CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017-present **Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion**
Professor of Contemporary Jewish Studies and Linguistics

2020-present **Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion**
Founding Director, Jewish Language Project

2021-2024 **Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion**
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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

2017-present **University of Southern California**
Adjunct Professor (courtesy), Department of Linguistics

2014-2023 **Brandeis University**
Affiliated Scholar, Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Jewish Education

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, Jewish English, American Jewish identity and culture, Jewish names, sociolinguistic variation, language and identity, language and ethnicity, language contact, ethnography, onomastics, Orthodox Jews, Jewish organizations, Jewish summer camps, Hebrew education, Jewish education

AUTHORED ACADEMIC BOOKS

Benor, Sarah Bunin, Jonathan Krasner, and Sharon Avni. 2020. *Hebrew Infusion: Language and Community at American Jewish Summer Camps*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.
Winner of National Jewish Book Award in Education and Jewish Identity.

Reviewed in many venues, including *Language in Society*, *Journal of Jewish Education*, *Contemporary Jewry*, *Times of Israel*, *Tablet*, *Jewschool*, *Mosaic*.

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2012. *Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.
Winner of the Sami Rohr Choice Award for Jewish Literature.
Reviewed 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*.

AUTHORED BOOKS IN PROGRESS

Mazel Tov, It's a Dog! Pet Names and American Jewish Identities
Heirlooms: A Race Against Time to Save Jewish Languages (general audience)

BOOKS, JOURNALS, AND JOURNAL ISSUES EDITED

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Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2020. Review of *Synoptic Dictionary of the Hebrew Component in Jewish Languages, 2nd Edition*, Aharon Maman, Magnes Press, 2019. *Journal of Jewish Languages* 8/1-2. 289-294.

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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.

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Jewish Language Project and ANU: Museum of the Jewish People. 2025. "Jewish Languages: A Cultural Dialogue," curated by Sarah Bunin Benor and Janine Okmin. https://www.jewishlanguages.org/samples.
Jewish Language Website: https://www.jewishlanguages.org/, founded 2000.
Jewish English Lexicon: https://jel.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2012.
Jewish Names Website: https://www.jewish-names.org/, founded 2021.
Jewish Latin American Lexicon: https://ljl.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2013, with Evelyn Dean-Olmsted and Anayeli Hernandez Cruz.
Jewish Swedish Lexicon: https://lojs.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2015, with Joshua Lebenswerd.
Jewish French Lexicon: https://gdfj.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2016, with Cyril Aslanov.
Jewish Russian Lexicon: https://jrl.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2017, with Adrien Smith.
Jewish Brazilian Portuguese Lexicon: https://ljb.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2022, with Karin Zingerevitz.
Jewish German Lexicon: https://jdw.jewish-languages.org/, founded 2022, with Esther Jahns.
I Waited 96 Years: http://www.iwaited96years.com/, founded 2016, with Tom Fields-Meyer, Shawn Fields-Meyer, and Roberta Benor.

PODCASTS PRODUCED AND HOSTED

Heritage Words, https://huc.edu/heritage-words-podcast, started 2024.
Peer Review: Creativity and Fulfillment in Academia, with Mira Sucharov, https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/peer-review-creativity-and-fulfillment-in-academia/id1855559006, started 2025.

ANTHOLOGIZED AND TRANSLATED WORK

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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.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND OTHER HONORS

2024	Elected a fellow of the American Academy of Jewish Research
2025-26	HUC-JIR, Faculty Research Enhancement Grants, Call Hakavod; Peer Review Podcast
2024-25	HUC-JIR, Faculty Research Enhancement Grant, Jewish Heritage Words
2022-23	HUC-JIR, Faculty Research Enhancement Grant, A Millennium of Jewish Women's Voices
2021	National Jewish Book Award in Education and Jewish Identity for *Hebrew Infusion*
2020	AJS grant, workshop participation, Op-Ed Project: "Write to Change the World"
2019-20	Consortium for Applied Studies in Jewish Education (CASJE), Research on Hebrew Education in Part-Time Jewish Schools, with Netta Avineri and Nicki Greninger
2015-17	Consortium for Applied Studies in Jewish Education (CASJE), Research on Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner and Sharon Avni
2014-15	Mandel Center for Jewish Education at Brandeis University, Research on Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner and Sharon Avni
2014-15	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	American Academy for Jewish Research 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

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

12/26 Panelist, "What Difference has America Made in the Study of Jews and Judaism?" Association for Jewish Studies 58, Philadelphia.

12/26 Respondent, “Recent Linguistic Developments among Jews in English-Speaking Countries: Hebrew, Yiddish, and Jewish English,” Association for Jewish Studies 58, Philadelphia.

8/26 “Heritage Words: Contemporary American Jews' New Engagements with Ancestral Languages,” International Conference on Jewish Languages 9, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

12/25 Panelist, “‘Heritage words’ in contemporary Jewish language practices.” Association for Jewish Studies 57, Washington, DC.

12/25 Panelist, “Podcast Pedagogy: ‘Heritage Words’ & ‘The Nightingale of Iran’ – how integrating audio in college courses can enhance learning.” Association for Jewish Studies 57, Washington, DC.

6/25 Panelist, “Sephardi/Mizrahi Day School Students in New York and Los Angeles: Ideological Tensions, Cultural Integration, and Practical Applications.” Network for Research on Jewish Education, Berkeley.

