



Professor Urszula M. Żegleń, PhD – a Scientific Biography

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Philosophical studies – Catholic University of Lublin, 1974 (Faculty: Theoretical Philosophy)

Doctorate – Catholic University of Lublin, 1980. Dissertation: "Analiza semantyczna ontologii Romana Ingardenia" [A semantic analysis in the ontology of Roman Ingarden]; doctoral advisor – Prof. S. Kamiński, PhD, reviewers: Prof. L. Borkowski PhD, Catholic University of Lublin, Prof. Guido Küng, Université de Fribourg/Switzerland.

Habilitation – Catholic University of Lublin, 1990. Field: philosophy of logics. Dissertation: Modalność w logice i w filozofii. Podstawy ontyczne [Modality in Logic and in Philosophy. The Ontic Foundations], Warsaw, Polskie Towarzystwo Semiotyczne, 1990, pp. 404; reviewers: Prof. L. Borkowski PhD, Catholic University of Lublin, Prof. L. Koj, PhD, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Prof. J. Perzanowski, PhD, Jagiellonian University/Nicolaus Copernicus University).

Posts

The head of the Department of Theory of Knowledge and Methodology of Sciences, Department of Cognitive Sciences and Epistemology at the Institute of Philosophy, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń (previously), the head of the Faculty of Cognitive Sciences at Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń (since 2018).

Selected publications

Books:

1. *Modalność w logice i w filozofii. Podstawy ontyczne* [Modality in Logic and in Philosophy. The Ontic Foundations], Warszawa, Polskie Towarzystwo Semiotyczne, UW 1990.
2. *Wprowadzenie do semiotyki teoretycznej i semiotyki kultury* [Introduction into Theoretic Semiotics and Semiotics of Culture], Toruń, UMK 2000.
3. *Filozofia umysłu. Dyskusja z naturalistycznymi koncepcjami umysłu* [Philosophy of Mind. The Debate with the Naturalistic Conceptions of Mind], Toruń, A. Marszałek 2003.

Editing:

1. *Philosophy of Mind in the Lvov-Warsaw School*, Axiomathes, Vol. VI (1994) No. 1.
2. *Dyskusje z Donaldem Davidsonem o prawdzie, języku i umyśle* [Discussions with Donald Davidson about Truth, Meaning and Mind], Lublin, Towarzystwo Naukowe KUL 1996.
3. Donald Davidson, *Truth, Meaning and Knowledge*, London/New York, Routledge 1999.
4. *Pragmatyzm i filozofia Hilarego Putnama* [Pragmatism and Hilary Putnam's Philosophy], Toruń, UMK 2001.
5. Together with James Conant, *Hilary Putnam. Pragmatism and Realism*, London/New York, Routledge 2002.
6. *Teoria znaczenia Michaela Dummetta i jej konsekwencje metafizyczne* [Michael Dummett's Theory of Meaning and its Metaphysical Consequences], series: *Rozprawy z Filozofii Współczesnej*, Toruń, Dom Wyd. Duet 2006.

Chapters:

1. *Sur l'applicabilité de la logique à la philosophie dans le programme de l'école de Lvov-Varsovie*, in: *La Philosophie en Pologne*, ed. R. Poiivet, F. Rebisch, Paris, J. Vrin 2006, pp. 23–37.
2. *Kognitywistyka – czy nowa szata dla starych problemów epistemologicznych?*, in: *Epistemologia współcześnie*, ed. M. Hetmański, Kraków, Universitas 2007, pp. 271–303 [article published also in English: *Epistemology and cognitive science. Old wine in a new bottle*, in: "Dialogue and Universalism", vol. 18 (2008), special issue: *From Old Dilemmas to New Perspectives*].

