron, Edit, in cooperation with Ofra Tirosh-Becker and Sarah Bunin Benor. 2016. *Language Contact and the Development of Modern Hebrew*. Leiden: Brill.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Tsvi Sadan, eds. 2011. Special issue of *Language and Communication*: "Jewish Languages in the Age of the Internet." 31/2.
- Benor, Sarah, Mary Rose, Devyani Sharma, Julie Sweetland, and Qing Zhang, eds. 2002. *Gendered Practices in Language*. Stanford: CSLI Press.

ARTICLES IN PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "On Jewish Languages, Names, and Distinctiveness." *Jewish Quarterly Review* 106/4 (forum on the 50th anniversary of Gerson Cohen's "The Blessing of Assimilation in Jewish History"). 440-449.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Black and Jewish: Language and Multiple Strategies for Self-Presentation." *American Jewish History* 100/1. 51-71.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Ofra Tirosh-Becker. 2013. "A New Venue for Research on Jewish Languages." *Journal of Jewish Languages* 1/1. 3-7.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2012. "Response to Steven M. Cohen's Marshall Sklare lecture, AJS 2010." *Contemporary Jewry* 32/1. 99-102.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "Mensch, Bentsh, and Balagan: Variation in the American Jewish Linguistic Repertoire." *Language and Communication* 31/2. 141-154.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "Jewish Languages in the Age of the Internet: An Introduction." *Language and Communication* 31/2. 95-98.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2010. "Ethnolinguistic Repertoire: Shifting the Analytic Focus in Language and Ethnicity." *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 14/2. 159-183.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2009. "Do American Jews Speak a 'Jewish Language'? A Model of Jewish Linguistic Distinctiveness." *Jewish Quarterly Review* 99/2. 230-269.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2008. "Towards a New Understanding of Jewish Language in the 21st Century." *Religion Compass* 2/6. 1062-1080.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Roger Levy. 2006. "The Chicken or the Egg? A Probabilistic Analysis of English Binomials." *Language* 82/2, June 2006. 233-278.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2004. "Talmid Chachams and Tsedeykeses: Language, Learnedness, and Masculinity Among Orthodox Jews." *Jewish Social Studies* 11/1. 147-170.

OTHER ACADEMIC ARTICLES

- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Bernard Spolsky. Forthcoming. "The Sociolinguistic Ecology of Jewish Communities: The Changing State of Jewish Language Varieties." In *The Changing World Language Map*, Stanley D. Brunn, ed. New York: Springer, expected publication 2018.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. Forthcoming. "Written Jewish English." In *Jewish Languages: Text Specimens, Grammatical, Lexical, and Cultural Sketches*, ed. Lutz Edzard and Ofra Tirosh-

- Becker. In *Porta Linguarum Orientalium* series. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, expected publication 2018.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. Forthcoming. "Jewish English in the United States." *Languages in Jewish Communities, Past and Present*, ed. Benjamin Hary and Sarah Bunin Benor, Berlin: De Gruyter Mouton, expected publication 2018.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Netta Avineri. Forthcoming. "Beyond Language Proficiency: Fostering Metalinguistic Communities in Jewish Educational Settings." In *Beyond Jewish Identity: Rethinking Concepts and Imagining Alternatives*. Jon Levisohn and Ari Y. Kelman, eds. New York: Academic Studies Press, expected publication 2017.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. Forthcoming. "Hebrew Infusion in American Jewish Life: Tensions and the Role of Israeli Hebrew." In *What We Talk About When We Talk About Hebrew (And Why It Matters to Americans)*. Nancy Berg and Naomi Sokoloff, eds. Seattle: University of Washington Press, expected publication 2017.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Jews of Color: Performing Black Jewishness through the Creative Use of Two Ethnolinguistic Repertoires." In *Raciolinguistics: How Language Shapes Our Ideas About Race*. H. Samy Alim, John R. Rickford, and Arnetha F. Ball, eds. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 171-184.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Jewish English." In *Handbook of Jewish Languages*. Lily Kahn and Aaron Rubin, eds. Leiden: Brill. 130-137.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2015. "How Synagogues Became *Shuls*: The Boomerang Effect in Yiddish-Influenced English, 1895-2010." In *Germanic Heritage Languages in North America*. Janne Bondi Johannessen and Joseph Salmons, eds. Series: Studies in Language Variation. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. 217-233.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2014. "Rhetoric About the Diverse Jewish Community." *American Jewish Year Book 2014*. Ed., Arnold Dashefsky and Ira Sheskin. New York: Springer. 23-26.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. "From Sabbath to Shabbat: Changing Language of Reform Sisterhood Leaders, 1913-2012." In *Sisterhood: A Centennial History of Women of Reform Judaism*, ed. Carole B. Balin, Dana Herman, Jonathan D. Sarna, and Gary P. Zola. Cincinnati: American Jewish Archives. 314-337.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. "Hebrew Component in Jewish English." In *Encyclopedia of Hebrew Language and Linguistics*, ed. Geoffrey Khan. Leiden: Brill. Vol. 2, 384-385.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2012. "Echoes of Yiddish in the Speech of Twenty-First-Century American Jews." In *Choosing Yiddish: Studies on Yiddish Literature, Culture, and History*, ed. Lara Rabinovitch, Shiri Goren, and Hannah Pressman. Detroit: Wayne State Press. 319-337.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2012. "Jewish Languages." In *Oxford Bibliographies in Jewish Studies*, ed. David Biale. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "Hummus, Challah, and Gefilte Fish: Israel in Diaspora Jewish Culture." Response to section on "Jewries Meet: Negotiating US – Israel Relations" in *Dynamic Belonging: Contemporary Jewish Collective Identities*, ed. Harvey Goldberg, Steven M. Cohen, and Ezra Kopelowitz. Oxford: Berghahn Books. 219-222.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "Young Jewish Leaders in Los Angeles: Strengthening the Jewish People in Conventional and Unconventional Ways." In *The New Jewish Leaders: Reshaping the American Jewish Landscape*, ed., Jack Wertheimer. Hanover, NH: Brandeis University Press. 112-158.

- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "Hameyvin Yavin: Language and Super Jews." *Association for Jewish Studies Perspectives*. Fall 2011. 36-37.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Steven M. Cohen. 2011. "Talking Jewish: The 'Ethnic English' of American Jews." In *Ethnicity and Beyond: Theories and Dilemmas of Jewish Group Demarcation. Studies in Contemporary Jewry*, vol. 25. Eli Lederhendler, ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 62-78.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2009. "Lexical Othering in Judezmo: How Ottoman Sephardim Refer to Non-Jews." In *Languages and Literatures of Sephardic and Oriental Jews: Proceedings of the Sixth International Congress*. David M. Bunis, ed. Jerusalem: The Bialik Institute and Misgav Yerushalayim. 65-85.
- Spolsky, Bernard and Sarah Bunin Benor. 2006. "Jewish Languages." In *Encyclopedia of Language and Linguistics*. Keith Brown, ed. 2nd edition. Vol. 6. Oxford: Elsevier. 120-124.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2004. *Second Style Acquisition: The Linguistic Socialization of Newly Orthodox Jews*. Unpublished PhD Dissertation, Stanford University. (Committee: Penelope Eckert (chair), Eve Clark, Arnold Eisen, John Rickford.)
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2001. "The Learned /t/: Phonological Variation in Orthodox Jewish English." *Penn Working Papers in Linguistics: Selected Papers from NAWAV 29*. Tara Sanchez and Daniel Ezra Johnson, eds. Philadelphia: Univ. of Penn. Linguistics. 1-16.
- Benor, Sarah. 2000. "Loan Words in the English of Modern Orthodox Jews: Yiddish or Hebrew?" *Proceedings of the Berkeley Linguistic Society's 25th Annual Meeting, 1999*. Steve S. Chang, Lily Liaw, and Josef Ruppenhofer, eds. Berkeley: Berkeley Linguistic Society. 287-298.
- Benor, Sarah. 1998. "Yavnish: A Linguistic Analysis of Columbia's Orthodox Jewish Community." *'Iggrot ha'Ari: Columbia University Student Journal of Jewish Scholarship* 1/2. 8-50.
- Benor, Sarah. 1997. "A Wedding in the Jewish Autonomous Region: Itsik Fefer's Yiddish Poem *A Khasene in Birobidzhan*." *'Iggrot ha'Ari* 1/1. 36-49.

APPLIED RESEARCH REPORTS AND ARTICLES

- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Steven M. Cohen. 2017. "From Academic Scholarship to Popular Op-Ed." *eJewishPhilanthropy*, 1/31/17. <http://ejewishphilanthropy.com/from-academic-scholarship-to-popular-op-ed/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "American Jews Speak a 'Jewish Language.'" In *More Than Managing* (volume in honor of Leslie Wexner), edited by Lawrence A. Hoffman. Woodstock, VT: Jewish Lights.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin, Jonathan Krasner, and Sharon Avni. 2016. "Survey of Hebrew at North American Jewish Summer Camps." Waltham, MA: Brandeis University Mandel Center for Studies in Jewish Education. <http://www.brandeis.edu/mandel/pdfs/2016-Hebrew-in-camp-survey-report.pdf>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Hebrew Infusion at American Jewish Summer Camps." Consortium for Applied Studies in Jewish Education. <http://www.casje.org/news/hebrew-infusion-american-jewish-summer-camps>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin, and Jonathan Krasner. 2015. "Meltzing, Marps, and Shabboptions: Hebrew at North American Jewish Summer Camps." Wexner Foundation Blog, 8/10/15. <http://www.wexnerfoundation.org/blog/meltzing-marps-and-shabboptions-hebrew-at-north-american-jewish-summer-camps>.

- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2014. "Engaging the Public Through Jewish Languages." Learning About Learning: Brandeis Mandel Center Blog, 9/18/14. <http://blogs.brandeis.edu/mandeljewished/?p=1834>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2014. "Foster Relationships, Build Bridges." *Contact: The Journal of the Steinhardt Foundation for Jewish Life* 16/1. p. 5. <http://ejewishphilanthropy.com/foster-relationships-build-bridges/>.
- Dean-Olmsted, Evelyn, Sarah Bunin Benor, and Jim Gerstein. 2014. "Connected to Give: Community Circles." Los Angeles: Jumpstart. https://givingcirclesfund.org/uploads/prod/public/pdf/54180bbe9c01c_93286.pdf.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. "Multiplex Networks: The Ties That Bind." *Sh'ma: A Journal of Jewish Ideas*, November 2013. <http://shma.com/2013/11/multiplex-networks-the-ties-that-bind/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. "Pew Study Finds a Vibrant Jewish Community." *Jewish Journal*, 10/10/13. http://www.jewishjournal.com/cover_story/article/pew_study_finds_a_vibrant_jewish_community.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. "Increasing Diversity Means There Is No Such Thing as a Typical Jew." *Forward*, 10/5/13. <http://forward.com/articles/184984/increasing-diversity-means-there-is-no-such-thing/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "'Mainstream' vs. 'Innovative' Jewish Organizations: How Different Are They? A Study of Young Jewish Leaders in Los Angeles." *Journal of Jewish Communal Service* 86/1-2. 65-71. <http://www.bjpa.org/Publications/details.cfm?PublicationID=13785>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Bruce A. Phillips. 2009. "Pedagogy and Impact: The SJCS Master's Thesis." *Journal of Jewish Communal Service* 84/3-4, special issue on "The HUC-JIR School of Jewish Communal Service: Celebrating the Past, Shaping the Future." 228-231. <http://www.bjpa.org/Publications/details.cfm?PublicationID=4433>.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2015. Review of *The Languages of the Jews*, Bernard Spolsky, Cambridge University Press, 2014. *Language in Society* 44/5. 736-740.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2015. Review of *The Languages of the Jews*, Bernard Spolsky, Cambridge University Press, 2014. *Marginalia Review of Books*. <http://marginalia.lareviewofbooks.org/sociolinguistic-history-jews/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. Review of *Twenty-First Century Yiddishism*, Tatjana Soldat-Jaffe, Sussex Academic Press, 2012. H-Judaic, H-Net Reviews. June, 2013. <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=35886>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2006. Review of *Gender and the Language of Religion*, Allyson Jule, ed., Palgrave MacMillan, 2005. *Gender and Language* 1. 149-154.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2006. Review of *Language in Jewish Society: Towards a New Understanding*, John Myhill, Multilingual Matters, 2004. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 10/3. 396-399.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2004. Review of *Mystics, Mavericks and Merrymakers: An Intimate Journey among Hasidic Girls*, Stephanie Wellen Levine, New York University Press, 2003. *American Jewish History* 92/1. 140-143.