6/25 Panelist, “Hebrew as Heritage Language: Identity and Language Learning.” Network for Research on Jewish Education, Berkeley.

4/25 “Ladino Heritage Words: Realistic Transmission of an Endangered Language.” UCLadino Conference 13, online.

2/25 “Shaina, Bamba, and Ruth Betta Finsberg: Trends in American Jews’ Naming of Pets.” American Name Society, online.

12/24 “Language Resources for Jewish Studies Classes.” Association for Jewish Studies 56, online.

12/24 “Putting Jewish Languages on the Map.” Association for Jewish Studies 56, online.

2/24 “Perceptual Onomastics: Survey Data on Americans’ Jewishness Ratings of Personal Names,” with Alicia B. Chandler. American Name Society, online.

12/23 “YidLife Crisis and Jewbellish: Yiddish Ethnolinguistic Infusion on YouTube.” Association for Jewish Studies 55, San Francisco.

3/23 “Jewbellish and YidLife Crisis: Contemporary Engagement with Yiddish.” YiLaS (Yiddish Language Structures) 3: Yiddish in the 21st Century, London.

12/22 “Distinctively Jewish? Personal Names of American Jews,” with Alicia B. Chandler. Association for Jewish Studies 54, Boston.

12/22 Roundtable: “Ethnographic Approaches to Classic Categories of Jewish Studies.” Association for Jewish Studies 54, Boston.

10/21 “American Jewish Personal Names: A National Survey,” with Alicia B. Chandler. International Conference on Jewish Names, online.

7/21 “A Research Agenda for the Comparative Study of Jewish Language Varieties: Hebrew Loanwords.” Conference on Jewish Languages, Haifa/online.

5/21 Roundtable: “Let’s Stop Calling it ‘Hebrew School’: Rationales, Goals, and Practices of Hebrew Education in Part-Time Jewish Schools.” Network for Research on Jewish Education, online.

3/21 “Hebrew Language in Part-time Jewish Schools: Ethnolinguistic Infusion leading to Metalinguistic Communities.” With Netta Avineri. American Association for Applied Linguistics, Houston/online (originally scheduled for 2020 Denver conference).

12/20 “Hebrew/Aramaic Elements in Jewish Languages.” Roundtable. Association for Jewish Studies 52, online.
12/19 “Hebrew Education in Part-Time Jewish Schools in the United States Today: Goals and Ideologies.” With Netta Avineri. Association for Jewish Studies 51, San Diego.
12/18 “50 Years of Linguistic Research Within Jewish Studies.” Roundtable. Association for Jewish Studies 50, Boston.
11/18 “Ethnolinguistic Infusion: Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps,” in panel “Language Use without Proficiency: Language Ideology, Metalinguistic Community and Ethnolinguistic Infusion.” American Anthropological Association 117, San Jose, California.
2/18 “Metalinguistic Communities, Ethnolinguistic Infusion, and Languages as Semiotic Resources: Potential Applications for Community and Heritage Languages.” Roundtable, Third International Conference on Heritage/Community Languages, UCLA.
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 Americans, 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 Impor-t-ance 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.

INVITED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

4/27 Multiple presentations, Vanderbilt University.
4/27 Multiple presentations, University of Kansas.
8/26 "Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving," University of Cape Town Kaplan Centre, South Africa.
8/26 "Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving," Hebrew Union College, Jerusalem.
6/26 "Heritage Words: Contemporary American Jews' New Engagements with Ancestral Languages," Israeli Association of Language and Society, online.
6/26 Moderator, Jewish Languages and Politics. Ideological Choices of Jews in the Modern Era, Warsaw, Poland.
4/26 "Jewish Languages," guest lecture, history class, American University.
2/26 "Heritage Words: Engaging Ancestral Languages in the Ethnolinguistic Repertoires of American Jews," University of Chicago Linguistics Department and Yiddish Program.
5/25 Panelist, "Invitation to Eden: Celebration of The Kitchen's New Siddur." The Kitchen, San Francisco.
4/25 "Language Endangerment and Reclamation in Jewish Communities Today." UC Berkeley, Linguistics.
4/25 "Engaging Ancestral Languages in the Ethnolinguistic Repertoires of American Jews." University of Basel, Linguistics, by Zoom.
4/24 "Language Endangerment and Reclamation in Contemporary Jewish Communities." Pennsylvania State University: Global Virtual Forum, by Zoom.
4/24 "Hebrew Infusion: Language and Community at American Jewish Summer Camps." Pennsylvania State University Applied Linguistics Department, Kirby-Greer Lecture.
12/23 "Distinctiveness in Jewish Languages." University of Pennsylvania Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies.
10/23 "Beyond Bagels and Burekas: American Jewish Language and Identity," "Language at American Jewish Summer Camps," "Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving." Michigan State University.
11/22 "Trends in American Jewish Names." Hunter College, by Zoom.
5/22 "Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving." Oxford School for Rare Jewish Languages, by Zoom.
11/21 "Hebrew and Yiddish in Los Angeles." Multilingualism in La La Land, UCLA. With Netta Avineri, by Zoom.
5/21 "Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." CYS College of Jewish Studies, by Zoom.
4/21 "Hebrew Infusion Book Event: A Conversation." Brandeis University Mandel Center for Studies in Jewish Education, by Zoom.
10/20 "Ethnolinguistic Infusion: A New Approach to Language Reclamation." California State University Bakersfield Linguistics Program, by Zoom.
4/20 "Returning: Women and Men of the Countercultural Ba'al Teshuva Movement." Panel discussion, Hebrew Theological College, by Zoom.

