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EMPLOYMENT

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan (2007-Present)
Associate Professor (with tenure), Departments of Slavic Languages and Literatures and Comparative Literature (2016-Present)
Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Departments of Slavic Languages and Literatures and Comparative Literature (2010-2016)
Assistant Professor (non-tenure track) and Junior Fellow, Michigan Society of Fellows (2007-2010)
Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Comparative Literature (2015-2017)
Affiliate, Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies
Affiliate, Frankel Center for Judaic Studies

Boston Review, Cambridge, Massachusetts (2005-2012)
Poetry editor

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts (2005-2007)
Instructor and Member of the Tutorial Board, Department of History and Literature

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts
Ph.D. in Slavic Languages and Literatures, June 2007.
M.A. in Slavic Languages and Literatures, November 2002.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan
M.F.A. in Creative Writing/Poetry, April 2001.

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts
B.A., *magna cum laude* with highest honors in field, Slavic Languages and Literatures, June 1999.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

ADVANCE Faculty Summer Writing Grant, University of Michigan	Summer 2016
Literature Fellowship in Translation, National Endowment for the Arts	2016
LSA/UMOR-Sponsored Research Funding	Summer 2015
PEN/Heim Translation Fund Grant	2014
External Faculty Fellowship, Stanford Humanities Center	2013-2014
Sweetland Fellows Seminar Senior Fellowship, University of Michigan	2012
Teaching with Technology Institute Grant, University of Michigan	2011-2012
Kolegium Thumaczy Fellowship, The Book Institute (Krakow)	Summer 2010
Literature Fellowship in Poetry, National Endowment for the Arts	2009
Postdoctoral Fellowship, Michigan Society of Fellows	2007-2010

Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2006-2007
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Research Grant	Summer 2006
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Dissertation Fellowship—Polish	2005-2006
Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (DDRA) Fellowship	2004-2005
Frederick Sheldon Fund Traveling Fellowship, Harvard University	2004-2005
FLAS Fellowship—Czech	Summer 2004
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Research Grant	Summer 2004
FLAS Fellowship—Czech	2003-2004
FLAS Fellowship—Polish	Summer 2003
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Research Grant	Summer 2003
FLAS Fellowship—Czech	Summer 2002
Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies	2001-2002
Jules and Avery Hopwood Award for Poetry, University of Michigan	2001
Jules and Avery Hopwood Award for Essay, University of Michigan	2001
Meador Family Prize and Gutterman Poetry Prize, University of Michigan	2000
Cowden Memorial Fellowship, University of Michigan	2000
Colby Fellowship, University of Michigan	1999-2000
George B. Sohler Thesis Prize for “the best thesis written by an undergraduate presented for Honors in English or in a modern literature,” Harvard University	1999
National Merit Scholarship	1995-1999
Robert C. Byrd Memorial Scholarship	1995-1996
Presidential Scholar in the Arts, White House Commission on Presidential Scholars	1995

BOOKS

Worlds Apart: Real-Life Fictions of Concentration Camps, Ghettos, and Besieged Cities. Manuscript in progress.

Lost in the Shadow of the Word (Space, Time, and Freedom in Interwar Eastern Europe). Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press, 2016. 376 pp.

Winner: Helen Tartar First Book Subvention Prize, ACLA 2015.

And His Orchestra: Poems. Pittsburgh: Carnegie Mellon University Press, 2015. 74 pp.

The Politics: Poems. Pittsburgh: Carnegie Mellon University Press, 2011. 79 pp.

BOOK-LENGTH TRANSLATIONS

Dorota Masłowska, *Honey, I Killed the Cats* (novel). Polish. Under review.

Iurii Lotman. *Selected Lotman Readings* (critical theory). Russian. Edited by Andreas Schoenle. Brighton, Mass.: Academic Studies Press, 2019. Under contract.

Janusz Korczak. *How to Love a Child* (nonfiction). Polish. In: *Selected Works of Janusz Korczak*. Elstree, UK: Vallentine Mitchell Publishers, 2018. Under contract.

