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## **The Mission of the Kosciuszko Foundation**

Founded in 1925, the Kosciuszko Foundation is dedicated to promoting and strengthening understanding and friendship between the peoples of Poland and the United States through educational, scientific and cultural exchanges and other related programs and activities. It awards fellowships and grants to graduate student scholars, scientists, professionals and artists and helps to increase the visibility and prestige of Polish culture in America's pluralistic society by sponsoring exhibits, publications, film festivals, performing arts such as concerts and recitals, and assists other institutions with similar goals.



## **U.S. and Polish Academic Advisory Committee**

The Foundation would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere appreciation to the members of the U.S. and Polish Academic Advisory Committees, whose members review and interview all of the applicants for the Fellowships and Grants Program.

The 2011 U.S. Academic Committee is composed of:

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## **EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR POLISH CITIZENS**

**KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS** are awarded annually to Polish citizens for advanced study/research and teaching at universities, institutions of higher learning and scientific/medical centers in the United States.

Under the program, The Foundation awards Fellowships to postgraduate scholars, professionals or artists with degrees. Grants are awarded to those without doctoral degrees. Fellowships and Grants are awarded for 3, 6, or 10-month periods, depending on the nature and scope of the research project, the recommendations of the American institution of higher learning, and the U.S. and Polish Academic Advisory Committees.

During fiscal year 2011, 20 Polish scholars and scientists successfully completed their scholarly and scientific projects, receiving nearly **\$300,000** in support from the Foundation.

The Fellows and Grantees had been carefully chosen for the program in a highly selective process of screening, including personal interviews in Warsaw. Among them, there were six Teaching Fellowships as part of continuous support for Polish Studies programs at various American Universities since 1992.

During the 2010/11 academic year, the Foundation sponsored Teaching Fellowships at: University of Connecticut at Storrs; University of Indiana at Bloomington, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York and Hunter College, City University of New York.

In addition to funding, the Foundation provides support to the Fellows and Grantees prior to their arrival and during their stay in the United States. Every effort is made to help the participants and their families with travel, housing, medical insurance, visa and U.S. Homeland Security procedures. Foundation staff contact Fellows and Grantees frequently throughout their stay in the United States, and whenever feasible conduct exit interviews and receive a final written activities report from each participants.



## Scholarships in the Humanities

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Subject of Research/Study</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Fund</b>
<b>BOGDANOWSKA, Monika</b>	Assistant Professor, Institute of Polish Literary Studies, University of Silesia in Katowice	Two month Fellowship to conduct research on forms of inequality of discourse at Department of Philosophy, Heyman Center for the Humanities, Columbia University with Professor Akeel Bilgrami	<b>\$7,180</b>	<b>Walter Jarzembki Scholarship Fund</b>
<b>CHODKIEWICZ, Halina</b>	Associate Professor, English Department, Maria Curie Sklodowska University	Three month Fellowship to conduct research on most recent advances in second language reading development for textbook for foreign language teachers at the English Language Center, The Center for Language Education and Research, The Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages, Michigan State University, East Lansing with Professor Susan Gass	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>The Jan Paul Zaleski Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>
<b>JAROSZ, Ewelina</b>	Ph.D. candidate in Art History, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan	Three month Grant to conduct research for her doctoral dissertation: <i>Figures of Unrepresentational: (Inter) Relations of Time and Art in Painting of Mark Rothko, Barnett Newman and Clyford Still</i> at the University of Texas at Austin with Professor Richard Shiff.	<b>\$7,650</b>	<b>Irene Frees Fund</b>
<b>KACZMARCZYK, Michal</b>	Ph.D. in Sociology, Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun - 2003	Three month Fellowship to teach courses in Polish Studies Program at the University at Buffalo and to conduct research on "Solidarity" versus Religion and Secularism.	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>



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<b>MANCEWICZ, Aneta</b>	Assistant Professor, Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz	Three month Fellowship to conduct research on contemporary adaptations of Shakespeare which could be considered examples of post-dramatic theater at the City University of New York with Professor Daniel Geruld	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>NOWOZYCKI, Bartosz</b>	Ph.D. candidate in History, Faculty of History, University of Warsaw; archivist, Central Archives of Modern Records in Warsaw	Five month Grant to conduct research on the role of PIASA during the cold war period in supporting the independent thought and culture in the United States at the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America in New York City with Professor Thaddeus V. Gromada	<b>\$11,710</b>	<b>The Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>OLEKSY, Elzbieta</b>	Full Professor of Humanities and Chair of Department of Transatlantic and Media Studies, University of Lodz	Three month Fellowship to conduct research on <i>Visual Citizenship. Audience Analysis of Intersectional Film and TV Series</i> project at University of California, Berkeley with Professor Mary Elizabeth Berry	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>SENDYKA, Roma</b>	Assistant Professor, Department of Polish Philology, Jagiellonian University	Three month Fellowship to conduct research on the impact of the recent literary theories of art, art criticism and the history of art at the University of Chicago with Professor Bozena Shallcross	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>ROGOWSKA-STANGRET, Monika</b>	Ph.D. candidate in Philosophy, Graduate School for Social Research, Polish Academy of Science in Warsaw	Three month Grant to conduct research towards her doctoral dissertation on <i>The Body as a Philosophical Category and its Normative Implications</i> at the Women's and Gender Studies Department, School of Arts and	<b>\$7,650</b>	<b>Irene Fees Fund</b>





