

**Professor JUDITH MELITA OKELY
CV**

**Emeritus Professor of Social Anthropology,
University of Hull**

Research Associate School of Anthropology, University of Oxford

UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

- 1971/76 INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY, OXFORD UNIVERSITY D.Phil.
in Social Anthropology (1977)
- 1969/70 NEWNHAM COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY Cert. in Social
Anthropology
- 1966/67 UNIVERSITY OF LONDON, GARNETT COLLEGE Cert. in Further Education
- 1961/65 ST. HILDA'S COLLEGE, OXFORD UNIVERSITY B.A. (Hons) Politics,
Philosophy and Economics (Prelims in French and Latin)
- 1961 LA SORBONNE, PARIS Diploma in French Civilisation and Degré Supérieur

EMPLOYMENT

2006/8 UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL part time professor

2004/8 UNIVERSITY OF BRUNEL Part time professor

1996 to 2004 UNIVERSITY OF HULL,

Established Chair in Social Anthropology,

1998, 1999, 2001, 2004 and 2007

Visiting Professor, CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY Budapest,. Hungary

- 1990/96 UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH, Department of Social Anthropology Lecturer, Reader, then Personal Chair.
- 1982/90 UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX, Lecturer in Social Anthropology, Department of Sociology.
- 1980 COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, Adviser and Consultant as part of the European Poverty Programme. Evaluation of research on nomadic and Gypsy populations in Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany and France.
- 1976/81 UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM, Lecturer, Department of Anthropology,
- 1970/73 CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, LONDON. Research Officer and Co-Author for a study of Gypsies and Government Policy, financed by the Rowntree Memorial Trust.
- 1968/69 OXFORD COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION, Lecturer in Social Studies and Social History.
- 1967/68 NORTH OXFORDSHIRE TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND SCHOOL OF ART, Lecturer in Social Science and French.
- 1966 DEPT. OF SOCIAL ADMINISTRATION, OXFORD University Research Officer for Professor H. Tajfel.
- 1965 NUFFIELD COLLEGE, OXFORD; Research Officer

DISTINCTIONS

- 1963 **First Woman Member of the Oxford Union**
- 1989 **The Phyllis Kaberry Memorial Lecture**, University of Oxford.
- 1995 Invited to address The Chinese Academy of Social Science and the Philosophy Summer School. Beijing,

- 1997 **Distinguished Lecture, Society for the Anthropology of Europe, American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C.**
- 2000/4 Editorial Board *Ethnos*
- 2006 **The 3rd Eric Wolf lecture**, sponsored by The International Research Centre for Cultural Studies, The Commission of Social Anthropology of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Vienna.
- 2008 **Expert Witness** in successful court case for the recognition of Scottish Travellers as an Ethnic Group
- 2009 Selected to address **the President of Finland** for the launch of the conference of the Gypsy Lore Society, Conference
- 2010 **Obi Igwara Memorial Lecture, ASEN, London School of Economics**
2011 Awarded **Medal** as a **‘World Scholar’** by the Faculty of Philosophy, University of West Bohemia, and the Seal of the City of Pilsen, Czech Republic.
- 2011 Interviewed as a **‘Pioneer of Qualitative Social Research’**; Economic and Social Data Service.

PRINCIPAL RESEARCH GRANTS

- 1973 Philip Bagby Award for anthropological research in an industrialised society.
- 1973/76 SSRC Postgraduate Grant.
- 1985/86 ESRC 'The Conditions and Experiences of Ageing Compared in Rural England and France.'
- 1994/5 ESRC Senior Research Fellowship
- 2007/9 Oxford University partner to Marie Curie EU initiative ‘Cross National approaches to Romany Studies’