3. *A note of Henryk Mehlberg on Henryk Mehlberg's contribution to the debate on the mind-body problem*, in: *The Golden Age of Polish Philosophy. Kazimierz Twardowski's Philosophical Legacy*, ed. S. Lapointe, J. Woleński, M. Marion, V. Miskiewicz, Dordrecht, Springer 2009, pp. 173–180.
4. *Religious beliefs in the face of rationalism*, in: *The Right to Believe. Perspectives in Religious Epistemology*, eds. D. Łukasiewicz, R. Pouivet, Frankfurt-Paris, Ontos Verlag 2012, pp. 115–126 (reviewed in: *Notre Dame Review Journal*).
5. *Treści i reprezentacje umysłowe*, in: *Przewodnik po filozofii umysłu*, ed. R. Poczobut, M. Miłkowski, Kraków, WAM 2012, pp. 213–252.
6. *Epistemologia a kognitywistyka*, in: *Przewodnik po epistemologii*, ed. R. Ziemińska, Kraków, WAM 2013, pp. 457–494.
7. *Znaczenie filozofii dla kognitywistyki*, in: *Przewodnik po kognitywistyce*, ed. J. Bremer, Kraków, WAM 2016, pp. 39–38.
8. *Doniosłość jako kryterium wartościowania w metodologii nauk humanistycznych. (Rozważania prowadzone z odniesieniem do koncepcji Tadeusza Czeżowskiego)*, in: *Myśli o języku, nauce i wartościach. Profesorowi Jakowi Juliuszowi Jadackiemu w siedemdziesiątą rocznicę urodzin*, second series, ed. A. Brozek, A. Chybińska, M. Grygianiec, M. Tkaczyk, Warsaw, Wyd. Naukowe Semper 2016, pp. 521–547.
9. *Between contingency and necessity of human action. Are we free in our choices?*, in: *Philosophy as the Foundation of Knowledge, Action and Ethos*, ed. J. Kaczmarek, R. Kleszcz, Łódź, Łódź University 2016, pp. 169–180.
10. *On existential dependence and independence in the world of thoughts and states of affairs (with reference to Eugenia Ginsberg Blaustein's and Roman Ingarden's analyses)*, in: *The Lvov-Warsaw School: Past and Present. Studies in Universal Logic*, ed. Ángel Garrido, Urszula Wybraniec-Skardowska, Cham: Birkhäuser, 2018.

Main Articles:

1. *Analiza semantyczna relacji występujących w ontologii Romana Ingardenia*, "Studia Semiotyczne" XIII (1983), pp. 35–47 [new English edition *Semantic Analysis of Roman's Ingarden's Ontology*, transl. M. Tomaszewska, "Studia Semiotyczne" – English Supplement, XIII 2015 (1983), pp. 35–47].
2. *Problematyka ontologiczna logik nieklasycznych*, "Studia Semiotyczne", XVI/XVII (1990), pp. 217–249 [new English edition *Ontological issues in non-classical logic*, transl. W. Wciórka, "Studia Semiotyczne" – English Supplement XVI–XVII 2015 (1990), pp. 77–118].
3. *System poznawczy jako system reprezentacyjny*, "Filozofia Nauki", XIII (2005), pp. 37–57.

4. *From representation and identification to misrepresentation and misidentification*, “Protosociology”. Special issue: *Compositionality, Concepts, Representation*, Frankfurt a. Main, no. 1 (2006), pp. 95–115.
5. *Naukoznanstwo w perspektywie filozofii*, “Zagadnienia Naukoznanstwa”, 3 (2006), pp. 349–336.
6. *Perceptual identification – representational or not? In search of the cognitive basis for perceptual identification*, “Polish Journal of Philosophy”, vol. II (2008), no. 1, pp. 117–113.
7. *O naturze, rodzajach i sposobie istnienia reprezentacji*, “Analiza i Egzystencja”, special volume of the philosophy of mind, vol. 11 (2010), pp. 155–185.
8. *O ethosie badacza w świetle wyzwań współczesnej nauki. Śladami polskich naukoznanowców*, “Zagadnienia Naukoznanstwa” vol. 1 (2016), pp. 45–62.
9. *Potrzeba i perspektywy badań naukoznanowych w świetle rozwoju nauki i technologii*, “Zagadnienia Naukoznanstwa” vol. 2 (2017), pp. 157–184.

