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EMPLOYMENT

Since May 2023 - Associate Professor (dr hab., prof. ucz.); Institute of the Americas and Europe, American Studies Center, University of Warsaw, Poland
March 2019 – May 2023 – Associate Professor (dr hab.); Institute of the Americas and Europe, American Studies Center, University of Warsaw, Poland
Oct 2008 – Feb 2019 – Assistant Professor; Institute of the Americas and Europe, American Studies Center, University of Warsaw, Poland
Aug 2012 - Dec 2012 - Assistant Visiting Professor, Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, the United States

EDUCATION

2019 – Habilitation (post-doctoral degree), Faculty of History, University of Warsaw, Poland; habilitation in history
2008 – Ph.D., Faculty of History and Sociology, University of Białystok, Poland; Ph.D. in history
2008-2004 – interdisciplinary Ph.D. studies in humanities and social sciences; Graduate School for Social Research, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland
2005 – M.A. in cultural studies; specialization; American Studies; American Studies Center, University of Warsaw, Poland
2003 – M.A. in history, Institute of History, Faculty of History and Sociology, University of Białystok, Poland
2003 – B.A. in English philology; Faculty of Philology, University of Białystok, Poland

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2024-2025 - Fulbright Senior Award, Department of History, University of Maryland, research project “Transnational Engagements of the Anti-abortion Movement in Late Communist and Post-Communist Poland (1970s-1990s)”

- 2023-2024 – University of Warsaw, Excellent University Research Program, New Ideas Competition, research grant for the project “Anti-abortion activism in late communism and after the democratic transition in Poland: transnational and local aspects of the social movement activism”
- 2020-2023 – The National Science Center, Poland; OPUS grant, Principal Investigator, research grant for the project “Polish Immigrant and Second-Generation Women in the United States: Private and Intimate Lives (1890-1940)”
- Jan-Mar 2020 – Kosciuszko Foundation research fellowship, Department of History, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, the United States; research project “Family, Home, and Beyond: Polish Immigrant Women in Chicago (1890s-1930s)
- 2017-2013 – The National Program for the Development of the Humanities, Poland, Principal Investigator, research grant for the project: “American Philanthropic Activities in Interwar Poland and Their Impact on the Formation of Polish and Jewish public health system”
- Apr-May 2013 – research grant „Kwerenda” from the Foundation for Polish Science; research project: “The fight against typhus or the Bolsheviks? The mission of the American Red Cross in Poland (1919-1922)”
- 2015-2012 – Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland, a three-year scholarship for the most meritorious young scientists
- Aug- Dec 2012 – fellowship (Visiting Professor), Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, the United States
- Apr-May 2011 – research grant „Kwerenda” from the Foundation for Polish Science; research project: “The Rockefeller Foundation in Interwar Poland”
- Sep 2010 - research fellow, John F. Kennedy Institute for American Studies, Frei Universität, Berlin, Germany; research project: “American Aid to Poland in the Sphere of Public Health and Social Medicine (1920s-1970s)
- 2009-2008 – the Committee for Scholarly Research, Poland, research grant for Ph.D. thesis (“Birth Control Movement in the United States on the Example of the State of Illinois, 1923-1941)

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2018) *Dziecko, rodzina i pleć w amerykańskich inicjatywach humanitarnych i filantropijnych w II Rzeczypospolitej* [Children, Family, and Gender Roles in American Humanitarian and Philanthropic Initiatives in Interwar Poland], Wydawnictwa Uniwersytetu Warszawskiego, Warszawa.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2009) *Zdrowe matki, chciane dzieci. Ruch kontroli urodzeń w stanie Illinois, 1923-1941* [Well-Mothers, Wanted babies: The Birth Control Movement in the State of Illinois, 1923-1941], Wydawnictwo Neriton, Warszawa.