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 1975 *Gypsies and Government Policy in England* (co-author) B Adams, J. Okely et al HEINEMANN EDUCATIONAL BOOKS.
- 1983 *The Traveller-Gypsies*, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS (Reprinted 1984, 1988, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1998, 1999, 2001. now digitally reproduced)
- 1986 *Simone de Beauvoir - a re-reading*, VIRAGO PIONEERS and PANTHEON USA.
- 1992 *Anthropology and Autobiography*, Co-Ed. with H Callaway, ROUTLEDGE. ASA Monograph.
- 1996 *Own or Other Culture*. ROUTLEDGE.
- 2007 *Identity and Networks :Fashioning Gender and Ethnicity across Cultures* eds D. F. Bryeson, J.Okely and J.Webber Oxford : BERGHAHN
- 200/8 *Knowing How to Know* (eds) N. Halstead, E. Hirsch and J.Okely BERGHAHN
- 2012 (In press) *Anthropological Practice: fieldwork and the ethnographic method*. Berg.

SELECT ARTICLES

(over 60 in journals and edited collections)

- 1978 'Privileged, Schooled, and Finished: Boarding Education for Girls' in *Defining Females*, Ed S Ardener, CROOM HELM.
- 1979 'Trading Stereotypes' Chapter one in *Ethnicity at Work*, ed. S. Wallman, MACMILLAN..
- 1986 'Fieldwork up the M1: Policy and Political Aspects'. Paper given to the 1985 ASA Conference, in *Anthropology at Home* Ed A Jackson, TAVISTOCK.

- 1989 'Social Anthropology is a generalising science or it is nothing'. in *The Group for Debates in Anthropological Theory*, MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY, ed T Ingold.
- 1990 'Clubs for le Troisième Age: Communitas or Conflict'. In *Anthropology and the Riddle of the Sphinx: Paradoxes of Change in the Life Course*, ed. P Spencer, ROUTLEDGE,
- 1991 'Defiant Moments: gender, resistance and individuals'. Phyllis Kaberry Memorial Lecture, Oxford. *Man* Vol 26 No 1 (3-22).
- 1992 'Anthropology and Autobiography: Participatory experience and embodied knowledge', Introduction to Okely and Callaway (eds) above. ROUTLEDGE
- 1994a) Contributor (50 anthropological entries) *The Concise Oxford Dictionary of Sociology*, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS ed. G Marshall.
- 1994b) 'Thinking through fieldwork' Chapter 1 in *Analysing Qualitative Data* eds R. Burgess and A. Bryman, ROUTLEDGE (Selected as key text Open University Reader).
- 1994 c) 'Vicarious and sensory knowledge of Chronology and Change: Ageing in Rural France', in *Social Experience and Anthropological Knowledge*, Eds K. Hastrup and P. Hervik, ROUTLEDGE.
- 1994 d) 'An Anthropological Perspective on Irish Travellers', Chapter 1. in *Irish Travellers: Culture and Ethnicity*, eds M McCann, S O'Siochain and J Runne, Institute of Irish Studies, Queens University of Belfast.
- 1996 'Picturing and Placing Constable Country'. in *Siting Culture*. (eds) K. Fog Olwig and K. Hastrup. ROUTLEDGE.
- 1997 'Some political and intellectual consequences of theories of Gypsy Ethnicity: the place of the Intellectual' in *After Writing Culture* eds. A. James, J. Hockey and A. Dawson. ROUTLEDGE.
- 2000 'Love, Care and Diagnosis' in *Extending the Boundaries of Care*, (eds) T. Kohn and R. Mckechnie, BERG.
- 2001 'Visualism and Landscape: Looking and Seeing in

- 2003a) 'The filmed Return of the Natives to a Territory of Terror'
Journal of Media Practice
- 2003b) 'Hybridity, Birthplace and Naming',
Journal of Mediterranean Studies
- 2005a) 'Age and Place in Rural France and England in *The Elderly Without Children: European and Asian Perspectives* (ed) P. Kreeger, Berg.
- 2005b) 'Gypsy Justice versus Gorgio Law; Interrelations of Difference'
Sociological Review Vol 53, no. 4, Nov.