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		Sciences, Rutgers University with Professors Joanna Regulska and Elisabeth Grosz		
<b>STOBIECKI, Rafal</b>	Professor, Chair of the History of Historiography - University of Lodz	Three month Fellowship to conduct research on Polish historiography in exile after 1945 at the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America in New York with Professor Tadeusz V. Gromada, Professor Piotr S. Wandycz, Yale University, Prof. Mieczyslaw B. Biskupski, Central Connecticut State University, Professor Anna Cienciala, Kansas University, Dr. John Micgiel, Columbia University	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>The Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>WAGNER, Izabela</b>	Associate Professor in Sociology, Faculty of Philosophy and Sociology, University of Warsaw	Five month Fellowship to conduct research on the process of transitional professionals in life science research environment at Harvard University, Department of Sociology with Professor Michele Lamont	<b>\$14,100</b>	<b>The Tadeusz Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>WASKIEWICZ, Andrzej</b>	Assistant Professor, Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw	Three month Fellowship to conduct research towards his book on his project: <i>The Idea of Representation and its Paradoxes</i> at Boston College with Professor Mark O'Connor	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>Tarski Fund and Roehr Fund</b>



## Polish Studies Scholars

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Subject of Research/Study</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Fund</b>
<b>DEMBOWSKA-WOSIK, Iwona</b>	Assistant Professor, Department of Applied and Cultural Linguistics, University of Lodz	Ten month Teaching Fellowship to conduct comparative research for her doctoral thesis on certificate exams of Polish as a foreign language and to teach Polish language in the Polish Studies Program at Indiana University, Bloomington	<b>\$25,500</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>KOLBUSZEWSKA, Zofia</b>	Assistant Professor, Department of American Literature and Culture, Catholic University of Lublin	Ten month Teaching Fellowship to teach courses in Polish Studies Program at the University at Buffalo. Invited by Professor Janian Brutt-Griffler, Director of Polish Studies Program	<b>\$25,500</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>PAMULA, SALOMEA</b>	Assistant Professor, Center of the Polish Language and Culture of the World, Jagiellonian University	Ten month Teaching Fellowship to teach courses in the Polish Studies Program at the University of Connecticut at Storrs	<b>\$25,500</b>	<b>Stanislas Chylinski Fund</b>



## Scholarships in the Sciences

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Subject of Research/Study</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Fund</b>
<b>CAPINSKI, Maciej</b>	Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow	Four month Fellowship to conduct research on instability of trajectories in space mission design to investigate the rate of diffusion of energy for missions based on elliptic Jupiter-Sun-system restricted three body problem at the University of Texas at Austin, Department of Mathematics with Professor Rafael de la Llave	<b>\$11,360</b>	<b>The Tadeusz Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>HARCIAREK, Michal</b>	Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Gdansk	Three month Fellowship to conduct research on emotional experience in patients with early to moderate Alzheimer's Disease at the Department of Neurology, College of Medicine, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida with Professor Kenneth M. Heiman	<b>\$9,970</b>	<b>Antoni S. Repeczko Scholarship Fund</b>
<b>KOZLOWSKA- MARKOWSKA, Anna</b>	Assistant Professor, Poznan University of Medical Sciences, Department of Tumor Immunology	Five month Fellowship to conduct research on myeloma cell at the City of Hope Beckman Research Institute, Department of Cancer Immunotherapeutics & Tumor Immunology with Professor Hua (Eleanor) Yu	<b>\$14,100</b>	<b>The Tadeusz Sendzimir Fund</b>



