

# MARIANNA SZCZYGIELSKA

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## EDUCATION

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- Sep 2011 – May 2017 **Ph.D. in Comparative Gender Studies**, graduated with Distinction;  
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary  
Thesis title: *Queer(ing) Naturecultures. The Study of Zoo Animals*  
Supervisor: Hadley Z. Renkin  
Committee: Eva Hayward, Nigel Rothfels, Hyaesin Yoon  
GPA: 4.0/4.0
- Sep 2009 – Jun 2010 **M.A. in Gender Studies**, graduated with Distinction;  
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary  
Thesis title: *Becoming (with) Animal Others: Is the Anthropological Machine Set up in the Zoo?*  
GPA: 3.97/4.0
- Sep 2004 – Jun 2009 **M.A. in Philosophy**, graduated with Distinction;  
Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland  
Thesis title: *Ethics of Responsibility in the Face of Environmental Risks*  
Cumulative grade: 5.0/5.0

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- Sep 2018 – Aug 2021 **Postdoctoral Fellow**  
Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Department III Artifacts, Action, Knowledge. Berlin, Germany.
- Jan 2018 – Aug 2018 **Postdoctoral Researcher**  
Czech Academy of Science, Institute of Ethnology and CEFRES French Research Center in Humanities and Social Sciences. Prague, Czech Republic.
- Sep 2017 – Jun 2018 **Visiting Lecturer**  
Central European University, Department of Gender Studies.
- Sep 2015 – Jun 2016 **Visiting Scholar**  
Linköping University, Tema Genus, Sweden.  
Supervisor: Jami Weinstein.
- Jun 2015 – Jun 2015 **Research Fellow**  
Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT, USA.  
Supervisors: Kari Weil and Lori Gruen.
- Aug 2013 – Jan 2014 **Visiting Scholar**  
York University in the Faculty of Environmental Studies, Toronto, Canada.  
Supervisor: Catriona Sandilands.

## AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

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- 2017: Best Dissertation Award, CEU, 1500 €.  
2014: Award for Advanced Doctoral Students, CEU, 800 €.  
2012: Academic Achievement Award for First-Year Doctoral Student, CEU, 500 €.  
2010: Outstanding Academic Achievement Excellence Award, CEU.  
2009: Dean's Award, Adam Mickiewicz University.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Szczygielska, M., "Jedząc kebab... Zwierzęta i zwierzęcość a islamofobia," ["Eating a kebab... Animals/Animality and Islamophobia."] *Praktyka Teoretyczna*, 4(26)/2017: 238-248.
- Szczygielska, M., "Hyenas and Hormones: Transpecies Encounters and the Traffic in HumAnimals," *Angelaki: Journal of Theoretical Humanities*, Vol. 22 (2), April 2017: 61-84.
- Szczygielska, M., "Animals Off Display," *UnderCurrents: Journal of Critical Environmental Studies*, Special issue "From Queer/Nature to Queer Ecologies: Celebrating twenty years of scholarship and creativity," Vol.19/2015: 53-57.
- Szczygielska, M., "Posthumanizm: dzień po rewolucji," *Czas Kultury* 2015/1 (184): 140-147.
- Szczygielska, M., "Transbiological Re-imaginings of the Modern Self and the Nonhuman: Zoo Animals as Transbiological Entities," *Identities: Journal for Politics, Gender and Culture*, Vol. 10(2) Winter 2013: 101-110.
- Szczygielska, M., "Technologically Assisted Life. Between Biopolitics and Thanatopolitics," *Annali di studi religiosi* Vol. 12/2011: 71-86.
- Szczygielska, M., "The Wall Falls – What Next? How to Create New Relations Between the Human World and the Animal World", *HOMO COMMUNICATIVUS Philosophy- Communication Language Culture*, Vol. 1(3)/2008: 129-136.

### BOOK CHAPTERS IN EDITED COLLECTIONS

- (Forthcoming) Szczygielska, M., "Pandas and the Reproduction of Race and Sexuality in the Zoo," (eds.) McDonald, T. and Vandersommers, D., *Zoo Studies and a New Humanities*, McGill-Queen's University Press, 2019.
- Szczygielska, M., "Zoos" (ed.) Salazar Parreñas, J., *Gender: Animals Macmillan Interdisciplinary Handbooks*. Farmington Hills: Macmillan Reference USA, 2017: 247-262.
- Szczygielska, M., "The heroines of sustainable development. Gender and sustainable development in a critical perspective", in *Proceedings from the international conference Equality, Growth & Sustainability. Do they mix?*, (ed.) A. Fogelberg Eriksson, Linköping University, 2010:135-42.