Krzysztof Jaworski. *Kameraden: Poems*. Polish. Asheville, NC: MadHat Press, 2018. In press.

Bożena Keff. *The Work of Mother and Fatherland* (book-length poem). Polish. Translated with Alissa Valles. Asheville, NC: MadHat Press/Plume Editions, 2017. In press.

- Richard Weiner. *The Game for Real* (novel). Czech. San Francisco: Two Lines Press, 2015. 286 pp.
Longlisted: 2016 PEN Translation Prize.
- Marek Bieńczyk. *Transparency* (nonfiction). Polish. Urbana-Champaign: Dalkey Archive Press, 2012.
272 pp.
- Krzysztof Michalski. *The Flame of Eternity: An Interpretation of Nietzsche's Thought* (philosophy).
Polish. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2011. 231 pp.
- Andrzej Sosnowski. *Lodgings: Selected Poems*. Polish. Rochester, NY: Open Letter, 2011. 163 pp.
- Marek Bieńczyk. *Tworci* (novel). Polish. Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press, 2008. 180 pp.
- Dorota Masłowska. *Snow White and Russian Red* (novel). Polish. New York: Grove Press, 2005. 293 pp.

ARTICLES, ESSAYS, AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- "Is S. I. Witkiewicz's Philosophy Dualistic?: Pure Form's Challenge to Polish Modernism (and Everything Else)." Under revision.
- "Translating Relative States: Richard Weiner in the Space of Literature." *Comparative Literature*.
Forthcoming.
- "Can You Tell Me How to Get to the Warsaw Ghetto?" *Modernism/modernity*. In press.
- "Esli eto ne sad: Ol'ga Sedakova i nezavershennaiia rabota tvoreniia." Trans. Sergei Ermakov. *Ol'ga Sedakova: Stikhi, smysli, prochteniiia*. Eds. Stephanie Sandler, Maria Khotimsky, Margarita Krimmel, and Oleg Novikov. Moscow: Novoe Literaturnoe Obozrenie, 2016: 494-521.
English version: "If This Is Not a Garden: Ol'ga Sedakova and the Unfinished Work of Creation." *Ol'ga Sedakova: Poems, Philosophies, Points of Contention*. Eds. Stephanie Sandler, Maria Khotimsky, Margarita Krimmel, and Oleg Novikov. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2017.
- "East Is Always Further East." *East European Politics and Societies* 28:4 (November 2014): 687-692.
- Foreword and annotations. *The Romance of Teresa Hennert*. By Zofia Nałkowska. Trans. Megan Thomas and Ewa Małachowska-Pasek. Dekalb, IL: Northern Illinois University Press. 2014: vii-xx, 165-168.
- "O Robinsonie warszawskim, czyli poeta chodzi do kina (i wraca do domu rozczarowany)." [Warsaw Robinson Crusoe, or, The Poet Goes to the Movies (and Comes Home Disappointed).] *Warszawa Miłosza*. Ed. Marek Zaleski. Warsaw: Pro Cultura Literaria and Instytut Badań Literackich PAN, 2013: 285-297.
- "Niewidzialni: Dyskursy mniejszościowe w literaturze polskiej." [The Invisibles: Minority Discourses in Polish Literature.] *Na pograniczach literatury*. Eds. Jarosław Fazan and Krzysztof Zajas. Krakow: Universitas, 2012: 123-133.
- "Digital Orpheus: Poetry as Technology." *The Journal of Electronic Publishing* 14:2 (Fall 2011). Online: <http://dx.doi.org/10.3998/3336451.0014.211>

"I Am One of an Infinite Number of Monkeys Named Shakespeare, or: Why I Don't Own This Language." *The Monkey and the Wrench: Essays into Contemporary Poetics*. Eds. Mary Biddinger and John Gallaher. Akron: University of Akron Press, 2011: 78-91.

"Denatured Spirits: Shame and Doubling in Witold Gombrowicz and Richard Weiner." *New Perspectives on Polish Culture: Personal Encounters, Public Affairs*. Eds. Tamara Trojanowska, Artur Platkiewicz, et al. New York: PIASA Books, 2011: 94-111.

