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## A. WORK AND EDUCATION:

### WORK:

- **Adam Mickiewicz University – from 09/01/2010:**

Position: Assistant Professor, specialization: metaethics, action theory.

- **University of California, Davis – 09/01/2012–03/31/2013**

Position: Fulbright Senior Advanced Research Scholar, specialization: action theory.

### EDUCATION:

#### **Adam Mickiewicz University (2001-2010):**

- **Ph.D. in philosophy – June 7th 2010 (*cum laude*/with honors)**

Dissertation: “Status of Goodness and Duty in Contemporary Naturalistic Ethics”. Supervisor: Prof. Tadeusz Buksiński (AMU). Committee: Prof. Marcin Poreba (University of Warsaw), Prof. Ewa Nowak (AMU)

- **B.A. in classical philology – 2006**

Thesis: “Aristotle’s DYNAMIS. From the *Philosophia Prima* to the Practical Philosophy. The Role and Meaning of the Concept of Capacity in Aristotle”. Supervisor: Prof. Marian Wesoły (AMU). Advisor: Prof. Jerzy Danielewicz (AMU);

- **M.A. in philosophy – 2005**

Thesis: “The Concept of Autonomy and Morality. The Problem of Structure of ‘Integrative Ethics’ in Hans Krämer’s Theory”. Supervisor: Prof. Tadeusz Buksiński (AMU). Advisor: Prof. Barbara Kotowa (AMU);

## B. AOC:

- Metaethics,
- Praxiology,
- Pragmatism and neopragmatism,
- Normative naturalistic ethics, neo-Aristotelian virtue ethics,
- Practical philosophy of Aristotle, Hume, Kant, and Fichte
- Philosophical theories of intersubjectivity;

## C. AOI, INSPIRATIONS:

- Action theory,
- Intentionality and intentions
- Cognitive psychology,
- Management science (esp. organization science);

## D. LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY:

- English (*advanced professional proficiency*),
- German, French, Italian (*limited working proficiency*),
- Ancient Greek and Latin (*working proficiency*)
- Polish (*native*);

## E. RESEARCH PROJECTS:

1. 08.2012-08.2015: “Theories of Reasons for Action. A Possibility of Application to the Management Sciences”, Polish National Science Center Grant UMO-2011/03/B/HS4/04162 – chief executive,
2. 01.09.2012-31.03.2013: “Practical Rationality: Contemporary Theories of Reasons for Action and Their Implications for the Conception of Prudential Reason”, Fulbright Senior Advanced Research at UC Davis; (pre-PhD)
3. 03.2009-03.2011: “Status of Goodness and Duty in Contemporary Naturalistic Ethics” – Supervisory Grant of Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, No. N N101 05963 – main executive (under supervision of professor Tadeusz Buksiński),

4. 05.2008: International Research Program for Moral Psychology and Moral-Democratic Competence Training – supervisors: Prof. Georg Lind (Univ. of Konstanz) and Prof. Ewa Nowak (AMU) – co-executive;

## F. PUBLICATIONS<sup>1</sup>:

### I. Authored monographs:

1. *Status of Goodness and Duty in Contemporary Naturalistic Ethics* [Ph.D. diss.], Adam Mickiewicz University Repository, Poznań 2010,
2. *After Metaethics*, Kraków, Wydawnictwo Universitas 2012, pages 290 [revised Ph.D. diss.],

### II. Edited volumes:

*Intersubjectivity* – Editor, Kraków, Wydawnictwo Universitas 2012, pages 304 (a collection of essays),

### III. Papers in English:

1. \*\* “The Task of a Naturalist: An Epitaph for Philippa Foot (1920-2010)”, *Ethics in Progress Quarterly. Online Journal*, Issue No. 1 (1)/2010: 197–200,
2. \*\* “Metaphysics of Practical Philosophy. The Concept of Capacity in Aristotle”, in: Georg Arabatzis (ed.), *Studies on Supernaturalism*, Academy of Athens, Logos Verlag 2009: 59–73 (a shortened and revised version of: IV.6);  
(pre-PhD)  
\*\* “Hegel on Recognition: Moral Implications of ‘Lordship and Bondage’ Dialectic”, *Hegel Jahrbuch*, Hg. von A. Arndt, K. Bal und H. Ottmann, 2008: 119–124,

### IV. Papers in Polish:

1. \*\* ”Bratman and A Minimal Praxiology” (forthcoming),
2. \*\* “Moore and the Semantic Autonomy of Ethics”, *Principia. Pisma koncepcyjne z filozofii i socjologii teoretycznej*, Vol. LIV (forthcoming),

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<sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise indicated, publications are in Polish language (titles translated).  
Symbols: \* – invited, \*\* – reviewed.