### EDITORIALS

- (In prep.) Cielemecka O. and **Szczygielska, M.** (eds.), "Plantarium: Human-Vegetal Ecologies." Special issue of *Catalyst: Feminism, Theory, and Technoscience*, Fall 2019.
- Steinbock, E., **Szczygielska, M.** & Wagner, A. (eds.), "Thinking Linking," Special issue on "Tranimacies: Intimate Links between Affect, Animals, and Trans\* Studies"; *Angelaki: Journal of the Theoretical Humanities*, Vol. 22(2), April 2017: 1-10.
- Nitis, M., **Szczygielska, M.**, & Stark, W. (eds.), "The Conditions of Praxis: Theory and Practice in Activism and Academia," *Graduate Journal of Social Science*, Vol. 10 (3), September 2013: 8-13.

### BOOK REVIEWS

- Szczygielska, M., "Viewing the World Through the American Zoo," a review of *The Animal Game. Searching for Wildness at the American Zoo*. by Daniel E. Bender in: *Diplomatic History*. Oxford University Press, September 2018, Vol. 42(4): 740-743.
- Szczygielska, M., "The Bittersweet Dimensions of Racial Mattering" a review of *Habeas Viscus: Racializing Assemblages, Biopolitics, and Black Feminist Theories of the Human*. by Alexander G. Weheliye in: *Parallax*, November 2015, Vol. 21(4): 462-465.
- Szczygielska, M., *Cloning Wild Life. Zoos, Captivity, and the Future of Endangered Animals*. by Carrie Friese in *Pulse: A History, Sociology & Philosophy of Science Journal*, September 2014, Vol. 2(1): 96-99.
- Szczygielska, M., *The Queer Art of Failure*. by Judith Jack Halberstam in *Graduate Journal of Social Science*, July 2012, Vol. 9(2): 235-239.

## TRANSLATIONS

Translation of Bruno Latour's article "Politics of nature: East and West perspectives" from English to Polish, *Recykling Idei*, Vol. 15/2013.

Translation of Rokhaya Diallo's article "The origins and current manifestations of anti-black racism" in *Recykling Idei*, Vol. 14/2013.

Translation of Arlie Hochschild's article "The Back Stage of a Global Free Market. Nannies and Surrogates" from English to Polish, in *Recykling Idei*, Vol. 13/2012.

## OUTREACH

Szczygielska, M. "Captive breeding has a dark side – as disturbing Czech discovery of trafficked tiger body parts highlights," *The Conversation*. November 26, 2018.

Szczygielska, M. "Wild Boars and Family Values in Poland." *Bewildering Boar Blog*. June 2018.

Qubaia, A. and **Szczygielska, M.**, "Feral Interview. A Conversation with Eva Hayward and Jack Halberstam," An Audio Podcast, March 2018.

Cielemecka O. and **Szczygielska, M.**, "Vegetal Ecologies," in *New Materialism Almanac 2016*.

Szczygielska, M., "Panda hyres!", transl. Jenny Jarloddotter Wikström, *Astra* 4/2014, pp. 40-45. (in Swedish).

Szczygielska, M. and Varga Z., "Zoo stories: history of animal collections in Eastern Europe"research blog.

## FUNDING

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### EXTERNAL

2017: Short Term Academic Mission. University of Vienna, Faculty of Social Sciences. Source: COST Action IS1307, 2 000 €

2016–17: The Seed Box. A Mistra-Formas Environmental Humanities Collaboratory Seed Grant; Source: Mistra: the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Environmental Research, 10 000 €

2015–16: Visby Scholarship for Doctoral Students; Source: The Swedish Institute, 123 300 €

2015: The Human-Animal Studies Fellowship, Source: Feminist Animal Studies fellowship in honor of Marti Kheel, Wesleyan University, 2 000 €

2014: InterGender PhD travel grant, Source: the Swedish Research Council.

2013: InterGender PhD travel grant, Source: the Swedish Research Council.

2012: InterGender PhD travel grant, Source: the Swedish Research Council.