"Zaraźliwy śmiech: Tożsamość i infekcja w *Bakakaju*." ["Contagious Laughter: Identity and Infection in Gombrowicz's *Bakakaj*." *Witold Gombrowicz, Nasz współczesny*. Ed. Jerzy Jarzębski. Krakow: Universitas, 2010: 184-193.

"Czy fraza 'Polish literature' oznacza literaturę polską?: Problem teorii recepcji i nie tylko..." [Does the Phrase "Polish Literature" in English Mean the Same Thing as Polish Literature in Polish? (Reception Theory and Beyond).] *Polonistyka bez granic, tom 1: Wiedza o literaturze i kulturze*. Eds. Ryszard Nycz, Władysław Miodunka, and Tomasz Kunz. Krakow: Universitas, 2010: 81-92.
First printing in: *Wielogłos* 2:4 (2008): 53-64.

"A Loving Heresy: The God Function in Joseph Brodsky and Ol'ga Sedakova." *Slavic and East European Journal* 51:4 (Winter 2007): 716-736.

INVITED LECTURES

"The Universal Translator." Keynote Lecture, Oberlin College Translation Symposium (April 6-7, 2016).

"What's Found in Translation." Rose O'Neill Literary House, Washington College (March 2015).

"Genre Trouble: *Zapiski*, Parabiography, and Facticity in the Literature of Concentration Camps and Besieged Cities." Gochman Lecture, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, Harvard University (December 2014).

"Real-Life Fictions: A Tropology (Starring Lidiia Ginzburg, Tadeusz Borowski, and Jiří Weil)." Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of California, Berkeley (November 2013).

"Intersubjectivity and Its Discontents, or: How to Make Fun of Witold Gombrowicz." Polish Studies Center, Indiana University (February 2008).

"Intersubjectivity and Its Discontents, or: How to Make Fun of Witold Gombrowicz." Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (February 2007).

"Death is Not an Out: The Metamorphoses of Andrei Platonov and Bruno Schulz." Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, Princeton University (January 2006).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND ROUNDTABLES

"Genera through Generations: On the Evolution of How We Read Concentration Camp Literature." Generations and Genealogies: The Fourth Annual Polish Jewish Studies Workshop, University of Michigan (April 2017).

Roundtable: “Witold Gombrowicz and Alteration.” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), Washington, DC (November 2016).

“Living with Your Choices, or Reading *The Romance of Teresa Hennert* after Brexit.” Zofia Nałkowska’s Life in English, University College London (November 2016).

“Your Nightmares Have Already Come True: Sigizmund Krzhizhanovsky’s Writings on War.” Planting the Flag: The Nonfiction of Sigizmund Krzhizhanovsky, Indiana University (October 2016).

“Parabiography, or When the Text Tells You What You Didn’t Know You Need to Know.” American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Cambridge, MA (March 2016).

“You Eat What You Are: Consumption vs. Identity in Dorota Masłowska.” American Association of Teachers of Slavic and Eastern European Languages (AATSEEL), Austin (January 2016).

“Genera of Text and Person: Tadeusz Borowski’s Ethics of Reading.” ASEEES, San Antonio (November 2014).

Roundtable: “Problems of Cultural Context in Translation.” ASEEES, San Antonio (November 2014).

“Translation as Provocation: When the Text Says What We Would Rather Not Hear.” Translation and Comparative Cultural Context: East and West in Dialogue, Fudan University, Shanghai (May 2014).

“Can You Tell Me How to Get to the Warsaw Ghetto?” ACLA, Toronto (April 2013).

“East Is Always Further East.” The End of the Story?: Problems and Perspectives of East European Literary Studies, Princeton University (February 2013).

Roundtable discussion among authors and translators. “After Schulz” Festival, University of Illinois, Chicago (December 2012).

“Bruno Schulz as Theoretical Physicist.” Bruno Schulz, 1892-1942: Interdisciplinary Reassessments, University of Chicago (November 2012).

