# **CV for International Policy Fellowship**

# **Sophia Howlett**

Dean, Special and Extension Programmes
Visiting Lecturer, Gender Studies Dept
Central European University
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#### Education

1991 PhD York University, UK European Renaissance Philosophy/Literature

1987 BA St John's, Cambridge University, UK English Literature

## **Professional Experience**

# 1999 - Dean, Special and Extension Programmes

Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

Special and Extension Programmes comprises 3 units in Budapest, and support for a fourth unit under an independent NGO in Almaty, Kazakhstan. SEP fulfills the secondary mission of CEU to provide resources and service to our region (Central and Eastern European/Former Soviet Union and Mongolia) as well as other emerging democracies, and a bridge between CEU and the Open Society Institute network. In this role, I travel throughout our target region on a regular basis providing a wide variety of support and oversight functions.

#### Management:

- Units: Summer University Programme; Curriculum Resource Centre; Special Projects Office; support for the Central Asian Resource Centre under 'Bilim', Almaty, Kazakhstan. Each of these units runs a wide variety of programmes. Summer University focuses on research development; the Curriculum Resource Centre on Methodology, and the relationship between methodology and research in the classroom; whilst Special Projects specialises in Access Programmes (such as the CEU/Ford Foundation's Roma Access) and tailored Faculty Development projects.
- For oversight of current programmes, see www.ceu.hu/sep

# Development: (selected)

- Roma Education Programme and Survey of Roma Educational Context in CEE
- CEU's Outcome Assessment Strategy and Policy
- Various Co-operation Projects with OSI National Foundations and OSI Network Programmes, eg English Language Access programme for Central Asia and the Caucasus
- Consultancy and Development for the Higher Education Support Programme of Open Society Institute
- Development and Strategy for the Central Asian Resource Centre, Kazakhstan

In general all of the programmes I manage have either been developed or significantly augmented by myself. I also developed the department itself from two disconnected smaller units.

#### Training Given:

- Project Management (General and Specific)
- Project Quality Control and Evaluation (General and Specific)
- Introduction to Innovation in Teaching and Learning
- Course Development (Higher Education, General and Specific)
- Degree Structuring (Higher Education, General and Specific)
- Advanced Evaluation (Departmental and Institutional)
- Trends in Higher Education Bologna and Comparative Higher Education Systems

# Evaluations (as primary evaluator)

Georgia Social Science Support Programme 2003

Albanian Higher Education 2003

Ukraine Higher Education 'Megaproject' 2002 Course Development Competition 1999 Various Summer School and event evaluations Co-evaluator on a variety of other projects

#### Committees/Boards:

Member, Senate Curriculum Committee, CEU, 2005-

'Bilim' (Central Asian Education Foundation) Board of Trustees 2004-Chair, Advisory Committee of the Central Asian Resource Centre 2004-2005

Member, Board of Directors, Civic Education Project 2002-2005 Member, ReSET Faculty Development Committee, HESP 2002-Chair, Board of the Central Asian Resource Centre 2001-2004

Consultant, International Advisory Comm, Centre for Policy Studies 2000-

Chair, HESP Summer School Programme Committee 2001-2002 Member, HESP Summer School Programme Committee 1999-2002

Member, CEU Middle States Accreditation Committee Chair, Outcomes Assessment Sub-Committee, CEU 2003-04

Member, Goldmann Sachs Achievement Awards Committee UK 2003-2005 Ad Hoc Member, CEU Senate Strategic Development Committee; and a variety of other CEU and OSI committees.

# Papers (selected where relevant to the proposed topic)

'Re-defining Internationalisation: The Challenge of the fSU', ACA Conference 2004

'Bologna and the Challenges for Russian Higher Education', Tomsk University 2003

'Social Science Faculty Development Strategies: The Eastern European Context', International Conference on Social Science and Social Policy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century 2002 (ISSC/UNESCO) [Published in Proceedings 2003]

'Re-organising Higher Education in South East Europe', The Balkan Idea Group, Macedonia 2001

'Returning to Academia', Returning to Central Europe (IIE 1999)

I lead and chair various panels and roundtables in higher education reform on a regular basis, and give presentations to numerous groups

Teaching:

MA Courses, MA /MPhil/PhD Dissertation Supervision, CEU Gender Studies Department, and additional courses/guest lectures with other departments

Guest lectures across CEE/fSU region in Contemporary Literature and/or Renaissance on a regular basis

## 1997-1999 Director, External CEU-HESP Office (ECHO)

Central European University (see above)

#### 1996-1997 Programme Officer, OSI Russia

Kaliningrad Region, Russia

*Needs Assessment* of General Education and Civil Society in the Kaliningrad Region *Teaching:* Introduction to Poetry, Kaliningrad State University

## 1995-1996 Country Director, Civic Education Project Ukraine

Kiev, Ukraine

Management: CEP Visiting Lecturers in-country; CEP Ukraine Programmes

Development: Discipline Specific 'Rapid Response' Curriculum Teams; Ukraine Scholarships

Handbook; CEP Ukraine Student Conference; 10 new Visiting Lecturer

Positions; Founder, CEP Moldova

Fundraising/Grants: UN, IRF, Eurasia, USIS, USAID, Know-How Fund

Teaching: Renaissance Philosophy, Kiev State University; Guest Lecturing throughout

Ukraine

Boards: Centre for Social and Economic Research, Ukraine

#### 1994-1995 Visiting Lecturer, Civic Education Project Ukraine

International Solomon University, Kiev

National University of Kiev Mohyla Academy, Kiev

#### **Academic Co-ordinator, Civic Education Project Ukraine**

Evaluating: Evaluator of Visiting Lecturers, Western Ukraine; Programmatic and

**University Evaluations** 

Development: NGO Programme Development – Centre for Social and Economic Research

(CSER), Zaporizhzhya, Ukraine

Teaching: European Renaissance, Postmodernism, Literature and History

# 1992-1995 Lecturer in English Literature (Permanent)

Teesside University, Middlesbrough, UK

Teaching: BA in Literature, MA in Politics and Literature, PhD Supervision

Development: Co-author, BA in Cultural Studies; Co-author, BA in English Literature;

Co-author, revised MA in Politics and Literature

Training (taken): Student Counselling; Peer Evaluation; Pedagogy

Responsibilities: Leader, MA in Politics and Literature, 1992-1994; Leader of Franchised Course in

Poetry and Drama, 1993-1994; Admissions Officer, MA Literature and Politics, 1991-1992; Admissions Officer, BA English Literature, 1993-1994; Departmental Representative, Faculty Research Committee; Faculty Representative, University

Careers Committee

Associations: UK Renaissance Seminar; Northern Renaissance Seminar

# 1990-1992 Lecturer in English Literature (Temporary)

Teesside Polytechnic, Middlesbrough, UK (see above)