WEBSITES

- Jewish Language Research Website: <http://jewish-languages.org/>, founded 2000, with Tsvi Sadan.
- Jewish English Lexicon: <http://jewish-languages.org/jewish-english-lexicon/>, founded 2012.
- Jewish Latin American Lexicon: <http://www.jewish-languages.org/lexico-judio-latinoamericano/>, founded 2013, with Evelyn Dean-Olmsted.
- Jewish Swedish Lexicon: <http://www.jewish-languages.org/lexikon-over-judisk-svenska/>, founded 2015, with Joshua Lebenswerd.
- Jewish French Lexicon: <http://www.jewish-languages.org/glossaire-du-francais-juif/>, founded 2016, with Cyril Aslanov.
- I Waited 96 Years: <http://www.iwaited96years.com/>, founded 2016, with Tom Fields-Meyer, Shawn Fields-Meyer, and Roberta Benor.

ANTHOLOGIZED AND TRANSLATED WORK

- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2014 (2010). "Ethnolinguistic Repertoire: Shifting the Analytic Focus in Language and Ethnicity." In *Language Variation and Change: Critical Concepts in Linguistics*. Robert Bayley and Richard Cameron, eds. Routledge, 2014. Volume IV: Internal and External Constraints, Part 5: Ethnicity, #59. Originally in *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 14/2: 159-183.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2013. "Jüdische Sprachen: Tradition der Diktion." *Aufbau: Das Jüdische Monatsmagazin*. Zurich.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin and Roger Levy. 2006. "The Chicken or the Egg? A Probabilistic Analysis of English Binomials." *Language* 82/2. 233-278. Chinese translation in *Linguistic Research* (spread over 2 volumes), 2010.

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 11/17 "Degrees of Ethnolinguistic Infusion: Variation in Hebrew Loanword Use at American Jewish Summer Camps." *New Ways of Analyzing Variation* 46, Madison.
- 12/16 "The Pfeffermans' Yiddishisms: A Sociolinguistic Analysis of Transparent." *Association for Jewish Studies* 48, San Diego.
- 12/16 "American Jews' Personal Names: Research Findings, Desiderata, and Methods." *AJS* 48, San Diego.
- 6/16 "'Shirah and Rikud after Aruchat Erev': Hebrew and Jewish English in Contact at American Jewish Summer Camps." *International Conference of the Center for Jewish Languages and Literatures* 6, Jerusalem.
- 6/16 "Language Variation in American Jewish Summer Camps." *Sociolinguistic Symposium* 21, Murcia, Spain.
- 12/15 "Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps: The Role of Israel and Israelis." *Roundtable. AJS* 47, Boston.
- 6/15 "'Ruach in the chadar' or 'Ivrit bamachaneh': Competing Ideologies of Hebrew Pedagogy at American Jewish Summer Camps." *Network for Research on Jewish Education*, New York.
- 3/15 "Postvernacular Ladino at Sephardic Adventure Camp." *UCLadino Symposium* 4, UCLA.
- 12/14 "Frum Unity, Frum Diversity: The Orthodox Continuum in Popular Culture." *AJS* 46, Baltimore.

- 10/14 "Postvernacular Ladino at Sephardic Adventure Camp." 5th Annual Workshop on Immigrant Languages in the Americas, UCLA.
- 12/13 "Jewish Giving Circles in Comparative Perspective." AJS 45, Boston.
- 10/13 "From *Sabbath* to *Shabbat*: An Increase in Hebrew Loanwords among Reform Jews, 1885-2013." *New Ways of Analyzing Variation* 42, Pittsburgh.
- 1/13 "When Harry and Sally Became Chaim-Dov and Sara-Bracha: Personal Names Among Orthodox Jews in America, 1940-2011." American Name Society, Boston.
- 12/12 "Cultural Change Among American Jews: Language." AJS 44, Chicago.
- 10/11 "How Synagogues Became *Shuls*: The Changing Role of Yiddish in the Linguistic Repertoire of American Jews." *NWAV* 40, Washington.
- 12/10 Response to Steven Cohen's Marshall Sklare lecture, AJS 42, Boston.
- 1/10 "Ethnolinguistic Repertoire: Avoiding Contradiction in Research on Language and Ethnicity." American Dialect Society, Baltimore.
- 12/09 "Jewish leaders in Los Angeles," in roundtable: "Young Adults, Leadership, and 21st-Century American Jewish Cultural Change." AJS 41, Los Angeles.
- 12/08 "21st-Century United States," in roundtable: "Linguistic Distinctiveness in Modern Jewish Communities"; respondent to panel: "Hebrew, English, and Contemporary Jewish/Israeli Identity in America." AJS 40, Washington, D.C.
- 11/08 "Adult Language Socialization: Learning Strategies Among Newly Orthodox Jews" in panel: "Emerging Adulthood, Emerging Identities: The Language Socialization of Young Adults." American Anthropological Association 107, San Francisco.
- 11/08 "Reconceptualizing 'Ethnolect' as 'Ethnolinguistic repertoire.'" *NWAV* 37, Houston.
- 1/07 "Orthodox Jewish American English." American Dialect Society, Anaheim.
- 12/06 "Frumster.com and the Modern to Ultra-Orthodox Continuum." AJS 38, San Diego.
- 11/06 "Adult Style Acquisition: Learning Strategies Among Newly Orthodox Jews." *NWAV* 35, Columbus.
- 12/05 "Defining the Scope of Jewish Linguistic Studies." AJS 37, Washington, D.C.
- 10/04 "Second Style Acquisition." *NWAV* 33, Ann Arbor.
- 1/04 "Salience and Ideology in Adults' Acquisition of Second Dialects." Linguistic Society of America 78, Boston.
- 12/03 "Non-Orthodox Jews Studying Orthodox Communities: Self-Representation and Access." AJS 35, Boston.
- 11/03 "Constructing Orthodox Identity through Symbolic Practices." American Anthropological Association 102, Chicago.
- 10/03 "Yeshivish, the Language of Talmud Study: Newly Orthodox Jewish Men's Use of Yiddish-Influenced English." *NWAV* 32, Philadelphia.
- 5/02 "Orthodox Jewish English as a Jewish Language." Israel Association for the Study of Language and Society 1, Tel Aviv.
- 1/02 "The Chicken or the Egg? A Probabilistic OT Analysis of English Binomials." Poster, LSA 76, San Francisco.
- 12/01 "*Talmid Chachams* and *Tsedeykeses*: Language, Learnedness, and Masculinity among Orthodox Jews." AJS 33, Washington, D.C.
- 12/00 Respondent to panel: "Lashon Kodesh: The Hebrew and Aramaic Component of Jewish Languages." AJS 32, Boston.