2010: Science for Development Assistance Grant. Source: Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 730 €

2010: NOISE Summer School Partner Grant, Source: EU Live Long Learning Programme, 250 €

2006–07: Socrates-Erasmus Programme Scholarship Studies at the University of Valencia, Spain.

### INTERNAL

2016: Write-up Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 4 300 €.

2016: Travel Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 265 €.

2015: Summer School Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 1 300 €.

2011–14: Full CEU Doctoral Fellowship, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 70 000€.

2014: Travel Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 150 €.

2013: Doctoral Research Support Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 4 200 €.

2013: Travel Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 450 €.

2010: Travel Grant, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 150 €.

2009–10: CEU Master's Fellowship, Source: CEU Budapest Foundation, 13 600 €.

## SELECTED CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIUMS

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- *Transnational Conceptions of Nature and Ecology*, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science. Berlin, Dec. 7, 2018.
- *10th European Feminist Research Conference "Difference, Diversity, Diffraction: Confronting Hegemonies and Dispossession"* Georg-August-University Göttingen, Sept 12-15, 2018.
- *Politics of Natural History. How to Decolonize the Natural History Museum?* Berlin, Sept 6-7, 2018.
- *(Un)Common Worlds. Human-Animal Studies Conference*. University of Turku, Finland, Aug 7-9, 2018.
- *Staged Otherness. Human Oddities in Central and Eastern Europe, c. 1850–1939*. The Institute of Art, Polish Academy of Sciences. Warsaw, October 25-27, 2017.
- *Dialoguing 'Between the Posts'. Post-socialist and post-/decolonial perspectives on domination, hierarchy and resistance in South-Eastern Europe*. Centre for Comparative Conflict Studies at the Faculty of Media and Communications. Belgrade, Serbia, September 22-23, 2017.
- *New Materialisms on the Crossroads of the Natural and Human Sciences*. COST Action workshop at the Rachel Carson Center, LMU Munich, September 14-15. 2017.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the New Materialisms *Environmental Humanities and New Materialisms: The Ethics of Decolonizing Nature and Culture*. UNESCO, Paris, France, June 7-9, 2017.
- *Zoo Studies and a New Humanities* workshop. McMaster University, Hamilton (ON), Dec 2-3, 2016.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the New Materialisms, *Performing Situated Knowledges: Space, Time, Vulnerability*. Warsaw, Poland, September 21-23, 2016.
- COST Training School *From Cosmos to Genes: New Materialist Methodologies Across the Humanities, Natural and Technosciences*. Charles University, Prague, Aug 23-26, 2016.
- *10<sup>th</sup> European Society for Literature, Science and the Arts Conference*. Stockholm, Jun14-17, 2016.
- *Queer Art of (Political) Protest: Resistance and Re-existence in Inconvenient Spaces*. Centre for Women's and Gender Research (SKOK), University of Bergen, Norway, March 5-6, 2015.
- *Excitable Writing. Trans\_forming academia\_art\_activism through intersectional trans\_versal, trans\_feminist politics of performativity*. Linköping University, Sweden, December 8-10, 2014.
- *Life Matters: Affect, Sex, and Control Conference*. Linköping University, Sweden, May 26-28, 2014.
- *Animals and Their People. The Fall of the Anthropocentric Paradigm?* International Academic Conference. Warsaw, Poland, March 12-14, 2014.
- *Theorizing Queer Temporalities*. InterGender PhD Course, University of Gothenburg, Jan 16-18, 2014.
- *Queer Method*. University of Pennsylvania, USA, October 31 – November 1, 2013.
- Somatechnics International Conference: *Missing Links: The Somatechnics of Decolonisation*. Linköping University, Sweden, June 17-19, 2013.
- *Fourth International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Emotional Geographies*. University of Groningen, The Netherlands, July 1-3, 2013.
- *Kinship, Kinning, and Cultural Representation*. InterGender PhD Course. Uppsala, Feb 20-22, 2013.
- *The fluidity and contestability of gender and sexuality*. Gender in English Studies International Symposium, Szczecin University, Poland, October 19-21, 2012.
- *Queer / Animal* – a one-day symposium. King's College, London, UK, June 8, 2012.
- *The Politics of Location Revisited*. 8<sup>th</sup> European Feminist Research Conference. CEU May 17-20, 2012.
- *Life Matters: Microlife, Species, and Extinction*. InterGender PhD Course, Linköping, May 2-4, 2012.
- *Reconfiguring the 'Human'/'Animal: Binary – Resisting Violence*. The 2nd Annual European Conference for Critical Animal Studies, Prague, Czech Republic, October 15-16, 2011.
- *Understanding Development and Underdevelopment*. Graduate seminar. Ciężarówka, May 25-28, 2011.
- *Gendered Ways of Knowing? Gender, Natural Sciences and Humanities*. Interdisciplinary Congress, Trento, Italy, December 1-4, 2010.
- *Equality, Sustainability, Growth – Do They Mix?* Conference. Linköping University, Nov 25-26, 2010.
- NOISE Summer School: *Performing European Feminist Futures: 1968 & 1989*. Granada, Aug17-28, 2010.