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<b>PLOCH, Izabela</b>	Assistant Professor, Geological Museum, Polish Geological Institute National Research Institute	Four month Fellowship to conduct comparative study of ammonites fauna of the United States Western Interior and Polish Lowland at the American Museum of Natural History in New York with Mr. Neil H. Landman, Curator-in-Charge	<b>\$11,360</b>	<b>The Tadeusz Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>WIERZBOWSKA, Izabela</b>	Senior Lecturer, Department of Conservation Biology & Ecology Education, Jagiellonian University	Five month Fellowship to teach wildlife biology, conservation and management at the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservative Biology, Colorado State University and to conduct research on trophic relations of urban carnivore communities with Professor Kenneth R. Wilson	<b>\$14,100</b>	<b>Wanda Roehr Fund</b>

## Special and Travel Grants 2010/2011

AMOUNT	PURPOSE	GRANT
<b>\$17,803.80</b>	To Professor Maria Dzieduszycka for teaching Polish Literature and Language courses in the Polish Studies Program at Hunter College, City University of New York.	<b>Feliks and Harriet Basista Scholarship Fund</b>
<b>\$5,000</b>	To the Buffalo Philharmonic in support of celebration of the 200 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Frederic Chopin, featuring pianist Berenika Zakrzewski who will perform Chopin's Piano Concert #2 and pieces by Karol Szymanowski.	<b>Anne Felicya Cierpik Fund</b>
<b>\$5,000</b>	To Professor Krzysztof Koehler (an annual grant of \$20,000) towards a new publication project entitled <i>Francesco Stancaro and Stanislaw Orzechowski discussion about State and a Church</i> .	<b>The Publication of Old Polish Literature Fund established by Professors Eva and James Thompson of Rice University</b>
<b>\$5,000</b>	To Xu Han for first prize scholarship award in Chopin Piano Competition which took place at the KF's House on April 8-9, 2011.	<b>Anne Felicya Cierpik Fund</b>
<b>\$3,000</b>	To Joyoung Park for second prize scholarship award in Chopin Piano Competition which took place at the KF's House on April 8-9, 2011.	<b>Anne Felicya Cierpik Fund</b>



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<b>\$2,547.69</b>	o Professor Janusz Golas, AGH University of Science and Technology, Department of Environmental Engineering Sponsorship Agreement dated February 2000 between the Kosciuszko Foundation and AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow) in support of the attendance of Prof. Jerzy Lis and Prof. Zbigniew Kakol at the Polish-Silicon Valley Technology Symposium held in California in December 2010. Also, one-year scholarship for environmental engineering Ph.D. student Anna Okonska.	<b>The Tadeusz Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>\$2,000</b>	To Professor Janusz Golas, AGH University of Science and Technology, Department of Environmental Engineering (Sponsorship Agreement dated February 2000 between the Kosciuszko Foundation and AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow) in support of the Nationwide Competition in Chemistry for High School Students. Also, to cover expenses associated with the attendance of Ph.D. student Ms. Katarzyna Sosnowska and Dr. Katarzyna Styszko in the Scientific Conference and International Conference ECOpole'10.	<b>The Tadeusz Sendzimir Fund</b>
<b>\$2,000</b>	To Dr. Justyna Kuziak of Warsaw Polytechnic, Department of Building Materials Engineering, Warsaw University of Technology for her outstanding doctoral dissertation in the field of Material Science.	<b>Michal Smialowski Memorial Award</b>
<b>\$2,000</b>	To Pulaski Memorial Parade Committee, Inc. towards expenses connected with the 74 <sup>th</sup> Annual Pulaski Day Parade in New York City held on October 2, 2011.	<b>The Stanslas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>\$2,000</b>	To the Warsaw boy choir, <i>Cantores Minores</i> , towards the expenses of their summer 2010 tour promoting Polish music in the United States. Among other Polish composers their program includes works of Karol Szymanowski.	<b>Anne Felicya Cierpik Fund</b>
<b>\$1,500</b>	In support of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Chicago Polish Film Festival presenting the most recent achievements of Polish cinema, November 5-21, 2010.	<b>The Stanslas Chylinski Fund</b>
<b>\$1,490</b>	To the Faculty of Physics, Nicolaus Copernicus University for the membership and annual subscription of the 2011 <i>Polymer Preprints</i> of American Chemical Society.	<b>Mrozowski Scholarly Journal Fund</b>
<b>\$1,000</b>	To Ms. Dominika Budzanowska (an annual grant of \$20,000) an honorarium for her translation work from Latin to Polish on a publication project entitled <i>Francesco Stancaro and Stanislaw Orzechowski discussion about State and a Church</i> .	<b>The Publication of Old Polish Literature Fund established by Professors Eva and James Thompson of Rice University</b>
<b>\$1,000</b>	To Society for Arts in support of the screening of Aleksander Fredro's "Sluby Panienskie". The film will be featured at the Guild Theater on October 24 <sup>th</sup> in New York City.	<b>The Cultural Fund</b>



## **The Domestic Scholarship Programs**

Scholarships to Americans and Polish Americans, known informally as the "domestic" programs, form an integral part of the Kosciuszko Foundation's Educational programs. Four separate programs comprise the Domestic Scholarship Program:

- The Domestic Tuition Scholarship Program for Graduate Studies
- The Graduate and Post-graduate Study and Research Program for Americans in Poland
- The Year Abroad Program in Poland, and
- The Summer Study Abroad Program

The Foundation awarded scholarships to 86 Americans at American Universities, comprised of Polish Americans and Americans who are studying primarily Polish studies, for total scholarship proceeds of \$205,150.

