

## Appendix: The Survey Questionnaire

Q1.1 2014 AJS Study of the Jewish Studies Profession

Q1.2 Your Work

Q1.3 Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.

- Academic (including both teaching and administration)
- Researcher
- Student (or primarily student)
- Museum/Archive/Library Professional
- K-12 Teacher/Administrator
- Non-Profit Professional
- Other, please enter: \_\_\_\_\_
- Not sure

Answer If      Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected Or      Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Researcher Is Selected

Q1.4 Which of the following best describes your current employment situation? Check the single category that is most suitable.

- Full-time
- Part-time
- Not employed
- Retired
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Not sure

Answer If      Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Student (or primarily student) Is Selected

Q1.5 Which type of graduate program are you in?

- Masters
- PhD
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer If Which type of graduate program are you in? PhD Is Selected

Q1.6 Which of the following best describes your current status as a student?

- Taking courses, pre-comprehensive exams
- Preparing the dissertation proposal
- Conducting doctoral research
- Writing the dissertation
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Not sure

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Student (or primarily student) Is Selected

Q1.7 In the last academic year (2013-14), did you work for pay? If yes, about how many hours did you devote to your work for pay, including preparation/grading time if teaching?

- No, not working
- Yes, worked less than 10 hours a week
- Yes, worked 10-19 hours a week
- Yes, worked 20-39 hours a week
- Yes, worked 40+ hours a week

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected Or Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Researcher Is Selected

Q1.8 Where are you currently working? (If retired, please answer with respect to your principal place of former employment; if multiple possibilities, choose the most appropriate answer.)

- College, university, seminary, or other institution of higher education
- Another type of research or educational institution
- Educational setting, K-12
- A non-profit under Jewish auspice
- A non-profit not under Jewish auspice
- Museum, library or archive
- The private sector
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Not applicable
- Not sure

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate. Student (or primarily student) Is Selected

Q1.9 With which academic institution are you (primarily) affiliated (if more than one, pick the one where you work the most or have been affiliated longer)?

Not applicable

- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Prefer not say

Answer If Where are you currently working? (If retired, please answer with respect to your principal place of former employment; if multiple possibilities, choose the most appropriate answer.) College, university, seminary, or other institution of higher education Is Selected

Q1.10 With respect to this institution, it is (check all the apply)...

- Public
- Private
- Sectarian – Jewish
- Sectarian - Christian
- None of the above
- Not sure

Answer If Where are you currently working? (If retired, please answer with respect to your principal place of former employment; if multiple possibilities, choose the most appropriate answer.) College, university, seminary, or other institution of higher education Is Selected

Q1.11 It is...

- A 2-year junior or community college
- A 4-year institution or college
- A graduate-degree granting institution or university
- A seminary
- A research institute
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Not sure

Answer If Where are you currently working? (If retired, please answer with respect to your principal place of former employment; if multiple possibilities, choose the most appropriate answer.) College, university, seminary, or other institution of higher education Is Selected

Q1.12 Does your institution offer....

	Yes	No	Not sure
Undergraduate courses in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
An undergraduate program in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
An undergraduate major in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
An undergraduate minor in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
An undergraduate certificate in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Graduate-level courses in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A graduate program in Jewish Studies?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
An M.A. in Jewish Studies or in another discipline with a concentration in the Jewish experience?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A Ph.D. in Jewish Studies or in another discipline with a concentration in the Jewish experience?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate. <o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected Or Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate. <o... Researcher Is Selected

Q1.13 Which of the following titles, if any, apply to you? (Choose the single most appropriate answer.)

- Professor Emeritus
- (Full) Professor
- Associate Professor
- Assistant Professor
- Visiting Professor (any rank)
- Senior Lecturer
- Lecturer
- Other academic title, please enter: \_\_\_\_\_
- Postdoctoral Fellow
- None of the above
- Not sure

Answer If Which of the following titles, if any, apply to you? (Choose the single most appropriate answer.) Professor Emeritus Is Selected Or Which of the following titles, if any, apply to you? (Choose the single most appropriate answer.) (Full) Professor Is Selected Or Which of the following titles, if any, apply to you? (Choose the single most appropriate answer.) Associate Professor Is Selected Or Which of the following titles, if any, apply to you? (Choose the single most appropriate answer.) Assistant Professor Is Selected

Q1.14 Do you hold an endowed chair?

