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HIGHER EDUCATION

2014 – on-going PhD Philosophy (scholarship)

University of Hull, UK

- Western and Eastern philosophy of the body

2011 – 2012 Visiting Scholarship Computational Neuroscience (scholarship)

Interdisciplinary Center for Neural Computation
Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel

- Computational modelling of neurobiological and cognitive processes

2010 - 2011 MSc Evolutionary and Adaptive Systems (merit)

Sussex University, Brighton, UK

- Computational modelling of biological systems

2008 - 2010 PhD Philosophy (scholarship)

Interrupted due to death of supervisor
Durham University, UK

- Ethics, feminist philosophy, intersectionality

2007 – 2008 MA Philosophy of mind (distinction)

University College Dublin, Ireland

- Thesis: Physics and mind in Bohm's interpretation of quantum theory

2006 – 2007 Erasmus Program in Cognitive Science

New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria

- Practical in EEG studies

2004 – 2007 BSc Cognitive Science (distinction)

University of Osnabruck, Germany

- neural networks, cognitive psychology, artificial intelligence, computational linguistics, philosophy of mind
- thesis: Qualia in the mind-body problem

OTHER ACADEMIC TRAINING

2014-2016 Postgraduate Training Certificate in Social Science

University of Hull, UK

- Interviewing and qualitative data analysis
- Quantitative research methods incl. SPSS

2012-2013 Postgraduate Program in Gender Studies

Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

- Feminist theory and history
- Can analyse texts from a feminist perspective

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

2015 - 17 Ayurvedic Lifestyle Counsellor

Jiva Ayurveda (Faridabad, India)

2015 - on-going Ayurvedic Healing Course

American Institute of Vedic Studies

- Certified consultant in traditional Indian medicine
- Experience in patient education, mentoring and support
- Intercultural literacy and sensitivity

2014 - 15 Counselling Level 1

Yorkshire Counselling (Hull, UK)

- Know how to: build trust with a client; maintain confidentiality and respect; listen actively to clarify issues; help find solutions unobtrusively

2014 Summer Internship

Lambda (LGBT NGO in Warsaw, Poland)

- Designed grants for NGOs
- Trained for phone helpline

2012 Weekend workshop in anti-discrimination journalism

Campaign Against Homophobia (LGBT NGO in Warsaw, Poland)

- Learned how to avoid sexism, racism, ableism, homophobia and transphobia in the texts I write and edit

WORK EXPERIENCE

2012 – on-going

Academic translator for English, German, Polish (freelance)

- Journal articles, PhD theses, book chapters, research materials for NGOs
- Published in peer-reviewed journal (*Higher Education*), internal university circulation (UNU Working Papers) and a book chapter in press
- Extensive translation of official communications for NGOs (see below)
- Independence, reliability, setting and meeting realistic deadlines
- Additional experience with Spanish and Russian as source languages
- Stints as an interpreter, e.g. Warsaw Immigration Office

2012 – 2014

Private teacher of English and Polish (freelance)

- Excellent mentor
- Committed to and skilled at expanding language skills in others and self
- Custom-made materials with understanding of individual learning styles: creativity and context-sensitivity

2010 – 2016

On-going pro bono translation and editing for NGOs, for example:

- Editing and proofreading a 200-page report on civil partnerships in the EU and other educational materials in English for Campaign Against Homophobia (<http://kph.org.pl>)
- Translation into English and editing of a book publication on Polish women's history for Fundacja Autonomia (<http://www.autonomia.org.pl>)
- Editing and proofreading English version of Intercultural Dialogue (www.dialogmiedzykulturowy.org.pl)

LANGUAGES

- Polish, German (bilingual)
- Spanish, Russian, French (source languages)
- Romanian, Bulgarian (basic)
- Hebrew (beginner)
- Classical Latin (residual)

- Continuously developing language skills through tandems, international placements, perusing a variety of multilingual and multicultural media

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Wordpress
- SPSS (statistics)
- MATLAB, Java, Pascal, HTML, CSS
- Neural networks modelling software (PDP)