### **Domestic Tuition Scholarships**

The Kosciuszko Foundation awards Domestic Tuition Scholarships to Polish Americans, Americans studying Polish subjects, and Poles who are permanent residents of the United States to pursue graduate studies in the United States.

The Tuition Scholarships are granted on a competitive basis to full time students at accredited American universities who have an excellent academic record and who are able to demonstrate a strong sense of identification with the Polish American community and with Polish culture in general.

Though the majority of scholarships are designated for graduate study, a limited number are available for undergraduate study. In order to achieve a fair and reasonable diversity amongst grantees, in determining awards, consideration is given to a number of factors, including the age, scholarly affiliation, geographic region and gender of the applicants.

For the 2010/2011 academic year 61 undergraduate and graduate students received \$158,200 in Tuition Scholarships.



## Domestic Tuition Scholarships 2010-2011

Name	Purpose	Fund	Amount
Batchan, Helen of Teaneck, NJ	For junior year of undergraduate studies in Slavic Literature, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY	Polish American Club of North Jersey Fund	\$600
Baumert, Michael of Wadsworth, IL	For second year of graduate studies in Law, George Washington University, Washington, DC	Pope John Paul II Scholarship	\$3,000
Biegaj, Urszula of Chicago, IL	For first year of graduate studies in Russian and East European Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL	Richard Sobieraj Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Blaszkiewicz, Jacek of Staten Island, NY	For first year of graduate studies in Music History, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY	Edwin L Harasimowicz Scholarship Trust Fund	\$2,000
Bolt, Agnes of Pittsburgh, PA	For second year of graduate studies in Fine Arts, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA	Victoria Kokernak Scholarship Fund	\$3,000
Borowicz, Mariusz of Chicago, IL	For third year graduate studies in Dentistry, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL	The Dr. Edward and Maria Nowicki Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Ciecierski, Caroline of East Rutherford, NJ	For sophomore year of undergraduate studies in Public Health, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ	Polish American Club of North Jersey Fund	\$1,250
Czarniecki Marcin of Chicago, IL	For graduate studies in Medicine, Medical University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland	Ted and Walter Wysocki Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Czepiel, Teresa of Ludlow, MA	For second year of graduate studies in	The Josephine Wall and	\$4,000



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	Occupational Therapy, Tufts University, Medford, MA	Ignatius Wall Scholarship Fund	
Czerwien, Christy of Amarillo, TX	For second year of graduate studies in East Asian Studies Japanese History, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	Irena and Damian Wandycz Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Fertala, Katarzyna of Voorhees NJ	For second year of graduate studies in Law, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD	Floyd and Irene McKain/ John and Helen Genza Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Fiedorek, Kara of New York, NY	For first year of graduate studies in Art History, Stanford University, Stanford, CA	Floyd and Irene McKain/ John and Helen Genza Scholarship Fund	\$3,000
Figus, Elizabeth OF Bradley Beach, NJ	For first year of graduate studies in Central and Eastern European Studies, Jagiellonian University, Krakow	Ted and Walter Wysocki Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Filochowski, Piotr of Hamden, CT	For graduate studies in Violin Performance, Yale School of Music, New Haven, CT	Monica and Frank Stanitski Music Fund	\$5,000
Frydel, Tomasz of Woodlynne, NJ	For first year of graduate studies in Polish-Jewish History, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA	Sophia Grodzicka Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Galazyn, Magdalena of Edison, NJ	For third year of graduate studies in Developmental Psychology, Graduate Center, City University of New York, New York, NY	Sophia Grodzicka Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Glickman, Michael of Annandale, VA	For second year of graduate studies in Medicine, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL	The Dr. Edward and Maria Nowicki Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$2,000