“Rethinking ‘Mesearch’ and the Objectives of Subjectivity.” 4th International Conference on Polish Studies, University of Illinois at Chicago (October 2012).

Roundtable: “How to Become a Literary Translator.” Department of Comparative Literature, University of Michigan (October 2012).

Roundtable: “Poetry’s Publishing Media.” Poetry and Poetics Workshop, University of Michigan, (September 2012).

Roundtable: “Poetry and Difficulty.” University Library, University of Michigan (April 2012).

“I Burn Everything!: Bruno Jasieński vs. The World.” ASEEES, Washington, DC (November 2011).

Roundtable: “Czesław Miłosz and American Poets.” Yale University (November 2011).

“O ‘Robinsonie warszawskim’, czyli Poeta chodzi do kina i wraca rozczarowany” [Miłosz’s *Robinson Crusoe of Warsaw*, or: The Poet Goes to the Movies and Is Disappointed]. Warszawa Miłosza, Warsaw (October 2011).

- “Czesław Miłosz: Faith without Consolation.” After Miłosz: Polish Poetry in the 20th and 21st Centuries, University of Illinois, Chicago (September-October 2011).
- Roundtable: “Miłosz: Made in America.” Copernicus Lecture, University of Michigan (September 2011). Co-organizer and chair.
- “National Literature After the Nation and After Literature.” AATSEEL, Los Angeles (January 2011).
- “Socratics and Cynics: On the Ancient Epistemologies of Russian/Soviet Poetry.” ASEES, Los Angeles (November 2010).
- “Niewidzialni: Dyskursy mniejszościowe w literaturze polskiej” [The Invisibles: Minority Discourses in Polish Literature]. Na Pograniczach Literatury, Krakow (March 2010).
- Roundtable: “Developing a New Generation of Translators.” MLA, Philadelphia (December 28, 2009).
- Roundtable: “Polish Poetry Now.” Poet’s House and the Polish Cultural Institute, New York City (November 2009).
- “‘For Behold This Selfsame Thing’: Writing Difference in the Undifferentiated Society.” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), Boston (November 2009).
- “Translating Relative States: Richard Weiner in the Space of Literature.” 10th Czech Studies Workshop, Columbia University (May 2009).
- “Marek Bieńczyk and Romantic Melancholy.” AAASS, Philadelphia (November 2008).
- “Czy fraza *Polish literature* oznacza literaturę polską? (Problem teorii recepcji i nie tylko...)” [Does the Phrase “Polish Literature” in English Mean the Same Thing as Polish Literature in Polish? (Reception Theory and Beyond)]. IV Kongres Polonistyki Zagranicznej: Polonistyka bez granic, Krakow (October 2008).
- “Truth and Violence: Miłosz, Herling-Grudziński, and the Counterfactual.” New Directions, New Connections: 2nd International Conference on Polish Studies, Indiana University (April 2008).
- “Modes of Lyric Collision: The Urban Phantasms of Nikolai Zabolotskii.” AATSEEL, Philadelphia (December 2006). Panel organizer.
- “At the Limits of Philosophy: Witkacy Against the Grain of the Polish Modern.” AAASS, Washington, DC (November 2006).
- Roundtable: “Polish Literary Studies and Comparative Literature.” AAASS, Washington, DC (November 2006).
- “Denatured Spirits: Shame and Being in Gombrowicz’s *Ferdydurke* and Richard Weiner’s *Hra doopravdy*.” 1st International Conference on Polish Studies, University of Toronto (February 2006).
- “A Loving Heresy: The God Problem in Brodsky and Sedakova.” Russian Poetry Since 1970 Symposium, Princeton University (December 2005).

“Unmappable Places, Defaceable Faces: Spatial Distortion, Indifference, and Orphanhood in Andrei Platonov and Bruno Schulz.” AAASS, Salt Lake City (November 2005). Panel organizer.

Roundtable: “How Minor is ‘Minor’?: New Integrative Approaches to Slavic Literature.” AAASS, Salt Lake City (November 2005). Roundtable organizer.