- Feminist Critical Analysis: *(Re)Mapping the Everyday through Visual Culture*. Conference at the Inter-University Center, Dubrovnik, Croatia, May 17-21, 2010.
- *Sustainability and Contemporary Art: Art, Post-Fordism and Eco-Critique*. International Symposium and Workshop at Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, March 19-20, 2010.
- *Quality in Gender + Equality Policies*. Conference at CEU, Budapest, Hungary, Oct 2-3, 2009.
- *Facing the Future: Climate Summit in Copenhagen and Beyond*. Conference at CEU, Nov 4, 2009.
- *Gender Justice in Times of a Changing Climate*. International Conference, Poznań, Poland, Dec 2008.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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- Affiliated Researcher of the Seed Box: A Mistra-Formas Environmental Humanities Collaboratory based at Linköping University, Sweden.
- Working Group 5: "Integration of knowledge and communication of results, training" of ASF-STOP COST Action 15116.
- Environmental Arts and Humanities Initiative, CEU, Hungary.
- GEXcel International Collegium for Advanced Transdisciplinary Gender Studies. Co-chair of the "Trans Ecologies" research strand.
- The Posthumanities Hub, Linköping University, Sweden.
- Somatechnics Research Network, University of Arizona, Tucson.
- Working Group 2: "New Materialisms on the Crossroads of the Natural and Human Sciences" of New Materialism: Networking European Scholarship on 'How Matter Comes to Matter,' COST Action IS1307.
- "New Tools for Transnational Analysis in Postgraduate Intersectional Gender Research—Towards Long-Term International Collaborations in Doctoral and Postdoctoral Training" funded by The Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher Education (STINT).

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- 2018: Researcher for the project "Bewildering Boar: Changing Cosmopolitics of the Hunt in Europe and Beyond" within the TANDEM program of The Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS), Charles University and CEFRES/CNRS.
- 2017-18: Researcher for the project "The gender politics of backsliding in Central and Eastern Europe" as part of the *TransCrisis: Enhancing the EU's Transboundary Crisis Management Capacities: Strategies for Multi-Level Leadership* project. Funding: Horizon 2020 Program.
- 2008: Researcher for the project "Occupational activity of the inhabitants of Janikowo, Rojewo, and Dąbrowa Biskupia communities." Co-financed by the European Union Social Fund. Nicolaus Copernicus University.

## TEACHING AND ADVISING EXPERIENCE

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Spring 2018 – Present

### Graduate Advisor

*Central European University, Department of Gender Studies*

- Mentored two graduate students on their MA projects and served on their dissertation committees.
- Served as an external examiner for one MA student.

Mar–Aug 2018

### Lecturer

*University of Graz, Coordination Centre for Gender Studies and Equal Opportunities*

- Designed and taught an MA level course "Queer Ecologies: Gender, Sexuality, and the Environment."