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Grajewski, Robert of Statesville, NC	For first year of graduate studies in Business Administration, Columbia University, New York, NY	Kosciuszko Foundation Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Gubernat, Tamara of Brooklyn, NY	For final year of studies in Integrated Media Art, Hunter College, New York, NY	Floyd and Irene McKain/ John and Helen Genza Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Hospodar, Timothy of Goldens Bridge, NY	For second year of graduate studies in Performance & Interactive Media Arts, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY	Floyd and Irene McKain/ John and Helen Genza Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Howard, Barbara of Albuquerque, NM	For doctoral studies in Clinical Psychology, Fielding Graduate University, Santa Barbara, CA	\$1,000 from the Joseph Nowak Fund and \$1,000 from the Sophia Grodzicka Fund	\$2,000
Hubert Brown, Dagmara of New York, NY	For second year of graduate studies in International Finance and Economic and Political Development, Columbia University, New York, NY	Victoria Kokernak Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Irace, Krista of Greentown, NY	For second year of graduate studies in Library and Information Science, Long Island University, Brookville, NY	White Eagle Branch 41, Polish Workers Fund	\$2,000
Janowski, Vanessa of Pasadena, CA	For final year of doctoral studies in Neuroeconomics, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA	Edward C. Smith Scholarship Fund	\$3,000
Kiebala, Richard of Chicago, IL Chikiebcago, IL	for third year of graduate studies in Pharmacy, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL. for third year of graduate studies in Pharmacy, Universit	Jerome and Mary Straka Scholarship	\$2,000



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King, Melissa Victoria of Bellevue, WA	for final year of graduate studies in Law, Columbia University, New York, NY	Floyd and Irene McKain/ John and Helen Genza Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Kolak, Marynia of Chicago, IL	for third year of graduate studies in Creative Writing, Roosevelt University, Chicago, IL.	Albert Spiezny Scholarship	\$2,000
Kosmicki, Krzysztof Brooklyn, NY	for first year of graduate studies in International and World History, Columbia University, New York, NY.	\$1,000 from the Kosciuszko Foundation Scholarship Fund and \$3,000 from Victoria Kokernak Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Kreslake, Jennifer of Cambridge, MA	For first year of doctoral studies in Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.	The Josephine Wall and Ignatius Wall Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Kuzian, Edyta of Ventnor, NJ	For doctoral studies in Philosophy, New School University, New York, NY.	Stan Lesny Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Kwiecien, Michal of Harwood Heights, IL	For doctoral studies in Modern East European History, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland	Ted and Walter Wysocki Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Laroussi, Joanna of Astoria, NY	For first year of graduate studies in Geography, Hunter College, City University of New York, New York, NY.	Stan Lesny Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Lentner, Michael of Florence, MA	For sophomore year of studies in Business, Virginia Polytechnic and State University, Blacksburg, VA.	Massachusetts Federation of Polish Women's Clubs Fund	\$1,250



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Maska, Natalia of Almont, MI	For second year of graduate studies in Health Administration and Policy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.	The Joseph Nowak Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Maticka, Samantha of Ringwood, NJ	For senior year of undergraduate studies in Theology, Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD.	Polish American Club of North Jersey Fund	\$900
Mrozek, Julie of New Castle, PA	For third year of doctoral studies in Podiatric Medicine, Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine, Independence, OH.	The Dr. Edward and Maria Nowicki Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$3,000
Olcon, Katarzyna of Burbank, IL	For second year of graduate studies in Social Work, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL.	Sophia Grodzicka Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Oldak, Katarzyna of Germantown, MD	for second year of graduate studies in Physics, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.	Stan Lesny Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Orlik, Aleksander of Carmel, IN	for second year of graduate studies in Dentistry, Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN.	Victoria Kokernak Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Ostrowski, Magdalena of Parsippany, NJ	for second year of graduate studies in School and Clinical Psychology, Kean University, Union, NJ.	Victoria Kokernak Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Parzych, Julia of Auburn, MA	for second year of studies in Medicine, University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA.	Dr. Marie Zakrzewska Medical Scholarship	\$3,500
Pawlak, Malgorzata of Riverhead, NY	for first year of graduate studies in Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Medford, MA.	Floyd and Irene McKain/ John and Helen Genza Scholarship Fund	\$3,000



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Pierce, Shelley of Bath, NY	for first year of graduate studies in Management, Keuka College, Keuka Park, NY.	\$2,000 from Sobieraj Scholarship Fund and \$1,000 from the Kazimiera Adrian Adrianowska Scholarship Fund	\$3,000
Potoski, Eline of Monterey, MA	for first year of graduate studies in Social Work, Smith College, Northampton, MA.	The Josephine Wall and Ignatius Wall Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Powanda-Winburn, Allysha of Shillington PA	for doctoral studies in Forensic Anthropology, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.	Stan Lesny Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Przybylek, Matthew of Wilmington, DE	for first year of graduate studies in Modern European Studies, Columbia University, New York, NY.	The Josephine Wall and Ignatius Wall Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Sadowski, Maciej of Brooklyn, NY	for third year of undergraduate studies in Biology, St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn, NY.	Polish National Alliance of Brooklyn, USA, Inc. Fund	\$2,000
Salomon, Benjamin of Haymarket, VA	For first year of graduate studies in Business, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.	\$3,000 Smith Fund and \$2,000 The Arthur and Genevieve Roth Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Salter, Jennifer of Morehead, NC	For second year of graduate studies in Gerontology, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, NC.	The Michalina and Herman Zimber Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
Sczepanik, Darcy of Hobson, TX	For third year of graduate studies in Optometry, University of Houston, Houston, TX.	Stan Lesny Scholarship Fund	\$2,000