“Modern-Day Dostoevskys: Bakhtin’s Ideas Among His Contemporaries.” AAASS, Boston (December 2004).

“Contagious Laughter: Identity and Infection in Gombrowicz’s *Bakakaj*.” Witold Gombrowicz—Our Contemporary, Jagiellonian University, Kraków (March 2004).

“Gombrowicz in His (Almost) Free Time: *Ferdydurke* and Repetition.” AAASS, Toronto (November 2003). Panel organizer.

“Free Enterprise: How Bakhtin Manufactures Freedom in Dostoevsky.” (Con)textualizing Time in Central and Eastern Europe, University of Texas, Austin (February 2003).

REVIEW ESSAYS, BOOK REVIEWS, AND MISCELLANEOUS PROSE

Review of Joanna Nizynska’s *The Kingdom of Insignificance: Miron Bialoszewski and the Quotidian, the Queer, and the Traumatic. Polish Review*. In press.

“Bolesław Leśmian.” *A History of Polish Literature and Culture in the 20th and 21st Centuries*. Eds. Tamara Trojanowska and Joanna Nizyńska. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2016. In press.

“Richard Weiner Finds Himself in an Awkward Situation.” *PEN Atlas* (UK; July 9, 2015). Online: <http://www.englishpen.org/pen-atlas/richard-weiner-finds-himself-in-an-awkward-situation/>.

“Forensic Translation.” *The Nation* (April 7, 2105): online feature: <http://www.thenation.com/article/203641/forensic-translation>.

“The Feast of Weiner: On Translating Richard Weiner.” *PEN/America* (January 16, 2015). Online: <http://www.pen.org/essay/feast-weiner-translating-richard-weiner>

“Poetry and Catastrophe: *Poetry of Witness*, eds. Carolyn Forché and Duncan Wu.” *The Nation* 299:16 (October 20, 2014): 33-36.

Review of New Directions Poetry Pamphlets 1-12. *Rain Taxi Online Edition* (Summer 2014): <http://www.raintaxi.com/new-directions-goes-old-school/>

Review of August Kleinzahler’s *The Hotel Oneira*. *Rain Taxi* 19:1 (Spring 2014): 40-41.

Review of John Colburn’s *Psychedelic Norway* and Lightsey Darst’s *Dance*. *Rain Taxi Online Edition* (Winter 2013): <http://www.raintaxi.com/psychedelic-norway-and-dance/>

“Polish Literary Studies: State of the Field.” *AATSEEL Newsletter* 56:3-4 (December 2013): 3-4.

“*Quo Vadis*, Wisława?” *Cosmopolitan Review* 4:1 (Spring 2012). Online: <http://cosmopolitanreview.com/articles/39-feature/414-quo-vadis-wisawa>