- Yes
- No

profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected

Q1.15 In addition to any of the academic titles above, do any of the following job titles apply to you? (If several, choose one that is most appropriate.)

- University president
- Provost
- Dean
- Department chair
- Higher educational officer or administrator
- Rabbi
- Other, please enter: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected

Q1.16 You are ...

- Tenured
- Non-tenured but on a tenure-track
- Adjunct (teaching on a semester-to-semester basis)
- Contract faculty (teaching position with at least one-year commitment from institution)
- Not applicable (retired, etc.)

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected

Q1.17 Do you have an appointment in ... (select one)

- A Jewish Studies program/ department exclusively
- A Jewish Studies program/ department and another program/ department
- A department/ program outside of a Jewish Studies program/department
- An institution (almost) entirely devoted to Jewish Studies
- Other configuration, please enter: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate.<o... Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected

Q1.18 Which field best characterizes your current department? (If you have a joint appointment, please choose one category.)

- Agriculture
- Anthropology
- American studies
- Applied arts
- Applied Mathematics
- Archaeology
- Architecture and design
- Area studies
- Art History
- Arts
- Bible
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer sciences
- Comparative literature
- Cultural and ethnic studies
- Demography
- Divinity
- Earth sciences
- Economics
- Education
- Engineering
- English literature
- Environmental studies and forestry
- Family and consumer science
- Folklore
- Game theory
- Gender and sexuality studies
- Geography
- Hebrew Language and Literature
- Healthcare science
- History
- Human physical performance and recreation\*
- Journalism, media studies and communication
- Jewish Studies
- Law
- Library and museum studies
- Languages
- Linguistics
- Literature
- Logic

- Military sciences
- Music
- Near Eastern / Middle Eastern studies
- Other arts
- Performing arts
- Philology
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political science
- Psychology
- Public administration
- Pure Mathematics
- Rabbincs/Talmud
- Religion
- Romance
- Social work
- Sociology
- Space sciences
- Statistics
- Systems science
- Transportation
- Visual arts
- Other

Q1.19 Which subject area best represents your area of specialization?

- Bible
- Cultural Studies/Media Studies
- Education
- Gender Studies
- Hebrew Literature and Language
- Holocaust Studies
- Israel Studies
- Jewish History, Ancient
- Jewish History, Medieval
- Jewish History, Early Modern/Modern
- Jewish History, Other
- Jewish Literature
- Jewish Mysticism
- Jewish Philosophy
- Jewish Thought and Theology
- Linguistics, Semiotics, and Philology
- Sephardi/Mizrahi Studies
- Social Sciences (Anthropology, Economics, Sociology, etc.)
- Talmud, Midrash, and Rabbinics
- Visual Culture/Arts
- Yiddish Literature and Language
- Other, please enter: \_\_\_\_\_

Q2.1 Teaching

Q2.2 During the last three years, have you given any courses at a college, university, seminary, or other institution of higher learning?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

Answer If During the last three years, have you given any courses at a college, university, seminary, or other institution of higher learning? Yes Is Selected

Q2.3 In which of the following areas have you given courses during the last 3 years? (Answer yes to all that apply, and feel free to check two categories if they apply to the same course. E.g., History of the Holocaust might be classified as both “Modern Jewish History” and “Holocaust Studies”).



- Bible
- Education
- Gender Studies
- Hebrew Language
- Hebrew Literature
- Holocaust Studies
- Israel Studies
- Jewish History, Ancient
- Jewish History, Medieval
- Jewish History, Modern
- Jewish History, American
- Jewish History, Other
- Jewish Literature
- Jewish Mysticism
- Jewish Philosophy
- Jewish Thought and Theology
- Linguistics Semiotics and Philology
- Sephardi/Mizrahi Studies
- Social sciences (Anthropology, Economics, Sociology, etc.)
- Talmud Midrash and Rabbinics
- Visual Culture/Arts
- Yiddish Language
- Yiddish Literature
- Jewish Studies courses in another area
- Other courses, not in Jewish Studies, but that contain some Jewish Studies material
- Other courses, not in Jewish Studies

Q2.4 In the last three years, have you taught any courses online?