2/20 “Tradition and Creativity in Jewish Names Around the World.” University of California San Diego Jewish Studies Program.
2/20 “Ethnolinguistic Infusion: An Approach to Heritage and Endangered Language Management and Reclamation.” University of California Los Angeles Anthropology Department.
2/18 “Hebrew in the Sunshine: Language and Community at American Jewish Summer Camps.” University of Wisconsin Milwaukee Jewish Studies Program.
1/18 “Ethnolinguistic Infusion: An Approach to Heritage and Endangered Language Management.” University of Chicago Linguistics Department.
12/17 Talks about Hebrew use at Jewish summer camp, The Ohio State University, Jewish Studies and Linguistics.
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.

COURSES TAUGHT

Hebrew Union College (graduate students):

2026- *Jewish Languages Past and Present*
2018- *Jewish Names and Naming*
2010-20 *Jewish Social Research: Trends and Analysis*
2018-20 *Structure and Evolution of the American Jewish Community*
2017-20 *Applied Jewish Wisdom*
2009-10 *Introduction to Yiddish Language and Culture*
2007-14 *American Jewish Language and Identity*

2005-14 *Research Methods in American Jewish Life*
2007-08 *History of Jewish Languages*
2007-08 *Introduction to Yiddish*
2005-09 *Contemporary American Jewish Issues*
2004-05 *The Jewish Family in America*

University of Southern California (undergraduate students):

2026- *Jewish Names: People, Families, Pets, and Organizations*
2021- *Jewish Language in the 21st Century*
2018- *Judaism*
2013-19 *Language, Race, and Identity in the United States Today*
2012-13 *Identity, Community, Service: Jews and Other Americans (service learning)*
2010-11 *The Jew in American Society*
2005-13 *Language and Identity Among 'Hyphenated' Americans*
2005-06 *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*

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Leadership activities:

2021- Advisory Board, Oxford School of Rare Jewish Languages
2020- Founding Director, HUC Jewish Language Project
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 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- Owner, Jewish Languages Mailing List: 360+ subscribers, including queries, calls for papers, discussion forums on recent publications
2025- Editorial Board, *Linguistic Forum*
2017- Editorial Board, *American Jewish History*
2023-24 AJS Conference Task Force
2018-22 Editorial Board, *AJS Review*
2018-21 Editorial Board, *Contemporary Jewry*
2021 Vice President for Membership and Outreach, Association for Jewish Studies
2017-21 Faculty, Mandel Institute for Nonprofit Leadership, Executive Leadership Program
2017-20 Board member, Association for Jewish Studies
2016-18 Vice President, Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry
2017-19 Association for Jewish Studies, division chair, linguistics

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*

Peer review:

2009- Books: Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, SUNY Press, Routledge Press, Taylor and Francis Press, UCL Press, University Press of New England, Blackwell.
2007- Grants and fellowships: National Science Foundation, National Endowment for Humanities, Israel Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, Hadassah-Brandeis Institute Research Award.
2006- Journal articles (for some, multiple reviews): *Journal of Sociolinguistics*, *Jewish Quarterly Review*, *Language Variation and Change*, *Language and Communication*, *Language and Linguistics Compass*, *Language in Society*, *American Anthropologist*, *Discourse and Society*, *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*, *Contemporary Jewry*, *Center for Language*, *Interaction, and Culture Journal*, *Journal of Pragmatics*, *Heritage Language Journal*, *Western Folklore*, *Journal of Jewish Education*, *Journal of Jewish Identities*, *Jewish Social Studies*, *Journal of Jewish Languages*, *Journal of Jewish Communal Service*, *Religion*, *Contributions to the History of Concepts*, *International Journal of the Sociology of Language*, *American Speech*, *Current Anthropology*, *Sociolinguistic Studies*, *Mosaic: An Interdisciplinary Critical Journal*.
1998- Conferences: NWAV, AJS.

Tenure/promotion review:

2015- Several institutions in the US, Canada, and Israel.

HUC and USC service:

2019- Chair, Nemer lecture committee, USC
2015- Advisory board, Casden Institute for the Study of the Jewish Role in American Life, USC
2004- Various HUC committees and task forces, including admissions, Sephardic studies, artist-in-residence, elective and independent study evaluation, faculty retreat, student tenure, academic grievance, thought leadership, student prizes, renovation advisory group, etc.
2026 Interim faculty chair, HUC-LA
2025-26 Search committee, History, LA
2024-25 Search committee, Provost
2024-25 Chair, search committee, Louchheim Director
2021-24 Vice Provost, HUC (Faculty Handbook Revision Taskforce Chair, Accreditation Self-Study Steering Committee Chair, Academic Planning Committee Coordinator, Faculty Research Grants, Faculty Annual Reporting, various policies, including Intellectual Property)
2023-24 Search committee, Assessment Specialist