- “Made in USA.” Trans. Michał Kuźmiński. *Tygodnik Powszechny* 40 (October 2, 2011): 10-11.
- Review of Wiesław Myśliwski’s *Stone Upon Stone*. *Times Literary Supplement* (May 20, 2011).
- “More Than Has Met the Eye: Janusz Szuber’s *They Carry a Promise* and Ewa Lipska’s *The New Century*.” *The Nation* 291:16 (October 18, 2010): 34-36.
- “Cures for the Common Cold War: Postwar Polish Poetry.” *The Nation* 289:5 (August 17, 2009): 34-36.
- “Personal Histories: Adam Zagajewski’s *Eternal Enemies* and Julia Hartwig’s *In Praise of the Unfinished*.” *The Nation* 286:25 (June 30, 2008): 38-42.
- Review of Paweł Huelle’s *The Last Supper*. *Times Literary Supplement* (March 6, 2009).
- “A Sliver of a Sliver: Aleksandr Skidan in America.” *Harp & Altar* 4 (online, Spring 2008): <http://www.harpendaltar.com/interior.php?t=r&i=4&p=26&e=43>
- “The Madman and the Poet: *Selected Poems* of Ivan Blatný.” *The Nation* (December 24, 2007): 41-44.
- “Due Consideration: On the Real Sophistication of Tony Hoagland.” *Michigan Quarterly Review* 46:1 (Winter 2007): 198-211.
- “Playing on Words: Sigizmund Krzhizhanovsky’s *Seven Stories*.” *The Moscow Times* December 1, 2006.
- “Czesław Miłosz’s *Legends of Modernity*” and “Viktor Shklovsky’s *Knight’s Move*.” *Harvard Review* 31 (2006): 214-216, 226-227.
- “The People’s Poet: Elaine Feinstein’s *Anna of All the Russias: A Life of Anna Akhmatova*.” *The Moscow Times* June 9-15, 2006: 4. Reprinted in *The St. Petersburg Times* June 23, 2006.
- “Harry Matthews’ *My Life in CIA*.” *Harvard Review* 30 (2006): 187-189.
- “*Twelve Stories of Russia: A Novel, I Guess*, by A.J. Perry.” *Slavic and East European Journal* 49:2 (2005): 324-326.
- “Infinite Jest: Three New Translations of Witold Gombrowicz.” *The Nation* 280:3 (January 24, 2005): 32-34.
- “Polish Literature Embraces the Emptiness of It All, Still.” *Words Without Borders* (online, January 2005): <http://www.wordswithoutborders.org/article.php?lab=Emptiness>
- “Who Owns Bruno Schulz?” *Boston Review* 29:6 (Dec. 2004/Jan. 2005): 22-25.
- Review of *The Puppet and the Dwarf: The Perverse Core of Christianity*, by Slavoj Žižek. *Slavic and East European Journal* 48:1 (2004): 154-155.
- Review of Anthony Beevor’s *The Mystery of Olga Chekhova*. *The Moscow Times* (July 16, 2004). Reprinted in *The St. Petersburg Times* (July 23, 2004).
- Review of Larissa Szporluk’s *The Wind, Master Cherry, The Wind*. *American Book Review* 25:4 (May/June 2004).

- Review of Gustaw Herling's *The Noonday Cemetery and Other Stories*. *The Moscow Times* (Feb. 20-26, 2004).
- Reviews of Jennifer Grotz's *Cusp* and James McCorkle's *Evidences*. *Harvard Review* 26 (2004): 199-201.
- "Witold Gombrowicz, and To Hell with Culture." *Words Without Borders* (online, March 2004): <http://www.wordswithoutborders.org/article.php?lab=ToHell>
- "My Dinner with Aleksander: Aleksander Wat's *My Century*." *The Nation* 278:11 (March 22, 2004): 34-38.
- "The Artist as Holy Fool: Solomon Volkov's *Shostakovich and Stalin: The Extraordinary Relationship Between the Great Composer and the Brutal Dictator*." *The New Leader* Jan./Feb. 2004: 18-19.
- "Simic's Peregrinations: Charles Simic's *The Voice at 3A.M.: Selected Late and New Poems*." *Boston Review* 28:6 (Dec. 2003/Jan. 2004): 56-58.
- "The Poet at War: Tom Paulin's *The Invasion Handbook*." *Boston Review* 28:2 (May 2003): 53-54.
- Reviews of Stephen Sandy's *Surface Impressions* and C.D. Wright's *Steal Away*. *Harvard Review* 24 (2003): 169-170, 176-178.
- Review of *Wild East: Stories from the Last Frontier*, ed. Boris Fishman." *The Moscow Times* (Nov. 6-13, 2003).
- Review of *Letters: Summer 1926*, by Boris Pasternak, Marina Tsvetaeva, and Rainer Maria Rilke. *Slavic and East European Journal* 47:1 (2003): 121-122.
- Microreviews of poetry collections by Agha Shahid Ali, Frank Bidart, Denise Duhamel, Susan Hahn, and Shuntaro Tanikawa in *Boston Review*, 2002.
- Review of Richard Wilbur's *Responses: Prose Pieces, 1953-1976*." *Harvard Review* 21 (2001): 175-176.
- "Joseph Brodsky"; "Richard Hugo"; "Charles Simic"; and "Charles Simic's 'Bestiary for the Fingers of My Right Hand'." *The Encyclopedia of American Poetry: The Twentieth Century*. Ed. Eric L. Haralson. Chicago: Fitzroy Dearborn, 2001. 102-104, 316-318, 665-667.
- "Gustaw Herling-Grudziński" and "Czesław Miłosz." *The Encyclopedia of Life Writing*. Ed. Margaretta Jolly. Chicago: Fitzroy-Dearborn, 2001. 424-425, 605-606.
- Reviews of Amy Gerstler's *Medicine* and Lars Gustafsson's *Elegies and Other Poems*. *Harvard Review* 20 (2001): 150-152, 154-155.
- Review of Adam Zagajewski's *Another Beauty*. *American Book Review* 22:4 (2001): 24.
- Reviews of Jean Valentine's *The Cradle of the Real Life* and Michael Collier's *The Ledge*. *Harvard Review* 19 (2000): 133-136.
- Reviews of Ted Hughes's *The Oresteia of Aeschylus* and Frieda Hughes's *Wooroloo*. *Harvard Review* 18 (2000): 147-150.

