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## **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT**

2007 - Lecturer, Public Administration and Policy, University at Albany, SUNY

## **EDUCATION**

2000 - Sociology, Columbia University, Ph.D. expected 2008  
2004 MPhil in Sociology, Columbia University  
1999-2000 New School University, Sociology  
1998-1999 Master of Arts, Central European University (Poland) – University of Lancaster (UK), Sociology, Society and Politics Track  
1992-1998 Master of Arts, Eötvös Loránd University (Hungary), Hungarian Linguistics and Literature, Translation Studies. Specialization: Sociolinguistics.

## **DISSERTATION**

“Institutional Entrepreneurship and Cross-National Diffusion: The Institutional Development of Civil Society and the Nonprofit Sector in Post-Communist Hungary.”  
Dissertation Committee: Nicole P. Marwell (Chair), Gil Eyal, Debra Minkoff.

## **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Comparative Institutional Development and Institutional Change, Sociology of Organizations and Culture, Organizational Theory and Behavior, Political Sociology, Institutional Entrepreneurship, Civil Society and Nonprofit Organizations, Nonprofits and Public Policy, Post-communist Studies, Qualitative Research Methods.

## **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS**

2004-2005 Social Science Research Council, Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector Program Fellowship, \$18,000.  
2004-2005 Columbia University Travel Fellowship; \$18,500 for dissertation research. Declined.  
2004 PepsiCo-Harriman Institute (Columbia University) Fall Fellowship for Travel and Research in Central and Eastern Europe, competitive travel fellowship, \$2,000.  
2003 Emerging Scholar Award, Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (Arnova).

- 2002, 2003 Cornerhouse Conference Travel Award, Columbia University, competitive travel fellowship.
- 2002 American Sociological Association Student Travel Award to attend annual meeting, competitive travel fellowship.
- 2002 Columbia University GSAS Summer Fellowship, \$2,500.
- 2001 PepsiCo-Harriman Institute Summer Fellowship for Travel and Research, Columbia University, \$2,500.
- 2000-2004 Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fellow, Department of Sociology, Columbia University.
- 2000 Research and Travel Grant from the Center on Organizational Innovation, Columbia University.
- 1999-2000 Graduate Faculty Dean's Fellowship and Scholarship, The New School University, \$17,460.
- 1999-2000 Central European University Supplementary Grant to study at the New School University, \$10,000.
- 1998-1999 Soros Fellowship, Central European University.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Fazekas Erzsébet. Forthcoming. "U.S. Foundation Grantmaking to Post-communist Hungary: Heterogeneity and Strategic Coalitions." In Anna Korhonen and David Lehrer, eds. *Western Aid in Postcommunism: Effects and Side-Effects*, Palgrave MacMillan.
- Fazekas, Erzsébet. 2000. "The 1% Law in Hungary: Private Donation from Public Funds to the Civil Sphere." *The Journal of East European Law* Vol. 7 (3/4): 441-505.
- Fazekas, Erzsébet. 1993. "The Language Use of Drug Addicts." In Jenő Kiss, ed., *Essays on Sociolinguistics (Egyetemi Szociolingvisztikai Dolgozatok)*, ELTE University Press, Budapest, Vol. 1: 42-59.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

- Review of "Development Brokers and Translators: The Ethnography of Aid and Agencies," David Lewis and David Mosse (eds.), *Voluntas* Vol. 18 (4), 2007.
- Review of "Autobiographies of Transformation: Lives in Central and Eastern Europe," Mike F. Keen and Janusz L. Mucha (eds.), *Contemporary Sociology* Vol. 36 (3): 286-287, 2007.
- Review of "Foundations and Public Policy: The Mask of Pluralism," Joan Roelofs, *Voluntas* Vol. 15 (1): 91-93, 2004.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- "Exporting Ideas for Institution Building. U.S. Foundation Grantmaking for Civil Society Development in Post-Communist Hungary, 1989-2004." *American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, November 15, 2007.