3. \*\* “The Practical Spectrum of Ethics and Intersubjectivity. Two Models of Subject”, in: *Intersubjectivity*, Piotr Makowski (Ed.), Kraków, Wydawnictwo Universitas 2012: 129–147,
4. \*\* “Dynamis. Metaphysical Notion of Capacity and its Role in Aristotle’s Practical Philosophy”, *ICF Diametros*, Vol. 33 (2012): 76–100,
5. \*\* “Hume’s Guillotine”, *Przegląd Filozoficzny. Nowa Seria*, Vol. 80, No. 4 (2011): 307–334,
6. \* “«Public Sphere» and the Detranscendentalization of Intersubjectivity”, in: *On Urban Public Sphere*, Przemysław Pluciński & Marek Nowak (Eds.), Poznań, Wydawnictwo Ha!Art 2011: 87–102, (pre-PhD)
7. \* “A Question of the Possibility of ‘Naturalization’ of Values in Ethics. Some Remarks on ‘Value Judgment’ by J. Griffin”, in: *Towards Sources of Values*, Piotr Orlik (Ed.), Poznań WN IF UAM 2009: 251–270,
8. \* “The Intersubjective Interpretation of Morality – A Philosophical Horizon of Hans Krämer’s Ethics”, in: *Public Philosophy and the Ethics of Public Policy*, Karolina Cern, Piotr W. Juchacz & Ewa Nowak (Eds.), Seria Co-opera, Vol. VI, Poznań 2009: 243–256,
9. \*\* “Aristophanic Laughter. The Analysis of Comic Means in Aristophanes on the Example of ‘Frogs’”, *Symbolae Philologorum Posnaniensium Graecae et Latinae*, Vol. XVIII (2008): 103–113,
10. \*\* “The New Philosophy of Morals”, *IMF Hybris*, Vol. 5 (2007), 1–23,
11. \*\* “Autonomy in the Ethics of I. Kant (an Attempt at Historicist Interpretation)”, *ICF Diametros*, Vol. 10 (2006): 34–64;

#### V. Polish Translations:

1. David Copp, “Moral Naturalism and Three Grades of Normativity”, *Etyka*, Vol. 42/2009: 51–83;
2. Michael E. Bratman, “The Fecundity of Planning Agency”, (forthcoming).

#### VI. Miscellanea:

1. \* “Fire in the Philosophy of Heraclitus” [encycl. entry], *Filozofia Publiczna I Edukacja Demokratyczna*, Vol. 1(2) (2012): 130–138.
2. “Dimensions of Intersubjectivity. Foreword”, in: *Intersubjectivity*, Piotr Makowski (Ed.), Kraków, Wydawnictwo Universitas 2012: 7–10. (pre-PhD)

3. \* “Ethical Values and the Specificity of Contemporary Ethical Theory” [discussion], in: *Towards Sources of Values*, Piotr Orlik (Ed.), Poznań WN IF UAM 2009: 271–286,
4. \*\* “Interpreting Culture. Some Theses on the Concept of Culture in The Context of Naturalism” [lighter essay], *Znaczenia*, Vol. 1 (2008): 119–123,
5. \*\* “Narcissus and his Mirror. The Interpretations” [lighter essay], *Subiectiva*, Vol. 1 (2007): 17–23,
6. \*\* “The Issue of Morality in Gombrowicz and the Tasks of Contemporary Ethics” [lighter essay], *KSF Preteksty*, Vol. 8 (2007): 27–36,

## G. PRESENTATIONS:

### I. in English (international):

1. “Inertia and Plasticity” – Philosopher’s Rally, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan, Poland (27.06.2013),
2. “Reframing Praxiology. A New Introduction to the Efficient Action Theory” – ECTA 2013, Poznan, Poland (13.06.2013),
3. “Integrative Praxiology. A New Introduction to the Efficient Action Theory” – Philosophy Department Workshop, University of California, Davis (15.02.2013, USA),
4. “Praxiology” – Davis Group in Ethics and Related Subjects, Department of Philosophy, University of California, Davis (05.10.2012, USA – invited talk),
5. “A Question of Ontology in Ethics” – Metaphysics, Language, and Morality. International Philosophical Symposium, Center for Croatian Studies (01.12.2010, Zagreb, Croatia),  
(pre-PhD)
6. “A Question of Ontology in Ethics. Conceptual Relativity and Naturalism”, Philosophy Department Workshop, University of California, Davis (12.02.2010, USA – invited talk),
7. “A Problem of Metaphysics in Ethical Naturalism” – Schola Europaea 2008: Bildung als Diskurs. Polnisch-Schweizerisches Kolloquium, Universität Bern (08.05.2008, Bern, Switzerland),
8. “Hegel on Acknowledgement: Moral Implications of ‘Lordship and Bondage Dialectic’” – XXVI International Hegel Congress (20.09.2006, Poznan, Poland),

