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DOCTORAL SUPERVISOR PROFILE



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Duty time: Monday, 10:00–12:00 A.M., Room 206a

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My current research interest focus on the holistic human development incl. sociomoral cognition, self & intercorporeality. I draw research methodologies from a number of interrelated disciplines, such as ethics, medical anthropology, phenomenology, medical humanities, and cognitive–developmental psychology. I am strongly working on an efficient interface between philosophy and life sciences and collaborate with researchers from international milieu.

MOST RECENT & RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- (2017/8) "Strengthening somatic selves" (monograph, in prep.)
- (2013) "Experimental ethics. A multidisciplinary approach" (monograph, LIT Publishers).
- (2015) "Kohlberg Revisited" (co-edited with B. Zizek & D. Garz, Sense Publishers)

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- (2017) "Ustrój cielesny w doświadczeniu podmiotowym i międzypodmiotowym: zrozumieć fenomen allotransplantacji". *Filozofia i Nauka* (in press).
- (2017) " Organismus und Freiheit. Philosophie des Lebens und Ethik der Lebenswissenschaften Organizm i wolność. Filozofia życia i etyka nauk o życiu" (co-authored with Roberto Franzini). Filozofia i Nauka (in press).
- (2016) "Jaźń jako pacjent chroniczny: psycho- i neuroenhancement w świetle humanistyki medycznej". In J. Warmbier (Ed) *Spór o podmiotowość perspektywa interdyscyplinarna*. Kraków, pp. 207-224.
- (2016) "Examining the dialogical principle in Marek Siemek's legacy". *Dialogue & Universalism,* Vol. 2, pp. 157–180. Italian: "Il «principio dialogico» nell'eredità di Marek Siemek". *Lessico di etica publicca,* vol. 1(2016), pp. 42–59.
- (2016) "Ciała w glorii. Z antropologicznego archiwum estetyzacji". *Estetyka i Krytyka* (in press).
- (2016) "Ewolucja i osobliwość. Pojęcie prawa u E. Levinasa". *Principia* (in press).
- (2016) "Poznając Innego: perspektywizm społeczny i jego znaczenie w etyce". *Etyka* (in press).
- (2016) "Meditteranean Drama: Examining Moral and Legal Prerequisites of Hospitality after Derrida" (in press)
- (2016) "Linking Moral Competence and Hospitability" (co-authored with M. Steć). (in press).

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECT

In 2016–2017 I manage two interrelated research projects. The first one was conducted at Cornell University (Ithaca, NY, powered by TKF) at which I was developing multidisciplinary research methods incl. experimental ones to examine how 'enhanced' persons experience the impact of technologies on their embodiment, selves, and identities. Most efficient methods and research instruments are drawn from new phenomenology, philosophy of mind, anthropology, narrative & responsibility theory, medical humanities. Two studies on *refugee-condition* and *hospitality* belong are side-effects of that project. The second research project is supported by National Science Centre. It contains several research tasks incl. construction of selfhood/identity model in extended, both intercorporeal and technological context. A doctoral work group "Somatics" (Wintersemester 2016/7) allows me to disseminate and discuss my research findings with doctoral students. Advanced research may facilitate their own development as young reseachers in related areas. I am working at the Institute of Philosophy (in Chair of Ethics position).

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DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN COLLABORATION AREA

IN ALL AREAS MENTIONED ABOVE, I AM INVOLVED IN COLLABORATION WITH PEER RESEARCHERS WORLDWIDE, WORKING AT UNIVERSITIES OF BERLIN, BERN, CORNELL, CENTRAL FLORIDA, COTTBUS, CRACOW, GUANGZHOU, HAMBURG, KONSTANZ, LEUVEN, ŁÓDŹ, MAINZ, ST. PETERSBURG, RIO CUARTE, SIEGEN, TORINO, WARSAW, VILNIUS, ETC. BEING A DOCTORAL STUDENT, IT MIGHT BE SUPPORTIVE TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOLS, COLATERAL PROJECTS, AND INTERNSHIPS.

DOCTORAL THESIS TOPICS PROPOSED

- Origins of embodied self & psychosomatics
- Medical Humanities: Bridging the gap between philosophy and life sciences
- Hans Jonas: Philosophical instruments for thinking biotechnologies revisited (internship at Jonas–Archive possible and recommended)
- Corporeality, intercorporeality, transcorporeality
- Interiority & exteriority: phenomenological approaches
- Cross-cultural body, somatechnics, somaesthetics
- Allotransplant as personal and interpersonal experience (cross-disciplinary, critical study)
- Face transplant
- Body representation/image and body schema. Can they evolve along with changing perception and experience?
- iProsthetics and implantology: beyond trichotomy of flesh, living body, and psyche
- "My soul is not me": Linking body and soul with Aquinas and beyond
- Jewish anthropology and bioethics
- Contemporary theories of selfhood: a critical approach (narrative vs. episodic self)
- Thinking technology from an anthropological perspective (Gehlen, Plessner)
- Moral competence & cognition (cross-disciplinary study incl. MCT based research)
- Responsiveness and dialogue
- Hospitality & asylum as values and rights (across cultures)
- Educating moral, discurse, and democratic competences for demanding professions

EXPECTATIONS FOR APPLICANTS

PhD candidates can be of all nationalities. They are to be an active English (or German) speakers able to immediately start research and participation in meetings. Further benefits may follow (for ex. co-editing papers). Basic orientation towards the topic is required. You don't need to be a

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Graduate of Philosophy to apply for Doctoral Studies and to become a successful Doctoral Student. Your research project must expressly refer to one of the topics catalogued above. Primary source material inquiry comes first. Realistic research schedule would be helpful to find a corresponding grant program for you. If you need preliminary advices, don't hesitate to contact me as soon as possible (by the end of April at the latest): ewanowak@amu.edu.pl The same applies for post-docs interested in collaboration.

To apply for admission in Doctoral Studies, you need:

- A research project (length: 3 pages) in Polish, English, or German
- Application letter
- References (edited by your Master Tutor or other Professor, or co-author of publications)
- CV
- Your Master Thesis summary (length: 2 pages)
- At least one publication/paper/chapter copy attached
- Going contact details (Phone, E-mail address, Postal Address)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT DOCTORAL SUPERVISOR

I have 20 years of experience in academic research incl. 8 years spent on German, Swiss, Austrian, and American Universities. I specialise in working with small teams, one-to-one, or on an individual basis. I am able to work with you in Polish, English, and German (with passive understanding of Latin-originating languages). I have wide experience in academic writing, books and journals edition, and translation in all those languages. Over years, my research area expanded. I am able to use multidisciplinary research methods. It enables me to conduct compex, innovative studies, and to foster other persons in their self-development as a competent and independent researcher. You will be fostered as a grant and internship applicant.