Review of Les Murray's *Fredy Neptune*." *Harvard Review* 17 (1999): 150-151.

"The Body as Instrument: A Conversation with Robert Pinsky." *2B* 14 (1999): 36-38.

POEMS IN PERIODICALS AND ANTHOLOGIES

"Monitor (I guess at some point you just have to...)" and "Dianetics (Again, in a foreign city, I am a critique...)." *Barrow Street* (Winter 2014/2015): 70-71.

"2UP" and "Dianetics (I know it's funny, but I want everyone...)." *Map Literary* (Spring 2014): online: <http://www.mapliterary.org/benjamin-paloff.html>

"Fictional Truth," "Truth and Method," and "Logic and Time." *1913 a journal of forms* (2013): 109-114.

"The Illusion of the End." *Bat City Review* 9 (Spring 2013): 17-18.

"Humanism and Terror" and "Terrors and Experts." *Harvard Review* 43 (Winter 2012): 43-47.

"Subjects of Desire." *Explosion-Proof* 1:4 (Fall 2011): 84-85.

"On Education and Kindred Subjects," "On Nothing and Kindred Subjects," and "Desire and Domestic Fiction." *Explosion-Proof* 1:3 (Summer 2011).

"Identity and Difference," "Difference and Repetition," and "Repetition/Fear and Trembling." *The Literary Review* 53:4 (Summer 2010): 43-50.

"Being and Event" and "Eventide." *Lo-Ball* 1 (Spring 2010): 77-80.

"Maimonides on What is Meant by 'Vision.'" *Ninth Letter* 6:2 (Fall/Winter 2009-2010): 56.

"For My Mafia Uncles." *Conduit* 20 (Summer 2009): "runner."

"...immortality may be a silly word, but probably a mathematician has the best chance of whatever it may mean..." *Ploughshares* 35:4 (Winter 2009): 128-29.

"Seneca on the Soul, Which Shines with a Good All Its Own," "Valerius Maximus on Wonders," and "Valerius Maximus on Prodigies." *Gutcult* (Fall 2008). Online: http://gutcult.com/Site/litjourn10/benjamin_paloff.htm

"Time and Sense." *High Chair* 9 (January-June 2008). Online: <http://www.highchair.com.ph/issue9/timesens.htm>

"Seneca on Tranquility of Mind." *New American Writing* 26 (2008): 174.

"Seneca on Banishment." *Columbia Poetry Review* 21 (Spring 2008): 134.

"Museum of Comparative Zoology" and "Crush Syndrome." *The Literary Review* 51:2 (Winter 2008): 170-171.

"Diptych of the Annunciation, Left Panel" and "Diptych of the Annunciation, Right Panel." *Gulf Coast* 19:2 (Summer/Fall 2007): 146-147.