### II. in Polish (countrywide):

1. "The New Introduction to Kotarbiński's Praxiology" – Scientific Society of Praxiology, Pałac Staszica, Warsaw (16.05.2013),
2. "Hume's Guillotine" – David Hume (1711-1776). The Mechanics of Mind; University of Warsaw (6-7.06.2011),  
(pre-PhD)
3. "Ethics without Ontology. The Epistemological Status of Ethics in the Perspective of Naturalism" – III Countrywide Conference of Ph.D. Students in Philosophy (30.01.2009, Krakow),
4. "Philosophy of Culture and Naturalism" – Countrywide Conference: 'Humanistic Culture' (15.11.2007, Rybnik),
5. "Practical Spectrum of Ethics and Intersubjectivity. A Problem of the Model of Subject" – II Countrywide Philosophical Conference in Ciazan: Intersubjectivity. Social – Moral – Legislative Dimensions, AMU House of Creative Work (20.04.2007, Ciazan),
6. "'Philosophy naturalized'. On the Cognitive Status of Claims in the Contemporary Philosophy", I Countrywide Conference of Ph.D. Students in Philosophy (08.12.2006, Krakow)

#### H. INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC EXPERIENCE:

1. Fulbright Scholarship (seminars, conferences, networking) – California, USA (09.2012-03-2013),  
(pre-PhD)
2. Lectured at Philosophy Department Seminar, UC Davis (USA) – 02.2010,
3. Participant and lecturer at The International Workshop Schola Europaea: Bildung Als Diskurs – Universität Konstanz (Germany) and Universität Bern (Switzerland) – 05.2008,
4. International scientific correspondence (held from 2006) with researchers from the U.K. United States, Germany, and Switzerland,
5. Summer School in Ancient Greek (Bryanston, UK) – 07.2006.

#### I. MEMBERSHIP & SERVICES:

1. Chairman of the International Conference Committee (and initiator of the event): ECTA 2013: European Conference of Theory of Action – Reasons for Action and Praxiology. Broadening the Borders (12-14.06.2013, Poznań)
2. Member of Scientific Society for Praxiology (from 12.2011 – present),

3. Member and Reviewer at Regional Committee of Philosophy Olympiad, Poznan (10.2011-01.2012).
4. Member of the Editorial Board (and Peer-Reviewer) at: *Philosophy Study Journal*, David Publishing Company, Libertyville, IL, USA (08.04.2010 – present),
5. Member of the Editorial Board at: *Ethics in Progress Quarterly*, Academic Research Publishers of Institute of Philosophy, Adam Mickiewicz University (01.10.2010 – present),  
(pre-PhD)
6. Chairman of the Conference Committee (and initiator of the event): II Countrywide Philosophical Conference in Ciążeń: Intersubjectivity. Social – Moral – Legislative Dimensions, AMU House of Creative Work (20-22.04.2007, Ciążeń),
7. Member of The Society for Promotion of Hellenic *Studies* and *The Classical Association* (London, UK, 01.2007 – present),
8. Founder & Co-ordinator of *the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Research Group in Philosophy 'PRAXIS'* - under supervision of the Chair of Social and Political Philosophy, Dept. of Philosophy Adam Mickiewicz University (07.11.2006 – 01.10.2009),
9. Vice-chairman of The Ph.D. Students Council in the Dept. of Philosophy AMU (10.2006 – 10.2007);

#### J. HONORS AND AWARDS:

1. Scholarship for Polish Distinguished Young Scientists, the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education (10.2013-10.2016),
2. Fulbright Senior Advanced Research Award (schol. 09.2012-03.2013),
3. Honors for the Ph.D. dissertation, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan, Dept. of Social Sciences Committee, (07.06.2010),  
(pre-PhD)
4. Scientific Scholarship for Distinguished Ph.D. Students at Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan (08.08.2006–30.09.2010),
5. The J.A.C.T. (Joint Association of Classical Teachers) Grant – for the participation in Summer School in Ancient Greek, Bryanston, UK (awarded 07.2006);

#### K. PERSONAL:

- Born: 1982, Brodnica, Poland
- Nationality: Polish
- Marital status: bachelor