- “Exporting Ideas for Institution Building. U.S. Foundation Grantmaking for Civil Society Development in Post-Communist Hungary, 1989-2004.” *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA, March 16, 2007.
- “Building Civil Society. US Private Aid to Hungary and Central Europe.” *Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) Annual Meeting*, Budapest, Hungary, June 30 - July 2, 2005.
- “Made in Hungary But Invented in the United States. Nonprofit Sector Building in Hungary, 1989-2004.” *Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) Annual Meeting*, Los Angeles, CA, November 19, 2004.
- “The Institutional Development of the Nonprofit Sector in Hungary: Practices, Discourses and Models.” Dissertation workshop of the *SSRC Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector Program*, Los Angeles, CA, November 15-17, 2004.
- “Organizational Modeling Through Nonprofit Management Training,” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, August 15, 2004.
- “Farewell to Civil Society Assistance: the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe,” Sixth Biennial Conference of the *International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR)*, Toronto, Canada, July 13, 2004.
- “Trust In/For Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe.” *Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC, July 10, 2004.
- “Cutting the Cord: Phasing out U.S. Civil Society Aid to Central and Eastern Europe.” *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, New York, NY, February 21, 2004.
- “Metaorganizations: A Model of Infrastructure Building for the Nonprofit Sector.” *Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) Annual Meeting*, Denver, CO, November 21, 2003.
- “Scripting Nonprofit Sectoral Development In Hungary.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Section on Political Sociology Paper Session, Atlanta, GA, August 17, 2003.
- “Creating the Nonprofit Sector in Hungary. When is a Field Formed?” *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA, February 28, 2003.
- “Mission: Civil Society Development. Raising Nonprofit Organizations and Shaping Nonprofitness in Hungary.” Paper presented at the *Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Canada, November 16, 2002.
- “Institutionalizing Cyberspace for Civil Society Use.” *New Spaces for Civil Society in Latin America and Eastern Europe Conference*, New York, April 20, 2001.
- “Liberal Thought and Visions of the State in Contemporary Hungary.” *Bremen - Warsaw Seminar on “Democracy in Theory (Rawls, Habermas et al) and the East European Reality”*, Bremen, Germany, June 21-26, 1999.
- “The 1% Law in Hungary. Citizen Donation from Public Funds to Civil Society. Exploration into the World of Marketing the Common Good.” *Bremen - Warsaw Seminar on Civil Society, Market and Democracy, Legal Consciousness and Legal Reforms After 1989/91 and Their Influence on Citizens Activity*, February 15-19, 1999.

## **OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2001-2004 Research Assistant for Prof. Nicole Marwell, Sociology Department and Latino/a Studies Program, Columbia University, NY. Coding and quantitative analysis of government contracts to New York City nonprofits for the project "Contracting Out Social Provision: Tracking the Geographic Distribution of Public Funding to Nonprofit Organizations."

2003-2004 Research Assistant for Prof. Dana R. Fisher, Sociology Department, Columbia University, NY. Assist in survey design, data collection/analysis and literature review on epistemic communities for project "Millennium Ecosystem Assessment."

2002 - 2003 Research Consultant, Community Collaboration Program, Nonprofit Resource Center Network, Hungary. Assisted in research design on forms of collaboration and interest representation among nonprofits in Hungary. Assist editing final product into book.

Summer 2001 Volunteer Web Content Manager and Consultant at a Hungarian nonprofit metaorganization (as part of preliminary dissertation research).

4/2000-2001 Research Associate on the project "Charting The Web of Civil Society: NGOs' Use of Interactive Technologies in Central and Eastern Europe" led by Profs. David Stark and Jonathan Bach, Center on Organizational Innovation, Columbia University. Researched (in-depth interviews) the use of information technologies by nonprofits in Hungary and Poland.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Graduate Level Nonprofits and Public Policy (Master's Level)

Teaching Assistant Civil Society, Environmental Sociology, Immigrant Experience, Introduction to Sociology, Minorities and Ethnic Groups, Sociology of Health Care, Qualitative Research Methods (Sociology Department, Columbia University & Barnard College)

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association (ASA)

Eastern Sociological Society (ESS)

Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA)

International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR)

Nonprofit Organizations in Economy and Society, Columbia University

Center on Organizational Innovation (COI), Columbia University

## **MANUSCRIPT AND BOOK REVIEWER**

American Journal of Sociology

Contemporary Sociology

Voluntas

## **OTHER SERVICE**

- 2005, 2006 Volunteer translator for several Hungarian nonprofit organizations.
- March 24, 2005 Discussant at SSRC Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector Program's Capstone Conference, Florence, Italy.
- 2003, 2004 Chairing Panels "Examining System Change: Civil Society, Grassroots, Social Capital," "Building Capacity in the Third Sector" at the 2003 and 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA).
- 2003 Volunteer Reviewer, Nonprofit Management Knowledge Hub, Nonprofit Management Program, Milano Graduate School, New School University.
- 10/1998 – 1/1999 Student Representative and Member of Senate, Central European University.
- 11/1991 Representative of Hungary at the European Youth Parliament, Lisbon, Portugal.

## **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 9/2005 – 8/2006 *Executive Officer*, Central European University, based at the Open Society Institute, New York.
- 1/1997 – 7/1998 *Admissions Coordinator*, Central European University, Budapest.