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Sikorski, John of South Bend, IN	For doctoral studies in Moral Theology, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN.	The Josephine Wall and Ignatius Wall Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Smolenski, Natalie of Cambridge, MA	For first year of graduate studies in Anthropology and History, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.	Massachusetts Federation of Polish Women's Clubs Fund	\$1,250
Szmal, Patricia of Freehold, NJ	For second year of graduate studies in Medicine, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.	The Michalina and Herman Zimber Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Tokarz, Katarzyna of Westborough, MA	For second year of graduate studies in Russian, Eurasian and East European Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.	John C. Kierzkowski Scholarship Fund	\$4,000
Wiley Knepper, Amanda of Warsaw, IN	For first year of graduate studies in Physical Therapy, Midwestern University, Downers Grove, IL.	Rev. Paul J. Miskowicz Scholarship Fund	\$3,000
Williams, Kinga of Amityville, NY	For first year of graduate studies as a Physician's Assistant, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY.	Sophia Grodzicka Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Wis, Sandra of Clifton, NJ	For sophomore year of undergraduate studies in English, Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ.	Polish American Club of North Jersey Fund	\$700
Wojciechowska, Izabela of El Paso, TX	for second year of graduate studies in Creative NonFiction and Literary Translation, Columbia University, New York, NY.	Albert Spiezny Scholarship	\$4,000
Wojcieszek-Arjomand, Ksenia of Tonawanda NY	for third year of graduate studies in Counselor Education, State University of New York, Buffalo, Buffalo, NY.	The Josephine Wall and Ignatius Wall Scholarship Fund	\$1,000



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Yeo, Patrick of Peabody, MA

For junior year of studies in Civil & Environmental Engineering, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA.

Massachusetts                      \$1,250  
Federation of Polish  
Women's Clubs Fund

Zoch, Kathryn of Hackensack, NJ

For second year of graduate studies in Teaching Mathematics, Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ.

Polish American Club of        \$1,500  
North Jersey Fund

**TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS:                      \$158,200**



## THE YEAR ABROAD PROGRAM IN POLAND 2010/2011

The Year Abroad Program offers American students the opportunity to study Polish language, history, literature and culture in Poland for college credit at the undergraduate level at the Jagiellonian University's Center for Polish Language and Culture in the World. The program is sponsored by the Kosciuszko Foundation in cooperation with the Polish Ministry of National Education. Students receive tuition, housing and a monthly stipend towards living expenses from the Polish government. The Kosciuszko Foundation awards additional grants as subsidies for living expenses. **Funding is provided by the Ted and Walter Wysocki Scholarship Fund.**

<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Ashley Piotrowski of Grand Rapids, MI	Undergraduate senior majoring in Psychology at Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI.	\$1,350
Camille Gajewski of Erie, PA	Undergraduate senior majoring in Comparative Literature Yale University, New Haven, CT.	\$1,350
Christina Joelle Groshek Pittsville, WI	B.A. in Political Science, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, WI.	\$675
Eliza Rose of Chicago, IL	Undergraduate senior majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies in the Humanities, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.	\$1,350
Emilia Ptak of Seattle, WA	Undergraduate senior majoring in Political Science, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.	1,350
Florence Maher of Portland, OR	Undergraduate junior majoring in Journalism at Howard University, Washington, DC.	\$675
Joseph Maciuba of Notre Dame, IN	Undergraduate senior majoring in Biochemistry and German, Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, IN.	\$1,350
Margaret Wyporek of Cambridge, MA	Graduate student majoring in Arts in Education, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA	\$1,350



Olympia Leichner of Jersey City, NJ	Undergraduate senior majoring in Art and Visual Culture at Webster University, St. Louis, MO.	\$1,350
Scotia Gilroy of Corvallis, OR	B.A. in Literature, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, B.C., Canada. To study Polish language in order to pursue further studies in literature and translation.	\$1,350
<b>Ted and Walter Wysocki Scholarship Fund</b>		
<b>YEAR ABROAD IN POLAND SCHOLARSHIP:</b>		<b>\$12,150</b>

## GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH IN POLAND 2010/2011

In cooperation with the Polish Ministry of National Education, the Foundation selects and recommends American students and scholars to study and undertake independent research projects in Poland towards Masters, Ph.D. or post-doctoral degrees. The program is also open to university faculty who wish to spend a sabbatical conducting research in Poland. Grants are awarded for an academic year or semester. Participants in the program received a tuition waiver (if applicable), housing and a stipend for living expenses from the Polish Ministry. Grantees also received funding from the Foundation to subsidize the modest overall grants from the Polish Ministry. Funding is provided by the Ted and Walter Wysocki Scholarship Fund.