2022-23 Search committee, Director, Zelikow School of Jewish Nonprofit Management, HUC
2011-19 Nemer lecture committee, USC
2020-21 Faculty chair, Los Angeles campus, HUC
2020-21 Executive Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (ECASA), HUC
2020-21 Chair, cross-campus Online Learning Task Force, HUC
2020-21 Strategic Plan Working Group, HUC
2013-21 Chair, Curriculum Committee, Los Angeles campus, HUC
2010-15 Coordinator of Research Seminar, Los Angeles campus, HUC
2014-15 Search committee, Director, School of Jewish Nonprofit Management, HUC
2013-14 Interim director, HUC-JIR Jerome H. Louchheim School for Judaic Studies, USC. Created website 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, HUC
2012-13 Faculty Retreat Committee, Los Angeles campus, HUC
2010-13 Committee for Middle States Commission on Higher Education re-accreditation process: Chair of Working Group A, HUC
2008-10 Assisted in Western Association of Schools and Colleges re-accreditation process, HUC
2004-18 School of Jewish Communal Service / School of Jewish Nonprofit Management: Advising masters theses, revamping curriculum, coordinating masters thesis program, HUC

Conference coordinating committees:

6/26 "Jewish Languages and Politics. Ideological Choices of Jews in the Modern Era," Warsaw, Poland.
12/20 Co-chair, AJS online conference task force
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:

12/26 AJS 58, Philadelphia, "Recent linguistic developments among Jews in English-speaking countries: Hebrew, Yiddish, and Jewish English."
12/19 AJS 51, San Diego, "Ideology in Hebrew Educational Contexts."
12/18 AJS 50, Boston, "50 Years of Linguistic Research Within Jewish Studies" and "Jewish Name Changing Throughout the Ages."
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:

2024-25 Sephardi and Mizrahi Students in Los Angeles Schools, with JIMENA.
2019-23 American Jewish First Names, with Alicia Chandler.
2018-20 Hebrew Education in Part-Time Jewish Schools, with Netta Avineri and Nicki Greninger.
2013-20 Hebrew at American Jewish Summer Camps, with Jonathan Krasner and Sharon Avni.
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.

External Ph.D. advising: Dissertation committees:

2028? Hannah Lukow, Pennsylvania State University, Queer Yiddishism.
2022 Esther Jahns, Universität Potsdam Linguistics, “Language Ideologies and Linguistic Choices of German-Speaking Jews in Berlin: A Qualitative Analysis.”
2018 Isaac Bleaman, New York University Linguistics, “Outcomes of Minority Language Maintenance: Variation and Change in New York Yiddish.”
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."

CONSULTATION AND ADVISORY WORK

2021- Advisory Board, Wikitongues
2004- Consulting to journalists, writers, and filmmakers about Jewish language and culture
2026 Consultant, Yiddish Book Center exhibit
2023-25 Advisory Committee, Sephardim in the United States.
2021 Yiddish consultant for Netflix film "You People" (for a scene that was cut)
2013 Advisory Panel, Pew Research Center Survey of U.S. Jews
2012-13 Consulting to Los Angeles Jewish Federation about contemporary Jewish trends
2011-13 Academic Oversight Committee, Jewish Survey Question Bank

EXPERT WITNESS WORK: LINGUISTICS AND JEWISH STUDIES CONSULTING AND TESTIMONY

2023 Zoning case regarding Orthodox synagogue
2022-23 Employment discrimination case involving discussion of Jewish names
2015-21 Defamation case involving Hebrew-English mixing
2011-12 Defamation case involving metaphorical use of Jewish language (pro-bono)

MENTORSHIP

2010- Informal mentorship of many students and colleagues
2025 Mentor, Columbia College Odyssey Alumni Mentorship Program
2023-24 Mentor, Wexner Mentorship Program
2016-21 Mentor, AJS mentorship program

SELECTION COMMITTEES

2017 Selection Committee, Mandel Institute for Nonprofit Leadership
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

NON-ACADEMIC ARTICLES

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2024. "The Amen Effect in Action: Israel Solidarity Missions." *The Times of Israel*, January 25, 2024. https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/the-amen-effect-in-action-israel-solidarity-missions/.

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2021. "Creating My Own Ritual." *Tablet*, August 23. 2021. https://www.tabletmag.com/sections/community/articles/creating-my-own-ritual-cancer-haircutting.

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2021. "A COVID Silver Lining: Shul Hopping Has Never Been So Easy." *Scriptions: Jewish Thoughts and Responses to COVID-19*, March 2021. https://scriptions.huc.edu/scriptions/a-covid-silver-lining-shul-hopping-has-never-been-so-easy.

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2020. "Camp is Not Cancelled; It Has Moved Online: Jewish Summer Camps Should Announce Online Programming Now, and Funders Should Help." *eJewishPhilanthropy*, May 8, 2020. https://ejewishphilanthropy.com/camp-is-not-cancelled-it-has-moved-online-jewish-summer-camps-should-announce-online-programming-now-and-funders-should-help/.

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2020. "How to Host a Socially Distanced, International Passover Seder." *Forward*. https://forward.com/life/442288/how-to-host-a-socially-distanced-international-passover-seder/.

Benor, Sarah Bunin. 2020. "Born Before Suffrage, These Women are Still Waiting to Elect a Female President." *I Waited 96 Years*. https://www.iwaited96years.com/2020-follow-up.

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. 2011. "Fostering International Jewish Connections Through Travel." *eJewishPhilanthropy*, September 2011. http://ejewishphilanthropy.com/fostering-international-jewish-connections-through-travel/.

