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## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION (selected)

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2009 Full professorship in Social Sciences and the Humanities – President of the Republic of Poland (applied by the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gdansk, Poland)

2002 Habilitation in Social Sciences “Pedagogy” – Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gdansk, Poland. Subject of habilitation thesis: Community Education: Family, School and Community Partnerships in American Perspective

1994 Doctor of Social Sciences and the Humanities “Pedagogy” – Institute of Education, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gdansk, Poland. Dissertation: Parents’ Co-Participation in the Children’s Education.

1989 Master of Science in Pedagogy “Childhood Studies and Primary Education” – Institute of Pedagogy and Psychology, Pedagogical University in Slupsk, Poland. Master’s thesis about the impact of school’s milieu on the students’ educational achievement.

### EMPLOYMENT (selected)

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1980 – 1989 Arts and primary education teacher

1989 – 1998 Teacher at a non-public primary school

since 1989 Researcher and senior lecturer (till 1994), assistant professor (1994-2002), associate professor (2002-2008), full professor (2009-now) – Institute of Education at Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gdansk, Poland

## **FUNCTIONS (selected)**

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1985-1989 Deputy director of a public primary school: no. 49 in Gdansk

1989-1998 Founding mother and director of a non-public primary school: The First Community Primary School of the Civic Educational Association in Gdansk

1998-2008 Director of post-diploma studies “Animation of the Community Co-operation” at the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gdansk

1996-2002 Deputy director of the Institute of Education at University of Gdansk

2002-2008 Director of the Institute of Education at University of Gdansk

2008-2012 Pro-rector for Educational Matters of the University of Gdansk

Since 2005 Head of Division of Social Pedagogy, Institute of Education, University of Gdansk

## **TRAININGS AND QUALIFICATIONS (selected)**

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2008-2012 Commission of the University Accreditation (membership and expert's work)

2009-2014 Polish Team of Bologna Process Experts (membership and expert's work)

2005 Training and serving expertise for Oxford University: Educational Transitions in Central and Eastern Europe, Directions for Educational Research and Policy in the Post-Communist EU Accession and Candidate Countries

2007 Training and serving expertise for Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main, The concepts and ideas for teaching applied natural and social sciences (*Sachunterricht*) in primary schools in Europe

2008 Training and serving expertise for Bielefeld University: Capabilities in the context of education and whole-day schooling. The situation in Poland

Since 2008 Expert of the Network of Experts in Social Sciences on Education and Training

Since 2009 Expert of the Laboratory of Social Innovations at the Centre of Local Communities' Support (CAL), Warsaw

Since 2011 Expert of the Centre of Research about Local Communities and Democracy at the Collegium Civitas, Warsaw

## **MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZATIONS AND EDITORIAL BROADS OF JOURNALS (selected)**

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Since 1996 European Research Network About Parents in Education [working as its Chair (2003-2005, 2019-2021) and member of the Steering Committee since 1999]

Since 1998 Polish Pedagogical Association

Since 2008 Gdansk Scientific Society (Chair of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, since 2013)

Since 2000 member of editorial board of the International Journal About Parents in Education (IJPE)

Since 2010 member of editorial board of the Social Pedagogy Quarterly (Kwartalnik Pedagogika Społeczna)

Since 2017 member of editorial board of the Papers on Social Pedagogy

Since 2018 member of editorial board of the Social Work, quarterly (Praca Socjalna, kwartalnik)

Since 2017 Editor in Chief of The Gdansk Yearbook, published by The Gdansk Scientific Society (since 1927)

Since 2017 Consulting editor of the European Journal for Research on the Education and Learning of Adults (RELA)

Since 2015 Member of Editorial Advisory Board of the Bloomsbury Critical Education Series,

Since 2015 Member of the Editorial Advisory of the Contemporary Educational Leadership Journal.

## **AWARDS (selected)**

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2000 - Medal of the Polish "National Education Committee" (Ministry of Education)

2000 – Rector of the University of Gdańsk Scientific Award for the books: Mendel M. (2000) Partnership between families, schools and municipalities, Adam Marszałek Publishing House, Torun; In Search of Family, School and Commune Partnership (2000), Mendel M. (ed.), Adam Marszałek Publishing House, Torun

2001 - Rector of the University of Gdańsk Scientific Award for the book: Mendel M. (2001): Social education. American, family and school partnerships in the American perspective, Adam Marszałek Publishing House, Torun;

2002 - Golden Badge of the Civic Educational Society for 15 years of activity for independent education and socialization of the school (November 2002, on the 15th anniversary of the existence of STO, the first - jubilee edition of the award, covering 10 people)

2008 - Rector of the University of Gdańsk Award "in connection with the application for the title of professor" and "in connection with receiving the title of professor" (2009).