- Yes, more than one
- Yes, one
- No, none

Q2.5 Over the last academic year (2013-14), how many courses did you teach (not including summer courses; count year courses as "2"):

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- More than six

Q2.6 Of these, how many were on topics in Jewish Studies even if offered through a different academic unit?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- More than six

Q2.7 Compared with three years ago, with respect to your courses in Jewish Studies, which would you say best characterizes trends in course enrollments?

- Large increase
- Small increase
- Little or no change
- Small decline
- Large decline

Q2.8 In the last three years, have you had a course cancelled due to low enrollment?

- Yes
- No

Q2.9 Do you direct, mentor or supervise students writing Masters theses in some area of Jewish Studies?

- Yes
- No

Q2.10 Do you direct, mentor or supervise Ph.D. students in some area of Jewish Studies?

- Yes
- No

Answer If Do you direct, mentor or supervise Ph.D. students in some area of Jewish Studies?  
Yes Is Selected

Q2.11 About how many Ph.D. students under your primary direction do you expect will complete their Ph.D. dissertations and graduate between September 2014 and August 2015?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four
- Five or more

Q3.1 Academic and Scholarly Activities

Q3.2 How many books have you authored or co-authored that were published since January 1, 2009?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four or more

Q3.3 How many books have you edited or co-edited, that were published since January 1, 2009?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four or more

Q3.4 About how many articles, chapters, or reports in your field have you authored or co-authored, that were published since January 1, 2009?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four or more

Q3.5 In the last 12 months, about how many presentations have you made at academic or professional conferences?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four or more

Q3.6 In the last 12 months, about how many times have you made presentations (i.e. lectures, etc.) to largely non-academic audiences?

- None
- Once
- 2 - 3
- 4 - 6
- 8 - 10
- More than 10

Q3.7 In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or has your work been cited in the news media, either in print, or online?

- Never
- Once or Twice
- A few times
- Several times
- Many times

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Q3.8 What is your current annual pre-tax professional salary? [Exclude income from sources other than salary.]

- Under \$25,000
- \$25,000 - \$50,000
- \$50,000 - \$75,000
- \$75,000 - \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$125,000
- \$125,000 - \$150,000
- \$150,000-\$200,000
- \$200,000-\$250,000
- More than \$250,000
- Not sure
- Prefer not to say

Answer If Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate. Academic (including both teaching and administration) Is Selected Or Which of the following best describes your current (or, if not working: most recent) profession or occupation? Pick the one answer that seems most appropriate, even if approximate. Researcher Is Selected

Q3.9 Aside from your salary, please estimate your annual earnings from other work related to your role as an academic or related professional activity.

- None
- Under \$10,000
- \$10,000-\$20,000
- \$20,000-\$30,000
- \$30,000-\$50,000
- \$50,000-\$75,000
- \$75,000-\$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$125,000
- \$125,000 - \$150,000
- \$150,000-\$200,000
- \$200,000-\$250,000
- More than \$250,000
- Not sure
- Prefer not to say

Q4.1 Career Trajectory

Q4.2 Are you now seeking (additional) work, a different position or employment circumstance?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

Answer If Are you now seeking (additional) work, a different position or employment circumstance? Yes Is Selected

Q4.3 Would you consider a career outside of academia?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

Answer If Are you now seeking (additional) work, a different position or employment circumstance? Yes Is Selected

Q4.4 In which of the following fields would you consider pursuing a career? Please check all that apply

- Academia
- Primary or secondary education, Jewish
- Primary or secondary education, non-sectarian
- Higher education administration
- Think tank or research center work
- Museum work
- Publishing
- Foundation work
- Non-profit sector
- Jewish communal work
- Business sector
- Other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Q5.1 Associations and Affiliation

Q5.2 Are you or were you a member of ...

	Current member	Past member	No
The AJS (Association for Jewish Studies)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The ASSJ (Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q5.3 In which other academic or professional associations do you currently hold memberships (check all that apply)?