- 10/00 "The Importance of Aspiration: Phonological Variation in Orthodox Jewish English." NWAV 29, East Lansing, Michigan.
- 6/00 "Jew and 'Other' in Judezmo: How Ottoman Sephardic Jews Distinguish Non-Jews." Misgav Yerushalayim 6, Jerusalem.
- 12/99 "Language Ideologies in a California Chabad Community." AJS 31, Chicago.
- 10/99 "The Gendered Use of Hebrew and Yiddish Loan Words and the Creation of an Orthodox Jewish Identity." NWAV 28, Toronto.
- 2/99 "Loan Words in the English of Modern Orthodox Jews: Hebrew or Yiddish?" Berkeley Linguistic Society 25, Berkeley, California.

MANUSCRIPTS, WORKS IN PROGRESS

Ethnolinguistic Infusion: Heritage Language Socialization Without Proficiency (to be submitted to *Heritage Language Journal* or *Language in Society*)

When Harry and Sally Became Chaim-Dov and Sara-Bracha: Personal Names Among Orthodox Jews in America, 1940-2011 (to be submitted to *Onoma* or *Names*)

Frumster.com and the Modern to Ultra-Orthodox Continuum

On the Origin of *Daven* and Other Hebrew-Derived Verbs in Yiddish

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Hebrew Union College (graduate students):

- 2017- *Applied Jewish Wisdom*
- 2010- *Jewish Social Research: Trends and Analysis*
- 2009- *Introduction to Yiddish Language and Culture*
- 2007- *American Jewish Language and Identity*
- 2005- *Research Methods in American Jewish Life*
- 2007- *History of Jewish Languages*
- 2007- *Introduction to Yiddish*
- 2005-09 *Contemporary American Jewish Issues*
- 2004 *The Jewish Family in America*

University of Southern California (undergraduate students):

- 2013- *Language, Race, and Identity in the United States Today*
- 2012- *Identity, Community, Service: Jews and Other Americans (service learning)*
- 2010- *The Jew in American Society*
- 2005-13 *Language and Identity Among 'Hyphenated' Americans*
- 2005 *Introduction to Judaism*

Stanford University, Teaching Assistant:

- 2001 *Introduction to Linguistics* with Professor Will Leben
- 2000 *Language and Society* with Professor John Rickford
- 2000 *African American Vernacular English* with Professor John Rickford

San Francisco State University, Visiting Lecturer:

- 1999 *Introduction to Yiddish*

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND OTHER HONORS

- 2015-17 Consortium for Applied Studies in Jewish Education (CASJE), Research on Hebrew

- 2014-15 at American Jewish Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner and Sharon Avni
Mandel Center for Jewish Education at Brandeis University, Research on Hebrew
- 2014-15 at American Jewish Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner and Sharon Avni
Wexner Alumni Collaboration Grant, Research on Hebrew at American Jewish
Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner
- 2015 Dorot Foundation funding for expansion of Jewish Language Research Website
- 2013 Sami Rohr Choice Award for Jewish Literature for book, *Becoming Frum*
- 2011 American Academy for Jewish Research Special Initiatives Fund grant for
expansion of Jewish Language Research Website
- 2011 Dorot Foundation grant for expansion of Jewish Language Research Website
- 2011 Hartman Institute North American Scholars Circle
- 2010-11 Repair the World Jewish Studies Service Learning Initiative
- 2007 AAJR and Frankel Center Workshop for Early-Career Faculty in Jewish Studies,
University of Michigan
- 2003-2004 National Foundation for Jewish Culture Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship
- 2003-2004 Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Doctoral Scholarship
- 2003 AJS Student Travel Grant: Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry
- 2002-2003 Goodan Family Fellowship, Stanford University
- 2001 American Academy for Jewish Research Graduate Student Seminar
- 1998-2002 Wexner Graduate Fellowship
- 1998 Awarded Javits Graduate Fellowship (declined)
- 1997-1998 Dorot Fellowship in Israel
- 1993-1995 John Jay Scholarship, Columbia University

INVITED ACADEMIC CONFERENCE / COLLOQUIUM PRESENTATIONS

- 12/17 The Ohio State University, Jewish Studies.
- 3/17 Participant, American Jewish Studies Working Group, Lehigh University.
- 3/17 "Competing Ideologies of Hebrew Use at American Jewish Summer Camps" and
"Language Socialization at Jewish Summer Camps and among Newly Orthodox Jews:
Similarities and Differences." Fordham University.
- 12/16 "Ethnolinguistic Infusion: The Conscious Incorporation of Elements of an Ancestral
Language." Successor Lects, or Can Languages Have an "Afterlife"? Symposium, Aston
University, Birmingham, UK.
- 10/16 "Hebrew Infusion at American Jewish Summer Camps." Indiana University Bloomington,
Jewish Studies, Faculty Graduate Workshop.
- 5/16 "Hebrew Infusion at American Jewish Summer Camps." Hebrew and the Humanities:
Present Tense. Symposium at the University of Washington, Seattle.
- 4/16 "Jewish American English." Eastern Michigan University.
- 4/16 Panelist at "Wrestling with Jewish Peoplehood," Temple University symposium (National
Museum of American Jewish History, etc.), Philadelphia.
- 9/15 "Ethnolinguistic Ties, Interspersed Fragments: Hebrew at American Jewish Summer
Camps." Colloquium, New York University, Linguistics Department.
- 3/15 "Mensch, Bentsh, and Balagan: American Jewish Language and Identity," University of
California, Berkeley.

