

HBA Platform statement

Candidate Bio:

Catherine Panter-Brick is Professor of Anthropology, Health, and Global Affairs at Yale University, where she directs the [Program on Conflict, Resilience, and Health](#) and the [Program on Stress and Family Resilience](#). She works on risk and resilience in contexts of poverty, famine, war and forced displacement, to extend scientific understanding on issues related to human nutrition, infant growth, physical activity, reproduction, stress physiology, and mental health. She also works to develop effective partnerships between scholars, practitioners, and policy-makers, most recently in the area of refugee health. She has conducted fieldwork in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, the Gambia, Jordan, Mexico, Nepal, Niger, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Tanzania and the UK, and received the Lucy Mair Medal for anthropological research in humanitarian areas. She promotes global, interdisciplinary science in her role as senior editor for *Social Science & Medicine*, and actively supports student life as a Head of College at Yale. She has been a member of the HBA for some 25 years.

Platform Statement:

Like many of you, I first joined our Association as a student member. I vividly remember my first HBA meeting: having traveled to the US for the first time, I felt welcomed by a remarkably friendly group of people! In 2002, I served on the International Committee, seeking to promote Human Biology as an international science and develop networks with sister societies worldwide. I now would like to extend my commitment to the HBA and return some of the warm welcome that shaped my international academic experience. I want to see active mentoring in our professional organization, and seek your vote to serve the HBA. Since moving academic institutions, from the UK to the US, I have been very involved in global interdisciplinary work, the integration of field-based and lab-based research, the support of student university life, and the building of partnerships relevant to research and policy. It is an honor to have been nominated to run as President-Elect - thank you for your support.