Edited Volumes

- Basiuk, Tomasz, Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia and Krystyna Mazur (eds.) (2011) *The American Uses of History: Essays on Public Memory*, Peter Lang, Frankfurt am Main 2011.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2023) “Informing the ‘broad masses’: Early-twentieth-century birth control debates and activism in the Polish-American community.” *Gender & History* 2023, 00: 1–17, <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-0424.12750>
- Jarska, Natalia and Sylwia Kuźma-Markowska (corresponding author) (2023), “Explaining the Calendar: The Catholic Church and Family Planning in Poland (1930-1957)”, *The Historical Journal*, online first, 1-23, doi:10.1017/S0018246X23000018
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia and Laura Kelly (2022), „Anti-abortion Activism in Poland and the Republic of Ireland, ca. 1970s-1990s”, *Journal of Religious History* vol. 46, issue 3, pp. 407-613 doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-9809.12870>
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2022), “Achieving Their Goals and Adapting New Norms: Polish Immigrant Women and American Institutions in Early-Twentieth-Century and Interwar Chicago”, *Journal of American Ethnic History* vol. 41, no 4, pp. 5-36, doi: <https://doi.org/10.5406/19364695.41.4.01>
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia and Ignaciuk, Agata (2020) “Family planning advice in state-socialist Poland, 1950s–1980s: Local and transnational exchanges” *Medical History* vol. 64, no 2, pp. 240-266, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1017/mdh.2020.5>[Opens in a new window]
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2020) “Marx or Malthus? Population Debates and the Reproductive Politics of State-socialist Poland in the 1950s and 1960s” *The History of the Family* vol. 25, issue 4, 576-598, <https://doi.org/10.1080/1081602X.2019.1702889>
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2019) „Railroad Workers, Civilization, and Communism: the Young Men’s Christian Association on the Interwar Polish Frontier”, *European Journal of American Studies*, vol. 13, no. 3, <https://journals.openedition.org/ejas/13718>
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2018) “Pomagajcie polskim dzieciom.’ Humanitarna mobilizacja amerykańskiej opinii publicznej w latach po I wojnie światowej”, *Kwartalnik Historyczny*, vol. 125, no 3, pp. 657-688.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2017) „Walka z ‘babkami’ o zdrowie kobiet medykalizacja przerywania ciąży w Polsce w latach pięćdziesiątych i sześćdziesiątych XX wieku”, *Polska 1944/45-1989*, vol. 15, pp. 189-215.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2017) „Służba”, kapitalizm i „kosmopolityczny patriotyzm”: amerykański Czerwony Krzyż Młodzieży w II Rzeczypospolitej, *Dzieje Najnowsze*, vol. 49, no. 3, pp. 5-26.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2017) „W trosce o ‘dzieci jutra’: amerykańskie inicjatywy opieki nad niemowlętami w II Rzeczypospolitej, *Medycyna Nowożytna: Studia nad kulturą medyczną*, vol. 23, no. 1, pp. 113-137.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2017) „Alkohol, patologie społeczne i perspektywy badawcze (na marginesie książki Anety Bołyrew *Społeczeństwo Królestwa Polskiego wobec patologii społecznych* w latach 1864-1914, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Łódzkiego, Łódź 2016)”, *Przegląd Historyczny*, vol. 108, no. 2, pp. 458-468.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2015) „Zarazki i geny: strach przed imigrantami i wprowadzenie kwot w Stanach Zjednoczonych w 1921 r., *Przegląd Historyczny*, vol. 106, no. 4, pp. 759-782.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „Zaraza u bram Nowego Jorku: reakcja amerykańskiej opinii publicznej na epidemię tyfusu w Polsce po I wojnie światowej,” *Medycyna Nowożytna*, vol. 20, no 1, pp. 61-85.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „O humanitarianym i Amerykańskim Czerwonym Krzyżu z perspektywy USA,” *Dzieje Najnowsze*, vol. 46, no. 3, pp. 236-244.

- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2012) "Polska rodzina, amerykańska nowoczesność. Opieka nad matką i dzieckiem w działalności Fundacji Rockefellera w II Rzeczypospolitej" *Przegląd Historyczny*, vol. 103, no. 3, pp. 813-835.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2011) "An Unexpected Continuity: Voluntary and Compulsory Sterilization in the Rhetoric of the Pre- and Post-World War II Polish Birth Control Movement", *East Central Europe*, vol. 38, no 1, pp. 97-114.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2010) "Why There is No Gender History in Poland?" *Dialogue and Universalism*, vol. 5-6, pp. 9-19.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2009) „Stan badań nad historią antykonsepcji w XIX i XX wieku”, *Przegląd Historyczny*, vol. 100, no 3, pp. 603-619.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2008) "Race and Gender Intersected. Hill/Thomas Controversy," *Polish Journal of American Studies* vol. 2, pp. 91-103.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2008) „Świadome macierzyństwo w praktyce. Kliniki kontroli urodzeń w Stanach Zjednoczonych w dwudziestoleciu międzywojennym,” *Medycyna Nowożytna. Studia nad kulturą medyczną*, vol. 15, no 1-2, pp. 109-139.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2008) „Popularizing Haute Couture. Acceptance and Resistance to the New Look in the post-1945 United States,” *The Americanist: Warsaw Journal for the Study of the United States*, vol. 24, pp. 143-157.