Benor, Sarah. 2008. "An Old-School Birthday: Pairing Kids and Seniors Can Yield a Great Party." *L.A. Parent Magazine*, October 2008. 26.

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

5/27	"Finding the Perfect Jewish Baby Name," Hava NaBaby, online.
3/27	Etz Chaim, Palo Alto, CA.
3/27	"Shamor v'Zachor: Preserving Endangered Jewish Languages One Word at a Time," B'nai David, Los Angeles, CA.
1/27	Panel on Jewish languages. Museum at Eldridge Street, online.
1/27	Orange County Jewish Genealogical Society
1/27	"Jewish Names Around the World," private event, Tarrytown, NY.
1/27	"A part of and apart from: What makes Jewish languages distinct?" Union for Reform Judaism, online.
11/26	Yiddish Book Center Yiddish Culture Fellows, online.

9/26 Live taping, Heritage Words Podcast, Michelle Azar, Wilshire Ebell Theater, Los Angeles.
9/26 American Ladino League Embashadores, online.
9/26 Yiddish Book Center Library Fellows, online.
8/26 9 lectures, Limmud Cape Town, Limmud Johannesburg.
7/26 "Insider Jewish Signaling," Breakout Session, Sami Rohr Literary Institute, Jerusalem.
7/26 "Shamor v'Zachor: Preserving Endangered Jewish Languages One Word at a Time," Temple Beth Am, Los Angeles, CA.
7/26 "Pastrami, Verklempt, and Tshoot-spa: Jewish Influences in American English," 70 Faces Media, 250 Years of Jewish Life in America.
7/26 "Jewish Languages: Commonality and Diversity," Brandeis Collegiate Institute, AJU, Simi Valley, CA.
6/26 "Shaina, Bamba, and Ruth Betta Finsberg: Jewish Names of Pets Today," "Jewish Languages, Endangered and Thriving," Conference for Small Town Jewish Life, Waterville, Maine.
5/26 "Jewish Languages," Mitzvah Learning Fund Day of Learning, Los Angeles.
4/26 "How Jews Got their Names," Stony Brook University, NY.
4/26 Scholar-in-residence, 2 sessions, Temple Israel of Great Neck, NY.
4/26 "Mameloshn: Yiddish Past and Present," Qesher, online.
3/26 "Many Traditions, One Exodus: Passover Worldwide," Miller Introduction to Judaism, American Jewish University, online.
3/26 "Jewish Heritage Words: Connecting to Our Ancestors and Communities," Yom Limmud, Leo Baeck Temple, Los Angeles.
3/26 "Jewish Heritage Words: Connecting to Our Ancestors and Communities," Jewish Community Library, San Francisco.
3/26 "Jewish Heritage Words: Connecting to Our Ancestors and Communities," Central Conference of American Rabbis, San Francisco.
3/26 Scholar-in-residence, 3 sessions, Jewish Congregation of Amherst, MA.
3/26 Panelist, "Lessons from History of Great Diasporas and American Jewry," Unconference on American Jewry, Reut Institute, Miami.
2/26 Moderator, 3 panels on Jewish Ancestry, HUC Jewish Language Project, online.
2/26 "Heritage Words: Engaging Students via Jewish Languages," Springboard Fellowship, online, 2 sessions.
2/26 "The Complexity of Mixed-Ancestry Communities," Wexner Alumni Institute, Chicago.
1/26 "Jewish Heritage Words," KAM Isaiah Israel, Chicago.
1/26 "Jewish Languages and Heritage Words," Qesher, online.
1/26 "Jewish Languages and Names," The Summit, Seattle.
1/26 Interview, Yoni Avi Battat, IKAR, Los Angeles.
1/26 "Jewish Languages," Yiddish Book Center class, online.
1/26 "Jewish Heritage Words: Connecting with our Ancestors," Temple Kol Tikvah, Davidson, NC, online.

1/26 “Hebrew in Jewish Communities, Past and Present,” Hebrew Day, 70 Faces Media, online.

12/25 “Jewish Personal Names Around the World: Tradition and Creativity,” Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Nahum Goldmann Fellowship, online.

12/25 “Jewish Language Project,” Kashi documentation class, Lehrhaus and JLP.

12/25 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, Thriving,” University of Illinois Hillel.

11/25 Panelist, “Power of Words: The ABC of Jewish Languages.” POLIN Museum, online.

11/25 “Chutzpah to Chidush: A Century of Yiddish-Influenced English in America.” Yiddish Day, Los Angeles.

11/25 “The Work of Remembering: Endangered Indigenous and Jewish Languages.” Holocaust Museum LA, Wilshire Ebell, Los Angeles.

11/25 “Jewish Heritage Words: Connecting to Our Ancestors and Communities.” JewishGen, by Zoom.

11/25 “Jewish Languages.” Six11, Base LA, Limmud Global Day of Learning, Los Angeles.

9/25 “Yiddish Past and Present.” Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles.

5/25 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving,” “Jewish Names: People and Pets.” Temple Emanuel, Denver.

4/25 “Hebrew Infusion in Reform Contexts.” CCAR, by Zoom.

3/25 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Agudas Achim, Columbus, OH.

3/25 “Heritage Words: Keeping Family Languages and Names Alive,” “Reclaiming Ladino and Other Endangered Jewish Languages.” Beth Shalom, Seattle.