- American Academy of Arts and Sciences
- American Academy of Religion
- American Antiquarian Society
- American Anthropological Association
- American Association of Public Opinion Research
- American Comparative Literature Association
- American Economic Association
- American Folklore Society
- American Historical Association
- American Musicological Society
- American Philological Association
- American Philosophical Association
- American Philosophical Society
- American Political Science Association
- American Psychological Association
- American Sociological Association
- American Studies Association
- American Schools of Oriental Research
- American Sociological Association
- American Studies Association
- Archaeological Institute of America
- Association for the Sociology of Religion
- Bibliographical Society of America
- Economic History Association
- Israel Studies Association
- Linguistic Society of America
- Middle East Studies Association
- Modern Language Association
- National Association of Professors of Hebrew
- Organization of American Historians
- Religious Research Association
- Society of Biblical Literature
- Society for Cinema and Media Studies
- Society for the Social Scientific Study of Religion
- Other associations related to Jewish Studies, Enter: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other academic associations, Enter: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other professional associations, Enter: \_\_\_\_\_

Q6.1 Your Academic Training

Q6.2 Of the following, which is the highest degree you have earned?

- Ph.D.
- Other doctorate
- Masters
- B.A. or equivalent
- None of the above

Q6.3 In addition to the degree you may have checked above, what other graduate or professional degrees have you earned (if more than one, choose the one you see as most relevant for your current work):

- MA
- MBA
- MPA
- Law degree
- MSW
- M.L.S.
- Other Master's
- Rabbinical ordination
- Doctor of Divinity, D. Min.
- Other, please enter: \_\_\_\_\_



Q7.1 In which field or discipline did you earn your doctorate?

- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Archaeology
- Art History
- Bible
- Comparative Literature
- Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Education
- English Literature
- Folklore
- Gender/Women's Studies
- Hebrew Lang. & Lit. History
- Linguistics
- Music
- Near Eastern/Judaic Studies
- Performance Studies Philology
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Population Studies or Demography
- Psychology
- Rabbincs/Talmud
- Religion
- Romance Languages
- Sociology
- Other

Q7.2 In what year did you -- or will you -- receive your doctorate?

Q7.3 From which institution did you earn your doctorate?

Q7.4 Upon receipt of your Ph.D., did you seek a full-time, tenure-track academic position?

- Yes
- No, but I held one already
- No

Answer If Yes Is Selected Upon receipt of your Ph.D., did you seek a full-time, tenure-track&academic position?

Q7.5 How long following receiving your PhD did it take to secure a full-time, tenure-track academic position?

- Immediately found such a position
- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 – 6 years
- 7 or more years
- Am still seeking a full-time tenure-track academic position
- Other, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Q8.1 Demographic Profile

Q8.2

- Male
- Female

Q8.3 Your age :

- 18-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60-64
- 65-69
- 70+

Q8.5 About when do you plan on retiring? About ...

- Within next 2 years,
- 3-4 years,
- 5-9 years,
- 10-14 years,
- 15+ years,
- Not sure

Q8.6 Your country of residence:

- U.S.
- Canada
- Israel
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer If Your country of residence: U.S. Is Selected

Q8.7 Your residential zip code (first three digits only)?

Q8.8 What is your religious affiliation, if any?

- Jewish
- Protestant
- Catholic
- Eastern Orthodox
- Muslim
- Other religion, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- None

Answer If What is your religious affiliation, if any? None Is Selected

Q8.9 Aside from religion, do you consider yourself Jewish?

- Yes, Jewish
- Yes, partially Jewish
- No

Answer If What is your religious affiliation, if any? Jewish Is Selected Or Aside from religion, do you consider yourself Jewish? Yes, Jewish Is Selected Or Aside from religion, do you consider yourself Jewish? Yes, partially Jewish Is Selected

Q8.10 You most closely identify as:

- Conservative
- Orthodox
- Reconstructionist
- Reform
- Renewal
- Just Jewish
- Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Q8.11 In a few words, if you wish, please remark about one way in which your area of Jewish Studies has changed over the last few years.

Answer If 30. Are you or were you a member of ... The AJS (Association for Jewish Studies) - Current member Is Selected

Q8.12 As a learned society, the AJS engages in a variety of functions: advancing scholarship, professional development, connecting colleagues, advocating on behalf of Jewish Studies academicians and students, and related activities. Thinking of your own needs and interests, what would you like to put on the agenda of the AJS in the coming months and years?

Answer If 30. Are you or were you a member of ... The ASSJ (Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry) - Current member Is Selected

Q8.13 What would you like to put on the agenda of the ASSJ in the coming months and years?

Q8.14 Do you have any comments about any of your answers or this survey, or anything you'd like to add or explain?

Q75 Thank you! You have completed the survey. If you want to write me directly, please write to: [Steve34nyc@AOL.com](mailto:Steve34nyc@AOL.com) . Please click on the button below to submit your answers.