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2024), „Confrontation and dialogue: family planning narratives and activisms in interwar Poland”, in: *Tracing social change: family planning since the nineteenth century*, ed. H. Hein-Kircher, New York and Oxford: Berghahn (in print).
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2024), „Transnational aspects of family planning: interwar and state socialist Poland”, in: *Handbook on Sexuality in Eastern Central Europe*, ed. A. Kościańska et al., London: Routledge (in print).
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2023) „Użyteczne” opowieści i rewizje: badania nad historią ruchu sufrażystowskiego w Stanach Zjednoczonych, in: *Księga jubileuszowa profesor Haliny Parafianowicz*, eds. W. Batóg i I. Wawrzyczek, Białystok: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu w Białymostku.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2020) “Dzika rozrodczość” i ‘największy przyrost naturalny w świecie’. Wybrane wątki debaty populacyjnej w PRL przełomu lat pięćdziesiątych i sześćdziesiątych” in: *Od zgonu ojca narodu do śmierci orła Karpat*, ed. W. Borodziej et al., Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Naukowe Scholar, pp. 200-208.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2016) „Amerykańskie i brytyjskie badania jakościowe nad starością dla XIX i XX wieku”, in: *Ludzie starzy i starość na ziemiach polskich od XVIII do XXI wieku (na tle porównawczym)*, vol. 1: *Metodologia, demografia, instytucje opieki*, ed. A. Janiak-Jasińska, K. Sierakowska, A. Szwarc, Warszawa: Wydawnictwo DiG, pp. 63-75.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2015) „Idealy polsko-amerykańskiej kobiecości: Szare Samarytanki i Stowarzyszenie Młodych Chrześcijańskich Kobiet w Drugiej Rzeczypospolitej”, in: *Czas wojny, czas pokoju: Stany Zjednoczone Ameryki w XX i XXI w.*, vol. 2, ed. Ł. Niewiński, Oświęcim: Wydawnictwo Napoleon, pp. 38-48.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2013) „Advertising American Ideals Abroad: The Committee on Public Information in Europe (1917-1919)”, in: *Polish Perspectives on American*