2/25 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangerment and Resilience.” Yom Limmud, Houston.

2/25 “Jewish Languages and Names.” Scholar-in-residence, Congregation Emanu El, Houston.

2/25 “Engaging with Endangered Jewish Languages Today.” Lehrhaus, Boston.

1/25 “Jewish Surnames and Name Changing Around the World: Diversity and Unity.” Congregation Ner Tamid, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA.

1/25 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, Thriving?” Haberman Institute for Jewish Studies, by Zoom.

11/24 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles.

8/24 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Valley Beit Midrash, by Zoom.

6/24 “Jewish Names Around the World.” Mishkan Tefila, Brookline, by Zoom.

6/24 “Jewish Names Around the World.” Qesher, by Zoom.

5/24 “Endangered Languages: Collaborating to Preserve and Revitalize Jewish Languages.” Fifth International Judaica Curators Conference, National Library of Israel.

4/24 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Qesher, by Zoom.

4/24 “Beyond Bagels and Burekas: American Jewish Language and Identity.” Temple Beth Torah, Ventura, CA, by Zoom.

4/24 “Jewish Names Around the World.” Stephen Wise Temple, Los Angeles.

4/24 “Jewish Languages: Commonality and Diversity.” Wyner Family Jewish Heritage Center, Boston, by Zoom.

3/24 “Jewish Languages: Commonality and Diversity.” The Jewish Bookshelf, HUC-JIR, by Zoom.

3/24 “Jewish Language Project.” San Francisco State University Jewish Studies class, by Zoom.

2/24 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Nahum Goldmann Fellowship Network, by Zoom.

2/24 “Jewish Language Project.” Avodah New Orleans, by Zoom.

2/24 “Jewish Names Around the World,” “Beyond Bagels and Burekas: American Jewish Language and Identity,” and “Pastrami, Verklempt, and Tshoot-spa: Non-Jews’ Use of Jewish Language in the United States.” Temple Beth El, East Windsor, New Jersey.

1/24 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Jewish Community Library, by Zoom.

1/24 “Hebrew Education.” Jewish Education class, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles.

1/24 “Jewish Interfaith/Intercultural Marriage: A Sign of Thriving or Decline?” 18 Doors, by Zoom.

12/23 “The Jewish Language Project: Past, Present, and Future.” Der Nister, Los Angeles.

11/23 “Jewish Personal Names Around the World.” JewishGen, by Zoom.

8/23 Panelist, “Jewish Language on TV: Language in ‘Jewish Matchmaking’ and ‘Soon By You.’” HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.

8/23 Moderator, “Jewish Language on TV: Language in ‘History of the World Part II.’” HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.

8/23 “Jewish Personal Names Around the World: Tradition and Creativity.” Congregation B’nai Tzedek, Fountain Valley, California.

8/23 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Los Angeles Board of Rabbis.

8/23 “Jewish Names Around the World.” Qesher, by Zoom.

7/23 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Temple B’nai Israel, Oklahoma City.

7/23 Moderator, “Jewish Language on TV: Language Mixing in Netflix’s ‘Rough Diamonds.’” HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.

7/23 “Hebrew Infusion at American Jewish Summer Camps.” Community Scholars Program, by Zoom.

7/23 “Jewish Family Names.” Chai Village.

6/23	"Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving." American Jewish University Maven, by Zoom.
6/23	Moderator, "Jewish Language on TV: Hebrew and Orthodox Jewish English in 'Chanshi.'" HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.
5/23	Moderator, "The Language of Dying: Jewish Women's Wills in the Premodern Mediterranean." HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.
4/23	"Jewish Names," Nefesh Los Angeles.
3/23	Panelist, "Cawfee Tawk: The Accents and Vocabulary of Jewish New Yorkers."
3/23	"Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving." Qesher, by Zoom.
3/23	"Jewish Languages of Iran." Beth Haverim Shir Shalom, New Jersey, by Zoom.
3/23	"Jewish Names Around the World." Am Yisrael Conservative Congregation, Illinois, by Zoom.
2023	Instructor, "Speaking Jewish Around the Globe: Endangered Jewish Languages from Italy to India and Beyond." 12-session course, HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project and The UnYeshiva from Judaism Unbound, by Zoom.
2/23	Panelist, "21st Century American Judaism: From Antisemitism to New Forms of Engagement." USC Casden Institute, by Zoom.
1/23	"Yiddish: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow." Generations After, by Zoom.
1/23	"Jewish Names Around the World." Qesher, by Zoom.
11/22	Panelist, "New Angles on Los Angeles." HUC Connect, by Zoom.
11/22	"Do American Jews Speak a Jewish Language?" Cantors Assembly, Los Angeles.
10/22	Moderator, "Women's Voices: Introducing an Online Exhibit of Jewish Languages." HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.
9/22	"From Rachel and David to Maya and Ezra: Trends in American Jewish Personal Names," with Alicia Chandler. HUC-JIR Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.
8/22	"Jewish Names Around the World." Temple Beth Torah, Ventura, CA, by Zoom.
5/22	"Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving." Qesher, by Zoom.
4-5/22	"Jewish Language and Identity." Three-session series, Temple Rodef Shalom in Falls Church, Virginia, by Zoom.
3/22	"Jewish Languages: Commonality and Diversity." CCAR, San Diego.
3/22	"Jewish Languages Around the World: Spotlight on Iran." Beth Haverim Shir Shalom, Mahwah, New Jersey, by Zoom.
3/22	"Pastrami, Verklempt, and Tshoot-spa: Non-Jews' Use of Jewish Language in the United States." Community Scholars Program, by Zoom.
2/22	"Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving." American Sephardi Federation Institute of Jewish Experience, by Zoom.