- 2/15 "Becoming Frum." Emory University, Tenenbaum Family Lecture in Judaic Studies.
- 4/14 "Becoming Frum." UCLA, Jewish Studies.
- 3/14 "Becoming Frum." Lehigh University, Pennsylvania, Jewish Studies.
- 10/13 "Becoming Frum." University of Kentucky, Jewish Studies.
- 10/13 "Languages, Dialects, or Repertoires? Approaches to Ethnic Language with a Focus on Jewish English." University of Kentucky, Linguistics.
- 10/13 "Do American Jews Speak a Jewish Language?" University of Pittsburgh, Jewish Studies.
- 10/13 "Becoming Frum." Yeshiva University.
- 10/13 "FrumSpeak: How Orthodox Jews Speak English in America Today." Queens College, Linguistics.
- 6/13 Keynote speaker, "Distinctive Jewish Repertoires: A Research Agenda for Comparative Jewish Linguistic Analysis." Variation Within and Across Jewish Languages conference, University of Antwerp Institute for Jewish Studies
- 5/13 "Languages, dialects, or repertoires? Approaches to ethnic language with a focus on Jewish English." University of Minnesota, Jewish Studies colloquium.
- 1/13 "Frum Unity, Frum Diversity: The Orthodox Continuum in Popular Culture." Symposium on Orthodoxy and Theology in the 21st Century, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies.
- 10/12 "Becoming Frum." University of California San Diego, Jewish studies colloquium.
- 4/12 "Becoming Frum." Columbia University, Jewish studies colloquium.
- 2/12 "Guardians, Rebooters, and JConnecters: Young Jewish Leaders and Social Class in Los Angeles Today." Looking for Judaism in [Un]conventional Places, UCLA.
- 9/10 University of Colorado, Boulder, Jewish studies colloquia.
- 3/10 University of South Carolina, linguistics and Jewish studies colloquia.
- 5/09 Participant, "Jewish Studies in the University, Community, and Global Society," UC Irvine (with Daniel Boyarin, Susannah Heschel, David Myers, and Kenneth Reinhard).
- 11/08 Respondent, "Distinctiveness in Sephardi/Mizrachi Jewish Languages: Panel Discussion." Integrating Sephardi and Mizrachi Studies: Research and Practice, Los Angeles.
- 10/08 Reconceptualizing "Ethnolect" as "Ethnolinguistic repertoire." UCSB Linguistics.
- 12/07 "A Research Agenda for Comparative Jewish Linguistics." Jewish Languages and Identity in a Globalized World, University of Maryland.
- 11/07 "Hyperaccommodation, Avoidance, and the 'Bungee Effect': Language Socialization Among Newly Orthodox Jews." CLIC, UCLA.
- 2/07 "Jewish American English." Transcending Boundaries: Jewish Languages, Identities, and Cultures, Georgetown University.
- 6/06 "Multiple Sources of Hebrew Loanwords in Contemporary American Jewish English." Jewish Languages and Hebrew, Hebrew University, Jerusalem (in Hebrew).
- 4/06 "*Torah* vs. *Toyrah*: The Linguistic Construction of Orthodox Identity." Jewish Studies Colloquium, University of California, Los Angeles.
- 3/06 "*Lashon Kodesh / Lashon Chol*: Jews, Language, and Identity." California State University, Long Beach.
- 4/04 "The Linguistic Socialization of Newly Orthodox Jews." Emory University, colloquium in Jewish Studies and Linguistics.
- 5/02 "Language and Other Symbols of Conversion: Newly Orthodox Jews." Stanford

Humanities Center Workshop – Conversion: Comparison and Genre.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Leadership activities:

- 2012- Founding Co-Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Jewish Languages*
- 2011- Founder, Producer, and Editor, [Jewish English Lexicon](#): wiki-style dictionary of Hebrew, Yiddish, and other distinctive words in Jewish English
- 2000- Founder, Producer, and Editor, [Jewish Language Research Website](#): resource for scholars and public with commissioned descriptions of 15 languages, sound and text samples, lists of researchers and translators, and international resources
- 2000- Moderator, [Jewish Languages Mailing List](#): 360+ subscribers, including queries, calls for papers, discussion forums on recent publications
- 2016- Vice President, Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry
- 2017- Editorial Board, *American Jewish History*
- 2008- Editorial Board, *Contemporary Jewry*
- 2013-16 Association for Jewish Studies, program committee
- 2009-15 Editorial Board, *AJS Perspectives*
- 1996-7 Founder, Editor: *Iggrot ha'Ari: Columbia University Student Journal of Jewish Scholarship*

Manuscript review:

- 2006- Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, University Press of New England, SUNY Press, Routledge Press, *Journal of Sociolinguistics*, *Jewish Quarterly Review*, *Language Variation and Change*, *Language and Linguistics Compass*, *Language in Society*, *American Anthropologist*, *Discourse and Society*, *Contemporary Jewry*, *Center for Language, Interaction, and Culture Journal*, *Heritage Language Journal*, *Western Folklore*, *Journal of Jewish Identities*, *Journal of Jewish Languages*, *Journal of Jewish Communal Service*, *Contributions to the History of Concepts*, *International Journal of the Sociology of Language*, *American Speech*, NWAU conferences, National Science Foundation, Israel Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

Tenure review:

- 2015- Various institutions in the US and Canada.

HUC-JIR service:

- 2015- Steering committee, advisory board, Casden Institute for the Study of the Jewish Role in American Life, USC
- 2013- Chair, Curriculum Committee, Los Angeles campus
- 2011- Nemer lecture selection committee, USC
- 2010-15 Coordinator of Research Seminar, Los Angeles campus
- 2014-15 Search committee, Director, School of Jewish Nonprofit Management
- 2013-14 Interim director, HUC-JIR Jerome H. Louchheim School for Judaic Studies, University of Southern California. Created website (<http://dornsife.usc.edu/jewishstudies>) and newsletters, convened Jewish Studies Collaboration, coordinated and publicized programs with various USC partners, coordinated courses, faculty, teaching assistants, budget, etc.