- History. Insights, Interpretations, Revisions*, ed. H. Parafianowicz, Białystok: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu w Białymostku, pp. 165-180.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2013) „Wiele twarzy ‘nierządu.’ Prostytucja w międzywojennym Wilnie,” in: *Margines społeczny Drugiej Rzeczypospolitej. Metamorfozy społeczne*, vol. 6, ed. M. Rodak, Warszawa: Wydawnictwo IH PAN, pp. 291-309.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2013) „Międzynarodowe aspekty działalności Towarzystwa Świadomego Macierzyństwa w latach 50. i 60. XX w.”, in: *Problem kontroli urodzeń i antykonsepcji. Krytyczno-porównawcza analiza dyskursów*, Studia Humanistyczne vol. 7, ed. B. Płonka-Syroka, A. Szlagowska, Wrocław: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Medycznego im. Piastów Śląskich, pp. 263-282.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2011) “Soldiers, Members of Parliament, Social Activists: Polish Women’s Movement after World War I,” in: *Aftermaths of War: Women’s Movements and Female Activists, 1918-1923*, ed. I. Sharp, M. Stibbe, Leiden and Boston: Brill, pp. 265-286.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2011) “From ‘Drop of Milk’ to ‘Bureaus for Mothers’ – Infant Care and Visions of Medical Motherhood in the Early 20th Century Polish Part of the Habsburg Empire”, in: *Medicine Within and Between the Habsburg and Ottoman Empires, 18th-19th Centuries*, ed. D.T. Sehel, Bochum: Dieter Winkler, pp. 131-148.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2010) „Przemoc czy ‘wyraz wolności?’ Dobrowolna i przymusowa sterylizacja w historii polskiej działalności na rzecz regulacji urodzeń, in: *Eugenika – biopolityka – państwo. Z historii europejskich ruchów eugenicznych w pierwszej połowie XX w.*, ed. M. Gawin, K. Uzarczyk, Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Neriton i Wydawnictwo IH PAN, pp. 137-154.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2010) „Zbudź się Żydówko!” Genderowe ujęcie tematu kontroli urodzeń wśród Żydów w międzywojennej Polsce,” in: *Nieme dusze? Kobiety i kultura jidysz*, ed. J. Lisek, Wrocław: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Wrocławskiego, pp. 524-539.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2009) „Margaret Sanger’s and Mary Ware Dennett’s Rhetoric of Birth Control: American Debate on Voluntary Parenthood in the Interwar Period,” in: *Ideology and Rhetoric. Constructing America*, ed. B. Chylińska, Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 281-293.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2009) Działacze ruchu świadomego macierzyństwa w latach 30. XX wieku, in: *Zawód lekarza na ziemiach polskich w XIX i XX wieku*, ed. B. Urbanek, Warszawa: Aspra, pp. 261-275.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2009) „Wiele nurtów jednej fali: ruch kobiecy w Stanach Zjednoczonych w latach 70.” in: *Działaczki społeczne, feministki, obywatełki... Samoorganizowanie się kobiet na ziemiach polskich po 1918 roku (na tle porównawczym)*, ed. A. Janiak-Jasińska, K. Sierakowska, A. Szwarc, Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Neriton, pp. 223-238.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2008) „Społeczny wymiar kontroli urodzeń wśród Żydów w międzywojennym Nowym Jorku i Chicago,” in: *Żydzi i judaizm we współczesnych badaniach polskich*, vol. 4, ed. K. Pilarczyk, Kraków: Polskie Towarzystwo Studiów Żydowskich, pp. 309-329.

Encyclopedia Articles

- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „antykonsepcja”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 48-51.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „druga fala”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed.

- M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 97-100.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „eugenika”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 124-127.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „herstory (herstoria)”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 178-182.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „in vitro”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 209-211.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „pierwsza fala”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 378-381.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2014) „trzecia fala”, in: *Encyklopedia gender. Płeć w kulturze*, ed. M. Rudaś-Grodzka et al., Warszawa, Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca, pp. 551-554.

Reviews

- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2023) review of: Natalie Lira, *Laboratory of Deficiency: Sterilization and Confinement in California, 1900-1950s*, Oakland 2022, *Technology and Culture* 64, no. 1, pp. 295-297.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2022), review of: Mie Nakachi, *Replacing the Dead: The Politics of Reproduction in the Post-war Soviet Union*, Oxford 2021, *Aspasia*, vol. 16, no. 1, pp. 237-238.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2021) review of: Katarzyna Stańczak-Wiślicz, Piotr Perkowski, Małgorzata Fidelis, Barbara Klich-Kluczevska, *Kobiety w Polsce: 1945-1989: Nowoczesność, równouprawnienie, komunizm*, Kraków 2020, *Aspasia*, vol. 15, no. 1, pp. 199-2012.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2016) review of: Paula A. Michels, *Lamaze: An International History*, Oxford and New York 2014, *Medycyna Nowożytna. Studia nad kulturą medyczną*, t. 22, z. 1.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2015) review of: Agnieszka Kościańska, *Płeć, przyjemność i przemoc: Kształtowanie wiedzy eksperckiej o seksualności w Polsce*, Warszawa 2016, *Interalia. Pismo poświęcone studiom queer*, http://www.interalia.org.pl/pl/artykuly/recenzje/07_plec_przyjemnosc_i_przemoc.htm
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia (2010, review of: Włodzimierz Batóg, *Protesty studentów Ivy League przeciwko wojnie w Wietnamie*, Kielce 2009, *The Americanist: Warsaw Journal for the Study of the United States*, t. 30, s. 199-201.
- Kuźma-Markowska, Sylwia, 2010, review of: Renata Nowaczewska, *Dobroczynna Ameryka. Walka ze skutkami Wielkiego Kryzysu (1929-1937)*, Warszawa 2009, *Dzieje Najnowsze*, t. 39, z. 1, s. 234-237.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