12/21 “Jewish Surnames and Name Changing Around the World: Diversity and Unity.” Limmud Toronto, by Zoom.

12/21 “Echoes of Yiddish in North American English.” Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, Westmount, Quebec, Canada, by Zoom.

12/21 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Pressman Academy, Los Angeles.

11/21 “A Brief Introduction to Jewish Languages.” Rimon Festival of Jewish Languages, Yiddish House, London, by Zoom.

10/21 “Chutzpah to Chidush: A Century of Yiddish-Influenced English in America.” Shir Ami Congregation, Newtown, Pennsylvania, by Zoom.

10/21 “A Brief Introduction to Jewish Languages.” Jewish Languages Gala, Wikitongues, Living Tongues Institute, and Jewish Language Project, by Zoom.

6-7/21 “Jewish Languages Past and Present.” Six-session course, Town and Village Synagogue, New York, by Zoom.

6/21 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Qesher, by Zoom.

5/21 “Pastrami, Verklempt, and Tshoot-spa: Non-Jews’ Use of Jewish Language in the United States.” Congregation Kol Ami, Salt Lake City, by Zoom.

5/21 “Hebrew Infusion at Jewish Summer Camps.” B’nai Jehoshua Beth Elohim, Deerfield, Illinois, by Zoom.

4/21 “Endangered Jewish Languages: Spotlight on Iranian and Bukharian Jews with Sarah Benor and Ruben Shimonov.” Yiddish Book Center and 7000 Languages.

4/21 “Echoes of Yiddish in American English.” York University Jewish Studies, by Zoom.

4/21 “Jewish Surnames and Name Changing Around the World: Diversity and Unity.” Mosaic, the Oxford Jewish Community, by Zoom.

4/21 “Jewish Personal Names Around the World: Tradition and Creativity.” Temple Chai, Long Grove, Illinois, by Zoom.

4/21 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, but also Surviving and Thriving.” European Union for Progressive Judaism, by Zoom.

4/21 Scholar-in-residence, American Jewish University Passover retreat.

3/21 “Chutzpah to Chidush: A Century of Yiddish-Influenced English in America.” Siegal Lifelong Learning, Cleveland, by Zoom.

3/21 “Language and Racism.” HUC Connect: Judaism and Civil Society, by Zoom.

2/21 “Jewish Languages Today: Endangered, Surviving, and Thriving.” Congregation Emanu El, Redlands, CA, by Zoom.

2/21 “Do American Jews Speak a Jewish Language?” Community Scholar Program, by Zoom.

12/20 “Jewish Surnames and Name Changing Around the World: Diversity and Unity.” Limmud UK, by Zoom.

12/20 “Diversity in Jewish English Writing.” Judaism Unbound’s Geltraiser.

9/20	"Jewish Surnames and Name Changing Around the World: Diversity and Unity." Community Scholar Program, by Zoom. Video available.
9/20	"Ruach in the Chadar Ochel: Language and Community at American Jewish Summer Camps." JewItAtHome and Temple Beth Am, by Zoom.
8/20	"Hebrew Infusion: Language and Community at American Jewish Summer Camps." Hebrew at the Center, by Zoom.
8/20	"Let's Stop Calling it 'Hebrew School': Rationales, Goals, and Practices of Hebrew Education in Part-time Jewish Schools." Hebrew at the Center, by Zoom.
6/20	"Becoming Frum: How Newcomers Learn the Language and Culture of Orthodox Judaism." Congregation Rinat Yisrael, Teaneck, New Jersey, by Zoom.
4-5/20	"Jewish Languages and Names," series of six webinars. Jewish Language Project and Jewish Live, by Zoom and Facebook Live.
4/20	"We The Resilient," Shelton McMurphey Johnson House, Eugene, Oregon (by Zoom).
4/20	"Multilingual Passover," Jewish Language Project and JIMENA (by Zoom and Facebook Live).
3/20	"Introduction to Endangered Jewish Languages," at "Passover Around the World: A Multimedia Concert," Los Angeles (by Zoom).
2/20	Scholar-in-residence, Temple Emanuel, Sarasota, Florida.
1/20	"Jewish Names Around the World." Temple Beth Israel, Riverside, California.
11/19	"Do American Jews Speak a 'Jewish English'?" Temple Beth Israel of Pomona, California.
4/19	"Jewish Names Around the World." Congregation Or Ami, Calabasas, California.
2/19	Scholar-in-residence, Temple Emanu-El and University of Arizona, Tucson.
1/19	Scholar-in-residence, Congregation Beth Sholom, Teaneck, New Jersey.
1/19	Scholar-in-residence, Pacific Association of Reform Rabbis, Palm Springs, California.
10/18	"Jewish Names Around the World." Temple Judea, Tarzana, California.
7/18	"Hebrew and Yiddish in Contemporary Television: The Case of Transparent. Greenfield Institute on Jews and Media, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
4/18	"Chutzpah to Chidush." Temple Beth El, San Pedro, California.
Spring 2018	Scholar, 6 sessions on language, West Side Profits study group, Los Angeles.
11/17	Scholar-in-residence, Temple Akiba, Culver City, California.
1/17	Scholar-in-residence, 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 with Rabbi Nicki Greninger, 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 Prawer 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.

