

ANDREW S. BUCKSER

Dean of Arts and Sciences
Professor of Anthropology
State University of New York at Plattsburgh

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of California, Berkeley	Anthropology	1993
M.A.	University of California, Berkeley	Anthropology	1988
B.A., <i>summa</i>	Harvard University	Anthropology	1986

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1. Administrative Positions

State University of New York at Plattsburgh

School of Arts and Sciences

Dean of Arts and Sciences

2013-present

Academic and administrative leadership at comprehensive university in northern New York with 6,000 students and a strong focus on student success. Supervise 21 departments and 11 interdisciplinary programs with more than 300 faculty, as well as a major regional art museum, grant-funded neurobehavioral health center, and Sea Grant funded research institute. Annual budget of over \$16 million. Responsible for advancement of teaching and research; budgeting and planning; personnel and resource management; faculty development and retention; management of facilities and space; advocacy for arts and sciences in university, system, and community contexts; and development of new projects and initiatives. Achievements include:

Development of new programs in Robotics, Biomedical Sciences, Computer Security, Crisis Communications, Music Arts Management, Professional Writing, Jewish Studies, Bluegrass Performance, and Film Studies

Major facilities improvements in laboratory science, broadcast communications, clinical neuropsychology, astronomy, and visual arts

Expansion of faculty strength in areas of high student demand, including Computer Science, Biology, Physics, Public Relations, Criminal Justice, and Communications

Development of seminar series and support systems for new faculty members and department chairs

Purdue University

College of Liberal Arts

Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education

2012-2013

Responsible for advancement of research and graduate education in liberal arts at AAU research university. Work with faculty to develop and submit external research grants; develop and

administer programs of internal research funding; develop interdisciplinary research clusters and collaborations with other colleges; work with college and university development staff to cultivate new corporate and foundation funding resources; develop and coordinate University policies and funding programs for graduate students; administer and develop the Wilke Undergraduate Research Internship program; serving as the liaison with the Office of the Vice President for Research, the Graduate School, the Institutional Review Board, and other University offices.

Cornell University

Office of the Provost

American Council on Education Fellow

2011-2012

Participatory fellowship in university administration under the supervision of Provost Kent Fuchs and Senior Vice Provost Ronald Seeber. Work with senior administrators at Cornell University to learn about key issues in higher education administration, including budgeting and finance, development, academic affairs, and student services. Conduct comprehensive study and analysis of interdisciplinary research and teaching at Cornell. Conduct site visits to colleges and universities throughout the northeast to study administrative practice. Participate in conferences and instructional retreats for fellows on higher education administration.

Purdue University

Department of Anthropology

Director of Undergraduate Studies

2008-2010

Develop and administer policies and procedures for undergraduate program in newly formed Department of Anthropology, with about 100 majors and annual course enrollments of about 2,500 students. Develop and implement systems for curriculum planning, course and instructor evaluation, program assessment, and other program logistics.

Purdue University

Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Chair of Anthropology

2005-2008

Primary administrator for semiautonomous anthropology section in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, comprising 11 faculty members, 25-30 graduate students at M.S. and Ph.D. levels, and 50-75 undergraduate majors. Supervise course scheduling and curriculum development for graduate and undergraduate programs; coordinated graduate admissions and funding decisions; develop and administer section activities and events; manage hiring process for faculty and staff positions; promote anthropology at alumni and student events; supervise clerical staff; manage day-to-day student and personnel issues within section.

2. Faculty Positions

State University of New York at Plattsburgh

Department of Anthropology

Professor of Anthropology

2013-present

Purdue University	Department of Anthropology	
Professor of Anthropology		2009-2013
Associate Professor of Anthropology		2001-2009
Assistant Professor of Anthropology		1995-2001
Hartwick College	Department of Anthropology	
Assistant Professor of Anthropology		1993-1995
University of California, Berkeley	Departments of Anthropology and History	
Graduate Student Instructor		1989-1992
Northbridge Junior-Senior High School, Whitinsville, Massachusetts		
Teacher		1986-1987

AREAS OF ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION

Internationally recognized expert in anthropology of religion and medical anthropology, with topical specialties in Judaism, Protestantism, anthropology of modernity, and Tourette Syndrome.

Extensive ethnographic field research in Denmark over 20 years; additional fieldwork in Indiana and on St. Pierre Island.