Grantee	Purpose	Amount
Naumann, Stephen of Saint Paul, MN	To conduct research on "In sight and out of Mind: Contested Memories of Poznan's Imperial Palace." at the Institute of History, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan, Poland with Prof. Rafal Witkowski.	\$2,250
<b>GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH IN POLAND:</b>		<b>\$2,250</b>





## **SUMMER STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM 2011**

### **TOMASZKIEWICZ-FLORIO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SUMMER STUDIES AT THE JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY, CRACOW**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Scholarship</b>
Bekeny, Jenna of Erie, PA	A senior at Mercyhurst Preparatory High School, Erie, PA	\$2,325
Chmielewski, Stephanie of Parma, OH	A junior majoring in Nursing at Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH	\$2,325
Crandon, Lauren of Lawrence, KS	A sophomore majoring in neurobiology at University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS	\$2,325
Kawashima, Lidia of Sunrise, FL	A sophomore majoring in Graphic Design at University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL	\$2,325
Kruszewski, Adam of Gaithersburg, MD	A sophomore majoring in biochemistry at University of Maryland, Gaithersburg, MD	\$2,325
Majcherczyk, Michael of Wallington, NJ	A junior majoring in Business Administration, Montclair University, Montclair, NJ	\$2,325
Maksimiuk, Justyna of New York, NY	A senior majoring in Legal Studies at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY	\$2,325
Malek, Barbara of Williamsport, PA	A junior majoring in International Business and Marketing, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA	\$2,325
Marszalkowski, Emily of Virginia Beach, VA	A freshman majoring in Psychology at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA	\$2,325



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<b>Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Scholarship</b>
Maselek, Ewa of Philadelphia, PA	A junior majoring in Painting/Sculpting, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA	\$2,325
Post, Brian of Easthampton, MA	A senior majoring in Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA	\$2,325
Sasara, Joanna of Chicago, IL	A sophomore majoring in Math at Dominican University, River Forest, IL	\$2,325
Sredzienski, Steven of Apex, NC	A senior majoring in Finance at University of North Carolina, Wilmington, NC	\$2,325
Wasilewski, Weronika of Hoffman Estates, IL	A high school senior at Schaumburg High School, Schaumburg, IL	\$2,325
<b>TOMASZKIEWICZ-FLORIO SCHOLARSHIPS:</b>		<b>\$ 32,550</b>



## **Annual Dinner and Ball**

On April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, The Kosciuszko Foundation celebrated its 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner and Ball in the Grand Ballroom of New York's elegant Waldorf=Astoria Hotel.

This year, The Kosciuszko Foundation Medal of Recognition was awarded to Mike Krzyzewski, legendary Duke University basketball head coach of the Blue Devils for 31 years and 12-time National Coach of the Year.

Mr. Alexander R. Koproski and Mrs. Patricia A. Koproski served as the Ball Chairmen.

Under the patronage of Mrs. Nancy M. Nareski, two young ladies: Emily Ann Casey of Birmingham, AL and Anna Moszczynski of Madison, NJ were presented as debutantes at the Ball. Ms. Dawn Polewac served as the Honorary Chairwoman of the Debutante Council.

The Annual Dinner and Ball functions as an opportunity for friends and supporters of the Kosciuszko Foundation to gather and honor those who have made significant contributions to the arts, sciences, history, and literature, as well as to honor young women, bright, talented and ambitious, who seek to walk in the footsteps of those honored.

Guests in attendance this year watched as the masters of ceremonies guided the Ball through a host of traditions, such as the chorus of trumpeters from the Fanfare Squadron of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, and the singing of both the Polish and the United States National Anthems by Miss Helen Mary Tyszka, Soprano. The Polish American Folk Dance Company performed to the music of Frederick Chopin, and led the guests in the traditional Polonaise.



## **Affiliate Groups**

Affiliate Groups play an important role in furthering the Kosciuszko Foundation's goals. They comprise of individuals who are focused on certain special interests within the broader activities of the Kosciuszko Foundation, and often feature their own membership rosters and officers, addressing many of the Foundation's specific needs.