PODCAST APPEARANCES

8/26 New Books Network, Jewish Studies, https://newbooksnetwork.com/posen-library-jewish-studies-teaching-modules.
4/26 Our Jewish Story app.
3/26 Can Jew Believe, https://www.jltv.tv/canjewbelieve/episode/374bcd82/the-endangered-jewish-languages.
3/26 The Sounding Jewish Podcast, https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/episode-4-dr-sarah-bunin-benor-hebrew-union-college/id1652578472?i=1000752257098.
1/26 The Rest is Commentary, https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/039-into-the-wow-a-conversation-with-dr-sarah-bunin-benor/id1773016797?i=1000746840668.
5/25 All Things Considered, https://www.npr.org/2025/04/22/nx-s1-5346733/yiddish-is-making-a-comeback.
7/24 Mazel Pups, https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/jewish-pet-names-unleashed/id1760082211?i=1000664556005.
4/24 American Jewish University Open Learning, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1zTnnwfP8wU
10/22 Radio Sefarad, https://www.radiosefarad.com/hebrew-union-colleges-jewish-language-project-with-dr-sarah-bunin-benor/.
6/21 College Commons, https://collegecommons.huc.edu/bully_pulpit/2020-pew-study/.
6/21 College Commons, https://collegecommons.huc.edu/bully_pulpit/hebrew-infusion/.

2/21 Jewish History Matters, https://www.jewishhistory.fm/a-hebrew-infusion-hebrew-at-american-jewish-summer-camps-with-sharon-avni-sarah-bunin-benor-and-jonathan-krasner/.

2/21 Unorthodox, https://www.tabletmag.com/podcasts/unorthodox/episode-263-jackie-tohn-glow-leftovers-sarah-bunin-benor-camp-hebrew.

2/21 Your Last Meal with Rachel Belle, https://omny.fm/shows/your-last-meal-with-rachel-belle/maria-sharapova-latkes-sour-cream.

12/20 Unorthodox, https://www.tabletmag.com/podcasts/unorthodox/episode-254-hanukkah-2020-latkes-kosha-dillz-holiday-music.

2/20 Adventures in Jewish Studies: The World of Jewish Languages, https://castbox.fm/app/castbox/player/id1500246.

6/19 Valley Beit Midrash, https://soundcloud.com/valleybeitmidrash/is-hebrew-education-in-sunday-school-working.

5/19 Judaism Unbound, https://www.judaismunbound.com/podcast/episode-169-sarah-bunin-benor1.

8/17 Unorthodox, https://www.tabletmag.com/podcasts/unorthodox/unorthodox-episode-102-linguist-sarah-bunin-benor-architect-duo-dickinson.

12/16 Valley Beit Midrash, https://soundcloud.com/valleybeitmidrash/chutzpah-to-chidush.

ENDORSEMENTS FOR OTHERS' BOOKS

Sharon Avni, 2026. *Speaking of Hebrew: What Language Does for American Jews*. Detroit: Wayne State University Press.

Assaf Bar-Moshe, 2024. *Baghdadi Judeo-Arabic: An Introductory Textbook*. London: University College London Press.

Joseph Reimer, 2022. *Making Shabbat: Celebrating and Learning at American Jewish Summer Camps*. Waltham: Brandeis University Press.

Lily Kahn and Aaron Rubin. 2021. *Jewish Languages from A-Z*. London: Routledge.

Benstein, Jeremy. 2019. *Hebrew Roots, Jewish Routes: A Tribal Language in a Global World*. Millburn, NJ: Behrman House.

Mann, Rachel. 2016. *On Blackberry Hill* (novel about Jewish summer camp). CreateSpace.

Dalfin, Chaim. 2015. *Chabad's Secret: Inside the World's most Successful Jewish Organization*. New York: JEP Press.

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

2024- Board Member, Tivnu: Building Justice gap year program
2024-26 Chair, Sephardi/Mizrahi task force, Ikar (synagogue)
2022 Chair, Hebrew task force, Limudim, Ikar
2019-23 Board Member, Habonim Dror Camp Gilboa: Growth Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Survey creation and analysis, Chair of 2 ED Search Committees, Vice Chair
2013-21 Board Member, Pressman Academy (Temple Beth Am Education Cabinet), Committee on Trustees, Strategic Planning Committee, Middle School Committee Chair
2018-21 Coordinator, Mother-Daughter Book Club, Pressman Academy
2019-20 Coordinator, Class Bar/Bat Mitzvah Group Gift, Tzedakah Collective, Pressman Academy
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 Chaike 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: *Ashnelerando*)
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)
Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry (since 2003)
Network for Research on Jewish Education (since 2020)
American Name Society (since 2023)
American Association for Applied Linguistics (since 2019)
At various points:
Linguistic Society of America
American Dialect Society
American Anthropological Association

LANGUAGES

English: native
Yiddish, Modern Hebrew, Orthodox Jewish English: proficient
Biblical Hebrew, French, Spanish, Ladino (Judezmo/Judeo-Spanish): beginner-intermediate