Extensive teaching at graduate and undergraduate levels in cultural anthropology, general anthropology, anthropology of religion, psychological anthropology, and anthropological theory.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Author of three books and more than 20 peer-reviewed articles in journals of anthropology, sociology, religious studies, and ethnic studies, as well as more than 50 book chapters, reviews, reference articles, and conference presentations. Representative publications include:

Andrew Buckser, "On and Off the Margin: The Anthropology of Contemporary Jewry." *Religion and Society* 2:1:72-89, 2012.

Andrew Buckser, "Institutions, Agency, and Illness in the Making of Tourette Syndrome." *Human Organization* 68:3:293-306, 2009.

- Andrew Buckser, "Before Your Very Eyes: Illness, Agency, and the Management of Tourette Syndrome." *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 22:2:167-192, 2008.
- Andrew Buckser, *After the Rescue: Jewish Identity and Community in Contemporary Denmark*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003.
- Andrew Buckser and Stephen D. Glazier, eds., *The Anthropology of Religious Conversion*. Lanham: Rowman and Littlefield, 2003.
- Andrew Buckser, "Religious Practice and Cultural Politics in Jewish Copenhagen." *American Ethnologist* 30(1):102-117, 2003.
- Andrew Buckser, "At være eller ikke at være: Modernitet og fælleskab blandt jøder i Danmark." *Rambam* 12(1):9-14, 2003.
- Andrew Buckser, "Rescue and Cultural Context During the Holocaust: Grundtvigian Nationalism and the Rescue of the Danish Jews." *Shofar* 19(2), 2001.
- Andrew Buckser, "Jewish Identity and the Meaning of Community in Contemporary Denmark." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 23(4):712-734, 2000.
- Andrew Buckser, "Keeping Kosher: Eating and Social Identity Among the Jews of Denmark." *Ethnology* 38(3):191-209, 1999.
- Andrew Buckser, "Religion, Science, and Secularization Theory on a Danish Island." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 35(4):432-441, 1996.

SELECTED TEACHING AWARDS

Department of Anthropology Teaching Award, Purdue University, 2009
Departmental Nominee, CLA Excellence in Teaching Award, Purdue University, 2005, 2008, 2009
Darryl Evans Teaching Award, Purdue University, 2000, 2004
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of California, Berkeley, 1990

SELECTED RESEARCH GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

American Council on Education Fellowship, Cornell University, 2011-12.
Clifford Kinley Trust Research Grant, "Ethnographic Study of Tourette Syndrome." 2006-2009
Research Incentive Grant, Purdue University School of Liberal Arts, "Ethnographic Research on Tourette Syndrome." 2005
Purdue Research Foundation Grant, "The Jewish Community of Zagreb." 1998.
Kaufmann Fund Grant, American-Scandinavian Foundation, "Jewish Identity and Community in Copenhagen, Denmark." 1997
Berkeley Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 1987-88, 1991-3
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1988-91

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Lake Champlain Sea Grant, Steering Committee, 2017-present

Great Lakes Research Consortium, Board of Governors, 2013-present

American Ethnological Society, Executive Council, 2011-2013; 2013 Annual Meeting Program
Chair

Society for the Anthropology of Religion, Executive Board, 1996-1997, 2005-2009; Program Chair,
2004; Treasurer, 1997-2003; Secretary, 1997, 1999-2000

Clifford Geertz Prize in the Anthropology of Religion, Chair, 2005-2009

SELECTED EDITORIAL SERVICE

Member, Advisory Board, *Religion and Society: Advances in Research*. 2010 to present.

Contributing Editor, *Anthropology News*, 1997-2005

Peer reviewer for more than 20 academic journals and 10 academic presses from 1995 to present

SELECTED UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

Executive Council, SUNY Plattsburgh, 2013-present

Chair, Plattsburgh State Art Museum Executive Committee, 2013-present

Middle States Accreditation Steering Committee, SUNY Plattsburgh, 2015-present

Religious Studies Executive Committee, Purdue University, 2010-13.

Senator, Purdue University Faculty Senate, 2007-2008.

Executive Committee, Jewish Studies Program, Purdue University, 2002-2013.

Religious Studies Committee, Purdue University, 1996-2013.

Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology Colloquium Committee, 2002, 2006.

SPECIAL SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Languages: English (Native speaker), Danish (read, write, speak fluently), French (read, write, speak well), Norwegian (read, understand spoken language), Swedish (read), Latin (read), Russian (read)

Online Education: Experienced in design, production, and teaching of online courses using Adobe and Blackboard course delivery systems.