- Sep–Dec 2017 **Lecturer**  
*Central European University, Department of Gender Studies*
- Designed and taught an MA level course “Queer Ecologies: Gender, Sexuality, and the Environment.”
- Jan 24<sup>th</sup> 2017 **Guest lecture**  
*Central European University, Department of Philosophy*
- Delivered a lecture “Between Science and Show: Human Zoos in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries” together with Zsuzsanna Varga, as part of the *Topics in the Philosophy of the Human and Social Sciences* lecture series.
- Jan 21<sup>st</sup> 2016 **Guest lecture and seminar session**  
*Karlstad University, Centre for Gender Studies, Sweden*
- Delivered a lecture and a seminar session in the undergraduate program *Delkurs 4, Kropp, Kultur och Ideologi: Transgender Embodiment and Trans Studies*.
- Sep 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015 **Guest lecture and seminar session**  
*Linköping University, Tema Genus, Sweden*
- Delivered a lecture and a seminar session in *Theories and Methodologies*, Master Programme: Gender Studies in Intersectionality and Change.
- Dec 8-10, 2014 **Workshop leader**  
*Linköping University, Tema Genus, Sweden*
- Designed and run a workshop “The Margins Manifesto Lab: Between Species and Genres” at the *Excitable Writing* conference.
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 **Guest lecturer**  
*Kvinnofolkhögskolan in Gothenburg, Sweden*
- Delivered a course on *Posthumanism and feminism* for undergraduate students.
- Jan – Apr 2013 **Teaching assistant**  
*Central European University, Department of Gender Studies*
- MA level course by Dr. Anna Loutfi *Introduction to History and Sociology of Science*.
- Feb– Jun 2011 **Lecturer**  
*Adam Mickiewicz University, Department of Social Sciences*
- Designed and taught a BA level course *Political and Social Philosophy*.

## **SERVICE TO THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY**

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- Co-organizer of the “Feral Incursions” workshop. Central European University, May 11-12, 2018.
- Peer reviewer for *Adeptus, Etyka*, and *Humanimalia: A Journal of Human/Animal Interface Studies*, 2018.
- Organizer of lecture and debate with Zeb Tortorici (NYU) “Sins Against Nature: Sex and Archives in Colonial New Spain,” Central European University, June 15, 2017.
- Co-organizer of a panel discussion “Making Families Great Again? Intersectional Perspectives on the Global Right’s Gendered Politics,” Central European University, May 29, 2017.
- Coordinator of the Tema Genus Higher Seminar Series, Linköping University, 2015-2016.
- Peer reviewer for *NORMA: International Journal for Masculinity Studies*, 2016.
- Peer reviewer for *UnderCurrents: Journal of Critical Environmental Studies*, 2013.
- Peer reviewer for the *Graduate Journal for Social Science*, 2012.
- Peer reviewer for *Journal of Comparative Research in Anthropology and Sociology Compaso*, 2011.

## **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

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- National Programme Coordinator at Campaign Against Homophobia; JUST/2013/FRC/AG/6163 Project: “Accommodating the needs of the victims of homophobic and transphobic hate crimes”; Funded by the European Commission (budget over 600 000 €); Warsaw, Poland Jan–Aug, 2015.
- Co-organizer of the 5<sup>th</sup> European Transgender Council (TGUE) in Budapest, May 1-4, 2014.
- Coordinator of the KLIT project – a safer space for women and trans\* persons in Budapest, funded by FRIDA The Young Feminist Fund. 2011-2014.
- Coordinator of the *Recykling Idei Discussion Club* by the Association for Independent Media and Social Education. Poland, February 2011 – June 2011.
- Voluntary work at The 14<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). Also participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> Session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol. Poznań, Poland, December 1-12, 2008.
- Co-organizer of the 6<sup>th</sup> Film Festival WATCH DOCS: Human Rights in Film, organized by the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights. Poznań, Leszno, Gniezno, Poland, April 15-18, 2008.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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- Invited speaker at a panel discussion “Gender research under pressure: consequences for research communication?” organized by Kilden genderresearch.no, September 14, 2018.
- Invited public lecture “Ogród (nie)ludzkich spotkań. Reforma ZOO w obliczu Antropocenu.” Muzeum Sztuki in Łódź (Poland), April 10, 2018.
- Invited speaker at a discussion “Feminism in Central and Eastern Europe” at TRANSATLANTYK Film Festival Poznań, August 2013.
- Invited participant of the AWID Young Feminist Activism (YFA) Program e-discussion on “Effective Multigenerational Organizing”, June 11-13, 2013.
- Invited participant at the Global Meeting of LGBTI Youth Organizations on the Post 2014/2015 Agenda, Mexico City, February 27 – March 1, 2013.
- Member of the Women’s Association KONSOLA. Poznań, Poland, 2010–2015.
- Cooperation with Human Rights Initiative at Central European University; Budapest, 2010–2014.

## **LANGUAGES**

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- Polish: native.
- English: fluent speaking, reading, writing.
- Spanish: intermediate speaking, reading, basic writing.