### **The National Advisory Council**

The National Advisory Council is composed of several individual members of the Kosciuszko Foundation, as well as presidents of the Kosciuszko Foundation's eight Chapters. The Council is designed to benefit from broad representation throughout the United States providing the Board of Trustees with valuable advice on how to expand membership and donations, by highlighting and discussing current trends amongst the Foundation's target groups, and developing ideas on how to attract new membership and donations given these trends. Its members are longtime Foundation members who have their finger on the pulse of the Foundation, its philosophy, and its future.

### **Chapters of the Kosciuszko Foundation**

The Kosciuszko Foundation chapters play a vital role in maintaining the Foundation's reputation as a nationwide organization. Run strictly by local volunteers who commit considerable time and effort to the task of soliciting members in their geographic areas, organizing local concerts, awards banquets, and other key fundraising events, representatives of the Kosciuszko Foundation's eight chapters act as local ambassadors, promoting the Foundation's mission in local regions.

Through the participation of local chapter presidents on the National Advisory Council, chapters also help keep the Board of Trustees, officers, and staff informed of local trends in local communities, and instrumental role in assisting the Foundation to expand membership.



## **The Pro Arte League**

For all those visitors to the Foundation House who find it an aesthetic and hospitable place to visit, they can thank the Pro Arte League.

Founded by women members of the Kosciuszko Foundation in 1970 with a mission to raise funds for the preservation and beautification of the public rooms for the Kosciuszko Foundation house, the Pro Arte League has played an indispensable role in keeping the Foundation House in its current pristine condition. Beginning with fashion show fundraisers in the early part of its history, the League now uses its annual fundraising luncheon as a showcase for young

Polish-American musicians and other fine Polish and Polish American performing artists.

## **The Polish American Teachers Association**

Polish American Teachers Association (PATA) was founded in 1973 in order to help accurately inform the American public about Poland and the role and contributions of Polish Americans in American society. PATA's relationship with the Kosciuszko Foundation began shortly after formation.

PATA sponsors a rich schedule of events and activities, including essay and visual arts competitions. One of its more popular programs include a storytelling competition, during which students of Polish heritage who attend Polish supplementary schools gather at the Kosciuszko Foundation to tell stories from Polish folklore. Held every March, this year's winners were presented with medals and cash prizes.

PATA also holds the popular Annual Mikolajki/St. Nicholas Day celebration, which teaches children about traditional Polish Christmas celebrations. PATA has also been a reliable supporter of the Foundation's Teaching English in Poland Program, through regular cash contributions as well as Program volunteers.

## **The Holocaust Studies Committee**

No single event in recent history has had a longer lasting impact on people of Polish heritage like the Holocaust. In order to in order to assure that educators and other sources report Polish Christian experiences in the Holocaust in a fair, unbiased and accurate manner, the Foundation formed the Holocaust Studies Committee in 1982. The Committee



maintains liaison with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and holds a seat on the Polish-American-Jewish-American Council. In the past, it has gained recognition of three Polish Christians as “Righteous Among the Nations” by Israel’s Holocaust Memorial Center Yad Vashem and provided technical assistance to two widely screened documentary “Zegota, a Time to Remember,” and “Zegota: Council for Aid to Jews in Occupied Poland (1942-1945)”, both films documenting the Polish Home Army’s aid and assistance to the Jews during World War II. The committee also acts to fight against defamatory statements made in films, and contemporary literature, and school curricula.

John Gmerek, Longtime Chairman of the Committee, noted that the political reforms in Poland in 1989 acted as an impetus to encourage dialogue between the Polish Jews and Polish Christians on full documentation of both the scope of atrocities as well as acts of rescue and heroism of both groups during the Holocaust.

The Holocaust Studies Committee is seeking new volunteers to join its cause.

### **The Debutante Council**

The presentation of young ladies to the community and into society at the Kosciuszko Foundation’s Annual Dinner and Ball in April of each year has been the highlight of the Foundation’s calendar of events since it was introduced in 1941. The Debutante Council prepares those young ladies for presentation at the Ball.

The Council is comprised of women of Polish descent who also have longstanding relationships with the Kosciuszko Foundation. The Council invites young women between the ages of 16 and 25 who have shown scholastic achievement and a record of community service to participate as debutantes. The Council members prepare them for their appearance through meetings and a special luncheon. The Debutante presentation is a highlight of the Annual Dinner and Ball, instilling young women with a sense of traditional values, education and conduct in a sophisticated social setting. It is an exciting and elegant experience, creating memories that last a lifetime.