2024

“Americanizing Immigrant Household: Polonia Women and Household Appliances in Early 20th Century and Interwar Chicago,” American Historical Association/Polish-

American Historical Association convention, San Francisco, CA, the United States
(Jan, 4-7, 2024)

2023

With Piotr Kosicki, "Polish Pro-Life, or A Human Life International?: The Origins of the Polish Anti-Abortion Movement, 1970s-1990s", The 2023 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Oct 18-19, 2023)

Co-convenor of the panel: Atoms, Unions, and the Rhythm Method: Ruptures and Continuities in Social Movement Mobilization across Poland's 1989 Divide, The 2023 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Oct 18-19, 2023)

"Absent presence? Embryo and fetus in anti-abortion discourses in late communist Poland (1970s-1980s)," conference of the European Association for the History of Medicine and Health, Oslo, Norway (Aug 20-Sep 2, 2023)"

"Spaces of the Home, Spaces of the City: Polish Immigrant Women in Early 20th Century Chicago," Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders and Sexualities, Santa Clara, CA, the United States (June 29-July 3, 2023)

"‘Women are the Church’s greatest allies’: Grappling with Polish immigrant women’s religiosity in the early 20th century and interwar United States", conference of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America, New Britain, CT, the United States (June 9-11, 2023)

"Right to Life behind the Iron Curtain: The Anti-Abortion Movement, the Catholic Church and the Communist State in Poland", European Social Science History Conference, Goteborg, Sweden (April 12-15, 2023)

"‘Babska robota’: Polonia women and (wage) work in early 20th century Chicago" American Historical Association/Polish-American Historical Association convention, Philadelphia (Jan, 5-8, 2023)

2022

"Conflicts and Interdependencies: Family Planning Narratives and Activisms in Interwar Poland"; conference: "Challenging Norms and Narrations: Family Planning and Social Change in Europe", Leibnitz/online; (Jan 27-28, 2022)

Discussant in the panel "Gendered Emotions and Politics"; conference "Schools of feelings: Gender in the historical processes of shaping emotions; Institute of History, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw/online (June 23-24, 2022)

"Fighters for a better ‘Polish’ America: Revisiting the Role of Women Reformers in the Early 20th Century Chicago Polish-American Community", conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok (June 24-26, 2022)

With Agata Ignaciuk, „Constructing Precarious Bodies: The Representations of the Embryo and Fetus in Late-socialist Poland (1980s)", conference: The 2022 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Oct 13-14, 2022)

Convenor of the panel Religion, Intimacy and Precarity: Polish Catholic Narratives of (Non)reproduction (1980s-Present); conference: The 2022 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Oct 13-14, 2022)

2021

- „Birth Control Rebels: Debating and Practicing Contraception in Interwar Polish-American Community”, conference: The 2021 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Dec 1-3, 2021)
- Convenor of the panel: “Rebels, Monsters, and Rage: Polish and Polish-American Women in History and Culture”, conference: The 2021 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Dec 1-3, 2021)
- Discussant in the panel: “Gender and Sexuality in Polish/Polish American Studies: Where Are We and Where Are We Going?”, conference: The 2021 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, online (Dec 1-3, 2021)
- With Natalia Jarska, “Love and Calendar: The Catholic Church and Family Planning in Poland (1930/1956/57)”; conference: Mother, Father, Child, Health – The History of Reproduction, Berlin/online (June 4, 2021)
- With Agata Ignaciuk, “Cold War family Planning: Polish Engagements with the International Federation for Family Life Promotion and the International Planned Parenthood Federation (1950s-1980s), conference: Divided Together? International Organizations and the Cold War”, University of Vienna/online, May 19-20, 2021
- “Conflicts and Interdependencies: Family Planning Narratives and Activisms in Interwar Poland”; workshop: Tracing Social Change: “Family Planning since the 19th Century”, Herder Institute for Historical Research on East Central Europe, Germany/online, July 12, 2021
- “Modernizing Polish-American Household: Polonia women and Household Appliances in Interwar Chicago”, conference: What They Brought/What They Changed: Material Culture and Polish Chicago”, University of Chicago/online, Feb 4-5, 2021
- “Polish-American Women and Their Foodways in Early 20th Century Chicago”, webinar of the Polish-American Historical Association, online, Jan 16, 2021

2020

- “Transnational Dimensions of Catholic Anti-abortion Activism in 1980s and Early 1990s Poland”; conference: The 2020 Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies Virtual Convention, Chicago/online (5-8, 14-15.11.2020)
- With Laura Kelly, “Pro-life Activism in Poland and Ireland”, virtual workshop of the Research Network Medicine and Catholicism since the late 19th century (4.09.2020)
- “Deserted Wives and Single Mothers: Polish Immigrant Women and American Institutions in Early 20th Century Chicago”; conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok/online (18.09.2020-20.09.2020).