- 2013-14 Executive Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (ECASA)
- 2013-14 Committee considering policy on admitting rabbinic students married to non-Jews
- 2012-13 Faculty Retreat Committee, Los Angeles campus
- 2010-13 Committee for Middle States Commission on Higher Education re-accreditation process: Chair of Working Group A
- 2008-10 Assisted in Western Association of Schools and Colleges re-accreditation process
- 2004- School of Jewish Communal Service / School of Jewish Nonprofit Management: Advising masters theses, revamping curriculum, coordinating masters thesis program
- 2004- Various committees and task forces, including Sephardic studies, artist-in-residence, elective and independent study evaluation, faculty retreat, student tenure, thought leadership, student prizes, etc.

Conference coordinating committees:

- 2013-16 Association for Jewish Studies, program committee
- 11/08 Sephardic Studies Conference, Los Angeles
- 1/06 "At Home in Academia?" Symposium, American Jewish Historical Society and HUC-JIR
- 10/03 New Ways of Analyzing Variation 32, University of Pennsylvania
- 5/00 International Gender and Language Association 1, Stanford University

Conference panels coordinated:

- 12/16 AJS 48, San Diego, "American Jews' Personal Names: Research Findings, Desiderata, and Methods."
- 12/15 AJS 47, Boston, "Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps: The Role of Israel and Israelis."
- 12/13 AJS 45, Boston, "Jewish Languages: State of an Emerging Field and Roundtable Discussing the New Journal."
- 12/12 AJS 44, Chicago, "Cultural Change Among American Jews."
- 12/11 Association for Jewish Studies 43, Washington, "Contemporary Hasidic Yiddish: Linguistic Analysis of a Dynamic Language."
- 10/11 NWAV 40, Washington, "Substrate Effects: Linguistic Resources for Indicating Ethnic Orientation."
- 12/09 AJS 41, Los Angeles, "Young Adults, Leadership, and 21st-Century American Jewish Cultural Change."
- 12/08 AJS 40, Washington, DC: "Hebrew, English, and Contemporary Jewish/Israeli Identity in America"; "Linguistic Distinctiveness in Modern Jewish Communities"
- 12/03 AJS 35, Boston: "Intra-Jewish Linguistic Variation" and "Ethnography of Orthodox Communities: Practical, Ethical & Theoretical Issues"
- 12/01 AJS 33, Washington, D.C.: "Jewish Language and Identity"
- 12/00 AJS 32, Boston: "*Lashon Kodesh*: The Hebrew and Aramaic Component of Jewish Languages"
- 12/99 AJS 31, Chicago: "Jewish Language Genesis"
- 1/99 Wexner Institute: "Jewish Studies: Discipline or Interdisciplinary Field?"

Team research projects:

- 2013- Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner and Sharon Avni: Ethnographic research at camps around North America
- 2012-14 National Study of American Jewish Giving, led by Jewish Jumpstart, with Evelyn Dean-

Olmsted and Ayala Fader: Ethnographic research on Jewish, Asian American, and other giving circles.

2008-10 Avi Chai Foundation research project, led by Jack Wertheimer: "Young Jewish Leaders," with Steven M. Cohen, Sylvia Barack Fishman, Shaul Kelner, Ari Y. Kelman: Ethnographic research on Jews in their 20s and 30s who lead Jewish organizations in Los Angeles.

Ph.D. advising: Dissertation committees:

- 2019? Isaac Bleaman, New York University Linguistics, Yiddish in New York.
- 2019? Patric Joshua Klagsbrun Lebenswerd, University of Stockholm Linguistics, Jewish Swedish.
- 2019? Chaim Weiser, University of the Free State Linguistics, South Africa. Language contact among Orthodox Jews.
- 2019? Esther Jahns, Universität Potsdam Linguistics, German used by Jews in Germany.
- 2018? Vicki Cabot, Arizona State University Religious Studies, "Home, Hearth, and Heart: A Study of Identity Construction of *Ba'al Teshuvah* Women."
- 2012 Netta Avineri, UCLA Applied Linguistics, "Heritage Language Socialization within Secular Yiddish Educational Contexts: The Creation of a Metalinguistic Community."
- 2011 Evelyn Dean-Olmsted, Indiana University Anthropology, "Speaking *Shami*: Syrian Jewish Mexican Language Practices as Strategies of Integration and Legitimation."
- 2011 Rebecca Rubin-Damari, Georgetown University Linguistics, "Stancetaking as Identity Work: The Case of Mixed American/Israeli Couples."

Other service:

- 2017- Faculty, Mandel Institute for Nonprofit Leadership, Executive Leadership Program
- 2017- Selection Committee, Mandel Institute for Nonprofit Leadership
- 2016- Mentor, AJS mentorship program
- 2016 Selection Committee, Berman Early Career Fellowship
- 2014 Selection Committee, Editor of *Contemporary Jewry*
- 2014 Selection Committee, ASSJ Graduate Student Travel Grant
- 2014-15 Selection Committee, Cashmere Subvention Grant in Jewish Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies
- 2013 Advisory Panel, Pew Research Center Survey of U.S. Jews
- 2004- Consulting to journalists, writers, and filmmakers about Jewish language and culture
- 2012-13 Consulting to Los Angeles Jewish Federation about contemporary Jewish trends
- 2011-13 Academic Oversight Committee, Jewish Survey Question Bank
- 2011 Pro bono consulting and testimony as expert witness in a defamation trial about language

ARTICLES FOR NON-ACADEMIC AUDIENCES

Benor, Sarah Bunin and Tom Fields-Meyer. 2017. "Life Has Improved for Women, Ninety-Somethings Remind Us." *Grok Nation* (Mayim Bialik's blog).

<http://groknation.com/women/life-improved-women-ninety-somethings-remind-us/>.

Fields-Meyer, Tom, and Sarah Bunin Benor. 2017. "These Women Who Have Seen It All Just Might Have the Best Advice for Surviving Trump." *Huffington Post*.

<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/592d8adfe4b07d848fdc0685>.

- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2017. "'We The Resilient' Offers Glimpse At Unseen Women's History." *Forward*. <http://forward.com/sisterhood/371296/we-the-resilient-offers-glimpse-at-unseen-womens-history/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Hebrew Infusion in My American Life Connects Me to Jews Around the World." *University of Washington Stroum Center Blog*. <http://jewishstudies.washington.edu/global-judaism/sarah-benor-hebrew-infusion/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Mikvah Imagery in 'Transparent': A Symbol of Transitions and Femininity." *Lilith*. <http://lilith.org/blog/2016/02/have-you-noticed-these-images-in-transparent/>.
- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2016. "Ted Cruz's Linguistic Chutzpah." *The Conversation*, February 12, 2016. <https://theconversation.com/ted-cruzs-linguistic-chutzpah-54621>. Picked up by *Houston Chronicle* (<http://www.houstonchronicle.com/local/gray-matters/article/Ted-Cruz-s-linguistic-chutzpah-6831661.php?t=4458e24f45438d9cbb&cmpid=twitter-premium>).
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- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2015. "Delicious Linguistics: Review of Dan Jurafsky's *The Language of Food*." *Jewish Journal*, 2/5/15. <http://www.jewishjournal.com/food/article/delicious-linguistics-the-language-of-food>.
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- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2012. "Of *Midos* and *Mensches*: Language and the Diverse American Jewish Community." *HUC Chronicle*, Fall 2012. p. 13. <http://huc.edu/chronicle/74/flipbook/>.
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- Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2011. "Fostering International Jewish Connections Through Travel." *eJewishPhilanthropy*, September 2011. <http://ejewishphilanthropy.com/fostering-international-jewish-connections-through-travel/>.
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- Several others, including in *JSpot*, *The Washington Jewish Week*, *Columbia Spectator*, *Columbia Hillel Perspectives*, *The Fallser* (Philadelphia neighborhood monthly).

INVITED PRESENTATIONS FOR NON-ACADEMIC AUDIENCES

- 11/17 Scholar-in-residence, Temple Akiba, Culver City, California.
- 1/17 Midwest Association of Reform Rabbis, Scottsdale, Arizona.
- 12/16 "Chutzpah to Chidush." Valley Beit Midrash, Phoenix, Arizona.
- 11/16 Scholar-in-Residence, Judea Reform Congregation, Durham, North Carolina.
- 11/16 "Hebrew in Jewish Supplementary Schools." Temple Beth Am Religious School professional development day, Los Angeles.
- 11/16 3-session class with Rabbi Yoshi Zweiback, Stephen S. Wise Temple, Los Angeles.
- 7/16 Webinar on Hebrew education, Association of Reform Jewish Educators.
- 7/16 2 talks at the Chautauqua Institution Everett Jewish Life Center.
- 6/16 "Beyond Bagels and Burekas." Builders of Jewish Education (BJE), Los Angeles.
- 3/16 Talks about Hebrew at Jewish camp, Foundation for Jewish Camp Leaders Assembly.
- 2/16 Talks about Jill Soloway's series "Transparent," IKAR Shabbaton, Wexner Southern California gathering
- 12/15 4 talks at Limmud, UK.
- 11/15 "Hebrew at Reform Jewish Summer Camps." Union for Reform Judaism Biennial Conference, Orlando.
- 7/15 "Jewish Language." Camp Be'chol Lashon, California.
- 11/14 "Nakhes, Bentsh, and Pasken: Echoes of Yiddish in Contemporary American English." International Association of Yiddish Clubs conference, Boca Raton.
- 13-14 Several panels, interviews, and conference calls about the 2013 Pew study of American Jews: Wexner, BJE, HUC, CCAR, URJ, synagogues, WBAI, etc.
- 9/14 "Jews in the Pews and Beyond: What Recent Research Tells Us about American Jewish Identity and Community." Temple Beth El, San Pedro, CA.

- 5/14 "Chutzpah to Chidush: A Century of Yiddish Influence on American English." Community of Elders, Leo Baeck Temple, Los Angeles.
- 5/14 "Jews in the Pews and Beyond: What Recent Research Tells Us about American Jewish Identity and Community." Temple B'nai Abraham, Livingston, New Jersey.
- 2/14 Temple Beth El, Berkeley, CA: Scholar-in-residence.
- 10/13 YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, panel: "Creating Identity: Yiddish Across a Spectrum of Jewish Communities Today." Naomi Praver Kadar Memorial Lecture, with Isabelle Barriere, Ross Perlin, and Paul Glasser.
- 6/13 "Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." African and Middle Eastern Reading Room of the Library of Congress, Washington, DC.
- 5/13 "Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." Beth Jacob Congregation, Minneapolis.
- 3/13 "jPod: Trends in American Jewish Identity and Community." CCAR Convention, Long Beach.
- 2/13 "Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." Princeton University Hillel and Jewish Studies.
- 2/13 "Yiddish, Ladino, and Jewish English: Do American Jews Speak a Jewish Language?" JDOV series: Dreams, Observations, Visions. Video: <http://www.jhub.org.uk/jdov/portfolio/yiddish-ladino-and-jewish-english-do-american-jews-speak-a-jewish-language/>
- 2/13 Talks at Limmud New York, East Brunswick, NJ.
- 1/13 "Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." Temple Israel of Natick.
- 12/12 "*Chutzpah to Chidush: A Century of Yiddish Influences on American English.*" Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center, Houston.
- 12/12 "Do American Jews Speak a Jewish Language?" Stephen S. Wise Temple, Los Angeles.
- 12/12 "Toyrah and Tikkun Olam: The Language of Orthodox and Reform Jews in America Today." Temple Bat Yahm, Newport Beach.
- 11/12 "Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." Temple Beth Am, Los Angeles.
- 10/12 Respondent to Jane Eisner, Nemer Lecture, University of Southern California
- 4/12 "Jewish Languages Around the World," Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles.
- 12/11 "jPod: Jewish Identity in the 21st Century," Entertainment Industry Leadership Institute, Jewish Federation of Los Angeles.
- 12/11 "jPod: Jewish Identity in the 21st Century," Temple Sinai, Glendale, CA.
- 11/11 "jPod: Jewish Identity in the 21st Century," New Leaders Forum, Jewish Federation of Greater Long Beach.
- 4/11 "*Mensch, Bentsh, and Balagan: Language as a Marker of Jewish Engagement.*" Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center, Pasadena, CA.
- 1/11 "*Mensch, Bentsh, and Balagan: Language as a Marker of Jewish Engagement.*" University Synagogue, Los Angeles, CA.
- 1/11 "*Mensch, Bentsh, and Balagan: Language as a Marker of Jewish Engagement.*" Pacific Association of Reform Rabbis Annual Conference, Palm Springs, CA.

