

Professor Andrew Norton

B.Sc. (Hons) "Physics with Astrophysics" 1st class, Leicester University (1985)

Ph.D. "Galactic X-ray Astronomy with EXOSAT" Leicester University (1988)

Roles:

Professor of Astrophysics Education,
Department of Physical Sciences, OU
(2013-)

Senior Lecturer in Astrophysics,

Department of Physics and Astronomy, OU (1999-2013)

Lecturer in Astrophysics, Department of Physics, OU (1992-1999)

Research Fellow, Department of Physics and Astronomy, U. Southampton (1988-1992)

Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Astronomical Review*, Taylor & Francis Publishers (2015-)

Other Open University roles:

SEPNet Academic Outreach Officer and Coordinator (2013-2015);

Associate Programme Director for Physics and Astronomy & Planetary Science (2008-2014);

Departmental Director of External Relations (2003-2006);

Curriculum Director for Astronomy and Planetary Science (1999-2003);

Director of Research for the Physics and Astronomy Department (1998-2001).

I serve on the STFC Advisory Panel for Public Engagement

I am Director of the OU's George Abell Observatory.

Professional memberships:

Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society.

Former Council Member and former Vice President of the Society. Member of Diversity Committee.

Fellow of the Institute of Physics

Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy.

Member of the International Astronomical Union

(Division C - Education, Outreach and Heritage: Commission C2 - Communicating Astronomy with the Public;

Division F - Planetary Systems and Bioastronomy: Commission F2 - Exoplanets and the Solar



System;

Division G - Stars and Stellar Physics: Commission G1 - Binary and Multiple Star Systems).

STEMNET Ambassador and **Public Engagement Ambassador** for the National Co-ordinating Centre for Public Engagement

Awards:

Research: The **Royal Astronomical Society Group Achievement Award** (2010) as part of the SuperWASP consortium.

Teaching: An **Open University Teaching Award** (2010) for "outstanding contributions to the teaching of astronomy and astrophysics, particularly through the use of innovative materials and methods."

Public Engagement: A **SEPnet Public Engagement Award** (2015), "Highly Commended" in the Achievement category, for my extensive body of public engagement.