2019

- “Transmitters of Values: American Humanitarians and Philanthropists as (In)formal US Ambassadors in Interwar Poland”, conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok (18.09.2020-20.09.2020).
- Working Group “Reproductive Medicine” - workshop of the Research Network Medicine and Catholicism since the late 19th century, KU Leuven, Belgium (12-13.09.2019)

“Family, Home, and Beyond: Polish Immigrant Women in Chicago”, conference: Seventh World Congress on Polish Studies, University of Gdańsk, Gdańsk, Poland (14-16.06.2019)

2018

“Controlling Polonia Fertility in Interwar Years: Polish Immigrant Women in Chicago Birth Control Clinics”; international conference: 75th Anniversary of the Polish American Historical Association, Sep 7-9, 2018, Polish American Historical Association, Chicago, Illinois, the United States (7-9.09.2018)

“Local and International Activities of the Society of Conscious Motherhood in State-socialist Poland,” international conference: European Social Science History Conference, Belfast, Great Britain, (4.-8.04.2018).

“Birth Control Practices, Gender and Sexuality in the Twentieth Century Oral Testimonies: Transnational Perspectives from Catholic Countries II” (chairing the session; international conference: European Social Science History Conference, Belfast, Great Britain, (4-8.04.2018)

“Polki w międzywojennym Chicago: przemiany w sferze życia rodzinnego i intymnego” [Polish women in interwar Chicago: changes in private and intimate life], international conference: Polacy w Chicago: doświadczenie imigranta. Integracja, izolacja, asymilacja [Poles in Chicago: the experience of an immigrant. Integration, isolation, assimilation], Muzeum Historii Polski [Museum of Polish History], Warsaw, Poland (14-15.06.2018)

“Transfer of American Values? Young Men’s Christian Association in Interwar Poland,” international conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland (29.06-1.07.2018).

2017

“Civilization or Communism? American YMCA on the „Polish Frontier”, The 49th Annual Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies, Chicago, Illinois, the United States (9-12.11.2017).

“Potrójna amerykanizacja: Szare Samarytanki w Stanach Zjednoczonych i Drugiej Rzeczypospolitej” [Triple Americanization: "Gray Samaritans in the United States and the Second Polish Republic]; international conference: Polacy i diaspora polska w Ameryce [Poles and Polish Diaspora in America], Muzeum Emigracji w Gdyni [Museum of Emigration in Gdynia], Gdynia, Poland (21-22.09.2017).

“Medicalizing Reproduction: Abortion Legislation in State Socialist Poland,” international conference: The Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexualities, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, the United States (1-4.06.2017).

“Dziecko, rodzina i płeć w amerykańskich inicjatywach humanitarnych i filantropijnych w II RP” [Children, Family, and Gender Roles in American Humanitarian and Philanthropic Initiatives in interwar Poland], international conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland (23-25.06.2017).

2016

“Young Strangers in American Manhood Factories: Polish Men in the YMCA Gymnasia in the Second Polish Republic,” international conference: Masculinity, health, and

medicine, c.1750-present, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Great Britain (28-29.04.2016)

“Civilization or Communism? American YMCA on the Interwar ‘Polish Frontier’”, international conference, Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland (24-26.06.2016).

“US Feminism(s): Not So Straight, Not So White, Not So American” chairing the session; international conference of the Polish Association for American Studies Annual Conference, Transnational American Studies: Histories, Methodologies, Perspectives, Warsaw, Poland (27-29.10.2016).

2015

“Trying to Exert Power Through Polish Families: Child and Maternal Welfare Initiatives of the American Red Cross and the Rockefeller Foundation in Interwar Poland,” international conference: The 47th Annual Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies, Philadelphia, PA, the United States (19-22.11.2015).