Translated into French 2007 *Ethnologie Francaise* 'Grande Bretagne; anthropology at home'.
- 2007 a) 'Gendered Lessons in Ivory Towers' in *Identity and Networks: Fashioning Gender and Ethnicity across Cultures* eds D. F. Bryeson, J. Okely and J. Webber Berghahn
- 2007b) 'Fieldwork Embodied', in C. Shilling (ed) *Embodying Sociology; Retrospect, Progress and Prospects*, Oxford: Blackwell.
- 2008a) Debate with George Marcus 'How long should fieldwork be?' in *Social Anthropology*, Blackwell spring 2008
- 2008 b) 'Fieldwork as Free Association' in *Present Ethnography* eds H. Wulff and J. Mitchell Berghahn

2008c) 'Knowing without Notes' in *Knowing how to Know* eds. N. Halstead, E. Hirsch and J. Okely Berghahn.

2009 'Written Out and Written in: Inishkillane revisited' *The Irish Journal of Anthropology* vol 12 (2) .

2012 'The Isle of Wight as a site for English-British Identity' chapter 4 in J. Matthews and D. Travers (eds), *Islands and Britishness: A Global Perspective*, Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

NUMEROUS REPORTS for the EU, ESRC, Leverhulme

NUMEROUS Reviews, notes, letters- examples below

1982 'Rude Reception' Letter *The Times*, concerning correspondence (Aug. 14, 19 & 27) on Women, Gentlemens' Clubs and the Oxford Union, Sept. 9th, p. 9.

2001 'When you're old who cares?' (CJD and the aged) *Times Higher Education Supplement*, January.

MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES (relevant to Research etc)

1976 Minority Rights Group representative to the Cripps Report on Gypsies
1977/78 Adviser to the Dept. of Environment Committee on Travellers.
1977/82 The Labour Party Sub-Committee on Human Rights.
1982/83 The Advisory Committee for the Education of Romany and other Travellers (ACERT). Chaired by Lady Plowden.
1989 Co-Convenor of the ASA 1989 Annual Conference 'Anthropology and Autobiography'.
1989 Committee to set up Human Rights Centre, University of Essex.
1991 Advisor to the Scottish Traveller Education Project financed by the Scottish Education Office.
1991/4, 2011/12 Council Member Royal Anthropological Institute R.A.I .
1995/99 Elector to the William Wyse Professorship of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge.
2005/to present Member of RAI Education Committee for Advanced level Anthropology

POSTGRADUATE PH.D. SUPERVISION of over 20 students with fieldwork in/among:

Iceland, the Sinae Desert Egypt, former Yugoslavia, Durham miners, Turkey, Spain, Kenya, Edinburgh, Island and Urban Greece, Saudi Arabia, Quebec, Paris, Malta, Algerian migrants in France, Rural India and Metropolitan UK.

EXTERNAL EXAMINER

For over 25 phds in the UK, USA, Australia, and External Examiner for entire degrees for undergraduates and masters Manchester, Glasgow, SOAS and UEL.

INVITED PAPERS AT UNIVERSITIES, SYMPOSIA, CONGRESSES,

Outside the U.K:

Gothenburg, Amsterdam, Toulouse, Calcutta, Bombay (IIT), Paris, Trondheim, Oslo,

Heidelberg, Beijing, Madrid, Copenhagen, Gothenburg, Sweden, Jyväskylä in Finland, Budapest, Lund, Malta, Tromsø, Turku, Leipzig, Vienna, Northampton, USA., Geneva, Stockholm, Krakow, Warsaw in Poland, Helsinki, Egerton university, Kenya, Berlin, Pilsen, the Czech Republic.

Within the U.K: Brunel, Cardiff, Sussex, Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh, Stirling,

St. Andrews, Newcastle, Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham, Reading, Swansea, Kent, Lancaster, University of East Anglia, Belfast, Surrey, London inter-collegiate,

University College London, Nottingham, Sheffield, Leeds, Middlesex

Oxford Brookes, the LSE and School of Oriental and African

Studies, Napier University, University of East London, Buckingham, Bristol.