2008 - Award of the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Gdańsk "for scientific achievements in domestic and foreign fields, including participation in research European projects, organization of conferences, symposia and large scientific achievements".

2009,2010, 2011,2012 – Rector of the University of Gdansk Awards of the 1st degree for didactic, educational and organizational achievements and contribution to the development of the University of Gdańsk.

2015 - Honorary Award of the Gdańsk Society of the Friends of Art for 2014 in the field of science and culture, for the implementation of the "Common Room Gdańsk" project and scientific achievements, Gdańsk.

2018 - Award on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Gdańsk Society of Friends of Art: "Thanks for contribution"

2018 – "Animator of Everyday Solidarity" Prize by the Institute of Helena Radlinska and the European Solidarity Centre, Poland, for action research on democratic spaces and civic education

2019 – Rector of the University of Gdansk Scientific Award, 2018 'For outstanding scientific achievements' (presented on 20/03/2019)

## **SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION WITH OTHER SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS**

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IX – XII 2000 Visiting research scholarship at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, US (mentorship: Joyce L.Epstein)

2001 – 2010 Several short visiting professorships in Sweden, Portugal, and Germany

2009 - 2018 Work for The Council of the Baltic Sea States, co-organizing co-operation in higher education and teaching at The Baltic Summer Schools, etc.

Since 2018 Co-operation with Evangelische Hochschule Nurnberg, Germany (since 2019 ERASMUS+ programme) – short visiting professorship (2019), presentation and organization of students' participation at the International On-line Summer School on Health Services in the Time of Pandemic (2020)

### **PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS FUNDED UNDER REGIONAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FUNDING (selected)**

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2005-2008 Chair at the University of Gdansk: "Education for Change. Perspective for Education and Participation in Sustainable Development" (EduC), Socrates – Comenius EU Programme, no. 29350-IC-1-2005-1-SE-Comenius-C21.

2005-2007 Chair at the University of Gdansk: „Good Intercultural Dialogue in Schools: Good ID”, Socrates – Comenius EU Programme, no.: 226521-CP-1-2005-1-DK-Comenius-C21.

2005-2007 Chair of the qualitative research team at the project: "Homelessness Agenda" („Agenda Bezdomności. Standard Aktywnego Powrotu na Rynek Pracy"). European Union Social Found, EQUAL

2006-2008 Participant at the project „New Ways of Activism in European Social Work", EU programme Socrates-MOD for PhD students. Authorship of the module: *Community Education and Social Work*.

2006-2007 Chair of the University of Gdansk research project (grant BW UG nr 7300-5-0448-6): „Crossing Home-School Borders as Rites de Passage" and (grant BW 7300-5-0496-7): „Crossing Home-School Borders as Rites de Passage: New Dimensions and Challenges"

2008-2009 Chair of the „mentor's grants" of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education in Poland:

Alicja Sadownik *'Intersectional studies (...)'* – no. 3297/B/H03/2008/34, 2008-2009

Małgorzata Karczmarzyk, *Semiotics of children's drawings*, no. 3325/B/H03/2008/34, 2008-2009

2008-2011 Co-ordinator of the EU project (European Social Found, Operational Programme Social Capital): „Program wdrożenia nowoczesnych elementów kształcenia w Uniwersytecie Gdańskim”, no: UDA-POKL.04.01.01-00-180/08-00

2011-2013 Co-ordinator of the EU project (European Social Found, Operational Programme Social Capital):

„Kształcimy profesjonalistów – kompleksowy program kształcenia skierowany do studentów, absolwentów oraz studentów niepełnosprawnych Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego”, no. UDA-POKL.04.01.01-00-320/10-00).

2009-2014 General Scientific Consultant in the EU project (European Social Found, Operational Programme Social Capital): "Tworzenie i rozwijanie standardów jakości usług instytucji pomocy społecznej i integracji" – Action 1.2: "Wsparcie systemowe instytucji pomocy społecznej i integracji", Priority I: "Zatrudnienie i integracja społeczna (project leader: Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw).

## **SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS**

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Monographs (authors' and co-authors'): 16

Collective Work Editor (or Co-Editor): 25

Peer-reviewed Articles: ~150

Chapters in peer-reviewed collective monographs: ~150

Participation in Scientific Conferences: ~300

## **RESEARCH INTEREST (recent)**

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- Place, Memory and Collective Identity
- Spatial Democracy and Spatial Ways Citizenship Works
- Social justice from spatial and educational perspective
- Educational hauntology
- Urban studies (educational, pedagogy of place perspective)