“Germs and genes: eugenics, postwar Polish epidemics, and the anti-immigration restrictions of the early 1920s,” international conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland (26-28.06.2015).

“Between the East and the West: Contraception and Abortion Law and Practice in post-World War II Poland,” international conference: Medicine and Public Health in the USSR and the Eastern Bloc, 1945-1991, Institute d’etudes slaves, Paris, France (23-24.01.2015).

2014

“Upholding the Ideas of Polish-American Womanhood: The Young Women’s Christian Association in post World War I Poland, international conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland (27-29.06.2014).

“Eastern European Jewish Manhood Revisited: Jewish Self-Defense and Muscular Judaism in the Early Twentieth Century,” international conference: The 46th Annual Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Euroasian Studies, San Antonio, Texas, the United States (20-23.11.2014).

2013

“The Weakest Members of the Community and the Future of the Nation: American Child Welfare Initiatives in Interwar Poland, international conference: Professor Andrzej Bartnicki Forum for the Advanced Studies of the United States, University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland (21-23.06.2013).

2012

“Upholding the Ideals of Polish-American Womanhood: the Young Women’s Christian Association in post-World War I Poland,” international conference: Women’s Organizations and Female Activists in the Aftermath of the First World War: Moving Across Borders, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota, the United States (26-28.05.2012).

“Amerykańskie i brytyjskie badania jakościowe nad starością dla XIX i XX wieku,” [American and British Scholarship on the Old Age in the 19thand 20thcenturies].

International conference: Ludzie starzy w rodzinie i społeczeństwie na ziemiach polskich od XVIII do XXI w. (na tle porównawczym) [The elderly in family and society on the Polish lands since the 17th till the 21st century (in a comparative perspective)], Institute of History, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland (9.02.2012).

2011

- "Wiele twarzy „nierządu.” Prostytucja w Wilnie w okresie międzywojennym [Many faces of Harlotry: Prostitution in Vilnius in interwar years], international conference: Margines społeczny w II Rzeczypospolitej [Social Margin in the Second Polish Republic], Institute of History, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland (24-25.11.2011).
"Świadome macierzyństwo w PRL – aspekt międzynarodowy," [Conscious motherhood in state socialist Poland – international dimension], international conference: Zjawisko antykoncepcji w perspektywie społeczno-kulturowej [Contraception in socio-cultural perspective], Medical University in Wrocław, Zachęcie, Poland (1-2.04.2011).

2009

- "Kultura masowa w amerykańskich badaniach historycznych – metody i rezultaty [Mass culture in American historical research – methods and results], international conference: U źródeł kultury masowej. Problemy metodologiczne w badaniach historycznych [At the Source of Mass Culture: Methodological problems in historical research], Institute of History, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland (20.04.2009).

2008

- "From Drop of Milk to Schools for Mothers: Infant Care and Visions of Medical Motherhood in the Early 20th Century Polish Part of the Habsburg Empire," international conference: Medicine Within and Between the Empires (Habsburg and Ottoman) – XVII-XX centuries, The Medical University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria (19-22.11.2008).
"Polish Women's Movement After I World War," international conference: Aftermaths of War: Women's Movements and Female Activists, 1918-1923, University of Leeds, Leeds, Great Britain (10-12. 09. 2008).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

social and cultural history of Poland and the United States in the 20th century; women's and gender history; transnational history; history of public health and social medicine; transnational history of reproduction; history of immigration

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Reviewer for: National Science Center (2021-2022), "Intersections. East European Journal of Society and Politics" (2023), "Medical History" (2022, 2023), "Journal of the History of Sexuality" (2022), "Canadian Journal of History" (2022), "Przegląd Historyczny" (2022), "Przegląd Zachodniopomorski" (2022), "Res Historica" (2023, 2022, 2021), "Widok" (2021), "Stan Rzeczy" (2021), "Technology and Culture" (2020, 2017); „Interalia" (2019); „Acta Poloniae Historica" (2018); „Kwartalnik Historyczny" (2013); „The Americanist" (2010)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies
European Social Science History Association
Polish-American Historical Association; 2023-2025, Board of Directors
Program Council, Alumni Association
Medicine and Catholicism from the 19th century to the present network, KU Leuven, Belgium