Activity

- Chairwoman of the Editorial Board “Zagadnienia Naukoznanstwa” [Issues of Science Studies] (Science Studies Committee of the Polish Academy of Sciences)
- Member of the Presidium of the Science Studies Committee of the Polish Academy of Sciences (elected for the term of 2015–2018, previously until 2014 for the duration of two terms – a chairwoman)
- Member of the Polish Society of Cognitive Science (co-founder and first president)
- Member of the Polish Philosophical Society (Toruń branch)
- Member of the Editorial Boards of the following magazines: “Analiza i Egzystencja” [Analysis and Existence], “Logos i Ethos” [Logos and Ethos], “Polish Journal of Philosophy”, “Ruch Filozoficzny” [Philosophical Movement] and the series: “Umysł. Prace z filozofii i kognitywistyki” [Mind. Works on Philosophy and Cognitive Science], “Rozprawy z filozofii współczesnej” [Modern Philosophy Treatises] (editor of the series).
- Member of the University Evaluation Committee (2008–2012)
- Active member of the Scientific Society of the Catholic University of Lublin (Faculty of Philosophy)

In the Role of an Expert

Nationwide

2009 – Member of the integration and expert team of humanities of the Polish Academy of Sciences appointed by the President of the 1st Department of the Polish Academy of Sciences. The result: expertise (prepared jointly with P. Kawalec) published in: *Refleksje nad stanem wybranych obszarów nauki w Polsce w ocenie Zespołów Integracyjnych i Integracyjno-Eksperckich PAN*, [Reflections on the condition of selected areas of science in Poland as evaluated by the Integration and Integration-Expert Teams of the Polish Academy of Sciences], ed. M. Grabianowski, Warsaw: PAN 2010.

2010 – invitation by the University Accreditation Committee to participate in the work of expert groups to develop standards for the field of Cognitive Science at Adam Mickiewicz University (2010–2011). The result: standards for a 5-year course of study in Cognitive Science at Adam Mickiewicz University.

In the list of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education – an expert in the field of philosophy of science.

Internationally

2012 – Being elected a member (reviewer) of the international Committee appointed by the French Ministry of Higher Education and Research in the 2012 edition of the competition to select senior members for the 5-year implementation of research at L’Institut Universitaire de France (field: humanities and social sciences. Information available at: Bulletin Officiel N. 11 du 15 mars 2012, Ministere de L’Enseignement Supérieure et de la Recherche.

2014 – Being elected a member of the committee for the title of *doctor scientarum* (doctor of science) by the Czech Academy of Sciences (field – philosophy), term of office: 2014–2017.

2015 – Being elected to the evaluation committee appointed by the Presidium of the Czech Academy of Sciences to evaluate the research (in the period of 2010–2014) conducted by the entities of the Czech Academy of Sciences (in the field of humanities and social sciences), 2015–2016 and 2017–2019.

Professor Żegleń's scientific interests cover quite a wide area of research in the following fields:

1. philosophy of mind and epistemology, both developed in the context of cognitive science (in particular, the issue of mental representations and the content of mental states, consciousness, personal identity);
2. philosophy of science and methodology of science (with references to the Lviv-Warsaw School), as well as interdisciplinary research within science studies;
3. axiology of science and the issue of scientific ethos.

Staff training

Supervisor of 11 doctoral dissertations. Tutor in the Artes Liberales programme, in Student and PhD Students Mobility Programme (MOST), and Interdepartmental Individual Studies in Humanities (MISH).

Internship

Catholic University of Leuven, BelgiumUniversity and Research Centre for Austrian Philosophy in Graz and University of Vienna, AustriaCatholic University of Nijmegen, NetherlandsUniversity of Salzburg, AustriaUniversity of Freiburg, SwitzerlandRutgers University, NJ, Centre for the Cognitive Science, USA.

Guest lectures

University of Konstanz, GermanyCentre for Austrian Philosophy, Graz, Austria.University of Trento and Centro Studi per la Philosophy Mitteleuropa, ItalyUniversity of Graz, AustriaUniversity in Nancy, FranceUniversity of Konstanz, Germany CNRS, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France.