- 10/10 *"Chutzpah to Chidush: A Century of Yiddish Influences on American English."* Rosenberg Cultural Center, Redondo Beach, CA.
- 4/10 *"Interrogating Jewish Peoplehood: Concepts, Challenges, and Policies,"* Berman Jewish Policy Archive, New York University.
- 2/10 *"Hebrew in American Jewish Life,"* Teacher In-Service Day, Pressman Academy, Los Angeles.
- 1/10 *"jPod: Jewish Identity in the 21st Century,"* New Leaders Forum, Jewish Federation of Greater Long Beach.
- 10/09 Presentation about Yiddish, Yiddishayt LA Fellowship.
- 10/09 Presentation about Jewish languages, LA Bureau of Jewish Education.
- 2/09 Scholar in Residence, Temple Mount Sinai, El Paso, TX.
- 12/08 4 sessions, Limmud, London.
- 4/08 Scholar in Residence, Temple Emanu-El, San Francisco, CA.
- 3/08 *"Do American Jews Speak a Jewish Language?"* Temple Israel of Hollywood, CA.
- 5/07 Response to Steven Cohen's *"Tale of Two Jewries,"* B'nai David-Judea, Los Angeles.
- 3/07 Scholar in Residence, Congregation B'nai Tzedek, Fountain Valley, CA.
- 2/07 Scholar, Union for Reform Judaism, Pacific Southwest Council Biennial Conference, Costa Mesa, CA.
- 1/07 Dinner with a Scholar, Orange County Bureau of Jewish Education fundraising event
- 12/06 *"Jewish Languages."* Temple Beth El, San Pedro, CA.
- 9/06 *"Chutzpah to Chidush."* Temple Israel, Stockton, CA.
- 2/06 *"Chutzpah to Chidush."* Temple Adat Shalom, Poway, CA.
- 12/05 *"Chutzpah to Chidush."* CCAR-HUC Joint Commission for Sustaining Rabbinic Education, Distance Education Mini-Course, part of Yiddish culture series.
- 8/05 *"Lashon Kodesh / Lashon Chol: Jewish Language and Identity."* Wexner Summer Institute keynote presentation, Stowe, VT.
- 4/05 *"How Yiddish Has Influenced English."* Temple Beth Ohr, La Mirada, CA.
- 2/05 *"Chutzpah to Chidush."* Red Yiddish Salon, Los Angeles.
- 1/05 *"Jewish Languages Around the World."* Pacific Association of Reform Rabbis Annual Conference, Palm Springs, CA.
- 9/04 *"Chutzpah to Chidush."* Temple Beth El, San Pedro, CA.
- 3/03 *"Chutzpah to Chidush."* Yiddish Culture Festival of Greater Washington.
- 4/00 *"Hemshekh fun dor tsu dor: Bringing Yiddish to Young People."* Yiddish Culture Festival of Greater Washington (in Yiddish and English).
- 3/00,01 *"Eastern European Jewish History: Language Ideologies."* Lehrhaus Judaica, Bay Area.
- 8/96 *"The Future of Yiddish"* (panel discussion chair). Charlotte Yiddish Institute.

ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK

- Summer 2001 Columbia-YIVO Institute: Summer Program in Yiddish Studies, advanced class
- Summer 2001 Drisha Institute for Jewish Education: Part-Time Summer Studies
- Summer 1999 Linguistic Society of America: Linguistic Institute, University of Illinois
- 1997-98 Hebrew University of Jerusalem: Rothberg School for Overseas Students Summer Intensive Hebrew Ulpan, Part-Time Graduate Studies
- Fall 1997 Elul Institute, Jerusalem: Beit Midrash Program

Summer 1995 Oxford Yiddish Institute, England: Summer Programme, Level 3

NON-ACADEMIC SERVICE AND EMPLOYMENT

- 2013- Board Member, Pressman Academy (Temple Beth Am Education Cabinet), Committee on Trustees, Strategic Planning Committee, Middle School Committee Chair
- 2014-5 Founder, Coordinator, Minyan Tzedakah, IKAR's giving circle
- 2010 Alumni Interviewer, Dorot Fellowship in Israel, Los Angeles
- 2009 Selection Committee, Wexner Heritage Foundation, Los Angeles
- 2001-2 Stern Hebrew High School, Philadelphia: Yiddish Teacher
- 1999 Chabad Center, Palo Alto: Yiddish Teacher
- 1998 National Yiddish Book Center: Docent, Yiddish Education Consultant
- 1997-8 Beth Hatefutsoth Museum of the Diaspora, Tel Aviv: Exhibition Consultant
- 1997-8 National Sound Archives, Jerusalem: Fieldwork, Research, Yiddish transcription
- 1996-7 Chaika Klebansky Little Mitlshul (children), New York: Yiddish Teacher
- 1996 Beacon Center, Harlem: English as a Second Language Teacher
- 1996 The Jewish Museum, New York: Curatorial Intern
- 1994 National Yiddish Book Center, Amherst, Massachusetts: Summer Intern
- 1994-7 Founder, Manager, Violin: Uptown Klezmer Band (CD: *Ashnelelando*)
- 1994-6 Founder, President: Columbia Yiddish Club (Yiddish Cabarets, Model Weddings)
- Ongoing: Sporadic volunteer activities for IKAR, Progressive Jewish Alliance, Shtibl Minyan, Dorshei Derekh Reconstructionist Minyan, Hallmark Assisted Living, Sunrise Senior Living...

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Association for Jewish Studies (since 1999)
- Linguistic Society of America (since 2001)
- Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry (since 2003)
- American Dialect Society (since 2006)
- Network for Research on Jewish Education (since 2014)

LANGUAGES

- English: native
- Yiddish, Modern Hebrew: proficient
- Biblical Hebrew, French, Spanish, Ladino (Judezmo/Judeo-Spanish): working knowledge