- "Seneca on Crowds." *The Literary Review* 50:4 (Summer 2007): 246.
- "Maimonides on Scriptural Passages with Seemingly Purposeless Contents," "Philo on Flight and Finding," "Philo on the Indestructibility of the Universe," and "Mechanical Turk." *The Modern Review* 2:3 (Spring 2007): 5-8.
- "76: Because every life is specious..." "76: Me mette a winter's moment white..." and "76: In our daily summing-up of days..." *Fulcrum* 5 (2006): 207-208.
- "The Royal We." *Phoebe* 34:1 (Spring 2005): 60.
- "Seneca on the Brevity of Life" and "Seneca on Providence" (reprints). *A Public Space* 2 (Summer 2006): 68-69.
- "Seneca on the Brevity of Life," "Seneca on Providence," and "Seneca on Anger." *Faultline* 15 (Spring 2006): pp.81-83.
- "Topographical Models, 1:1." *PP/FF: An Anthology*, ed. Peter Connors (Buffalo, NY: Starcherone Books, 2006): 152.
- "Vilnius : Ghosts." *Michigan Quarterly Review* 45:1 (Winter 2006): 177.
- "A Note on the Author," "Ossuary," "Our Half-Deism," and "Wolf Nachowicz, the gravedigger, teaches his grandson to read while the boy's grandmother looks on with pleasure. (The father is in America.)." *Tiferet* 2:1 (2005): 38-43.
- "My first and last two corpses felt perhaps the mildest pain in passing..." *Never Before*. Ed. Laure-Anne Bosselaar (New York: Four Way Books, 2005): 182.
- "Jonathan Edwards in the Old West." *The Antioch Review* 63:4 (Fall 2005): p.741.
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TEACHING

Undergraduate courses:

Polish Drama, Polish Literature from the Middle Ages to 1900, Polish Literature in the Twentieth Century, Polish Literature in the Nineteenth Century, Shorter Masterworks of Nineteenth-Century Russian Prose, Central European Cultures, Central European Cinema, Literature and Ethics, Introduction to Translation Studies, Introduction to Narratology, Art House Animation and Poetics.

Graduate courses:

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“Physics, Philosophy, Fiction.” Telluride Association Summer Program, a six-week intensive interdisciplinary seminar at the University of Michigan. Co-taught with Katie Peterson, Deep Springs College (Summer 2009).

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Executive Committee, Sweetland Center for Writing (2016-Present).

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Steering Committee, Copernicus Program in Polish Studies (2007-Present).

Course Evaluation Instrument Review Committee (2016).

Executive Committee, Department of Comparative Literature (2014-2016).

Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Comparative Literature (2014-2016).

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Chair, Graduate Committee, Department of Comparative Literature (2015-2016).

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Translation Studies Committee, Department of Comparative Literature (2015-2016).

GSI Coordinator, Department of Comparative Literature (2015-2016).

Chair, Graduate Third-Term Review Committee, Department of Comparative Literature (2015).

Lecturer Review Committee (Hetzl and Beal), Sweetland Center for Writing (2015).

Executive Committee, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures (2010-2011, 2015).
Scholarly Activities Committee, Department of Comparative Literature (2010-2011, 2015).
Chair, Lecturer Review Committee (Rogovyk), Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures (2015).
Executive Committee, Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies (2011-13).
Steering Committee, Comparative Literature Year in Translation (2009-2010).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Executive Committee, MLA Russian and Eurasian Forum (2014-2019; current president).
IDRF Fellowship Review Panel, Social Science Research Council (2015, 2016, 2017).
Faculty Selection Committee, Stanford Humanities Center (2016).
Seminars and Institutes Review Panel, National Endowment for the Humanities (2014).
Manuscript review for *Canadian Slavonic Papers* (2010), *Comparative Literature* (2007, 2008, 2014),
PMLA (2015), Routledge (2016), *Russian Review* (2015, 2016), *Slavic and East European Journal*
(2010), *Studies in Travel Writing* (2015), University of Chicago Press (2009), University of Rochester
Press (2011), and Yale University Press (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016).
Individual fellowship review for University of Missouri Research Board (2016)
Fulbright Interview Committee, University of Michigan (2007-2009).

MEMBERSHIPS

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