

Final report

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Scholarship: Visiting scholar at the Department of Media, Culture, and Communication (MCC), Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, New York University, 15 July 2011 – 13 July 2012.

Department of Media, Culture, and Communication was an excellent host for a visiting scholar. NYU offers an opportunity to audit courses which is particularly useful for scholars in teaching positions. The visit improved my teaching skills and I got many new ideas to develop university education in Finland. In addition, I received collegial support for my research and teaching. For instance, professors Radha Hegde and Rodney Benson supported me in many ways and they invited me to lecture in their courses. In addition to MCC, I participated in the activities of the Institute for Public Knowledge (IPK) at NYU which was directed by professor Craig Calhoun at the time. Through the seminars, lectures, and working group meetings at IPK I connected with scholars of other departments at NYU and other universities. I collaborated in the Humanitarian Action working group for instance with professors Pierluigi Musaró (Bologna, Italia), Seyla Benhabib (Yale) and Miriam Ticktin (New School). I was invited to give a public talk on my own research at IPK's Global Café series and I curated, introduced and organized an evening panel on European multiculturalism with professor Seyla Benhabib.

New York area offers great opportunities to participate in scholarly discussions in other universities as well. Columbia University, New School, City University of New York (CUNY) and Yale had seminars and open lectures in which I was able to connect with other scholars. During my scholar visit I was invited to speak about my research at Tulane University in New Orleans and London City University. In addition, I presented my research in three conferences in the United States.

I finalised my Academy of Finland post-doctoral project "Framing immigration and integration in changing journalism" that ended in 2012. I wrote two new journal articles for international publication and polished five articles for publication.

Invited talks and conference presentations during the scholar visit:

\*Invited speaker: "Mediated memorials and undocumented migration in Europe", School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University, New Orleans, April 5, 2012.

\*Invited panel curator and speaker: "Has multiculturalism failed? Politics of anti-immigration and xenophobia: conversation with Professor Seyla Benhabib", Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University, February 20, 2012.

\*Invited speaker: "Discursive dislocations: Humanitarian discourse in migration control, detention and deportation". Institute for Public Knowledge, Global Café public talk series, New York University, December 1, 2011.

\*Invited speaker: "Uncivil media in civil society narrative". Journalism and citizenship -symposium. The Centre for Law, Justice and Journalism, City University London, September 15, 2011.

\*Presentation: "Uncivil social media in the civil society narrative", International Communication Association, Phoenix, USA. May 24-28, 2012.

\*Presentation: "Hospitality Lost? The Rise of the Anti-Immigrant Movement in Finnish Media Publicity", co-authored with Kaarina Nikunen, International Communication Association, Phoenix, USA. May 24-28, 2012.

\*Presentation: "Family in migration debates: Polarised discourses in Finnish media and parliament", co-authored with Saara Pellander, International Communication Association conference, Phoenix, USA, 24 – 28 May 2012.

\*Presentation: "Humanitarian discourse legitimating migration control: FRONTEX public communication" National Communication Association NCA Annual congress, New Orleans, 17 – 20 November, 2011.

\*Presentation: "Mediated Memorials: Creative Visualities of Undocumented Migration in Europe", National Communication Association NCA Annual congress, New Orleans, 17 – 20 November, 2011.

#### Publications finalised during the scholar visit:

\*"The ethics of hospitality in changing journalism: The response to the rise of the anti-immigrant movement in Finnish media publicity", *European Journal of Cultural Studies*, accepted for publication, co-authored with Kaarina Nikunen.

\*2013 "De-ethnicized victims: Mediatized advocacy for asylum seekers", *Journalism: Theory, Practice & Criticism*, 14(1): 78 – 95.

\*2013 "Maahanmuuttajat mediamaisemassa" in T. Martikainen, P. Saukkonen & M. Säävälä (eds.) *Muuttoliikkeet, etnisyys ja monikulttuurisuus*. [Migration, ethnicity and multiculturalism] Helsinki: Gaudeamus, 301 – 317.

\*2012 "Humanitarian discourse legitimating migration control: FRONTEX public communication", in M. Messier, R. Wodak & R. Schroeder (eds.) *Migrations: Interdisciplinary Perspectives*, pp. 297 – 308. Vienna: Springer Science & Business Media.

\*2013 "National and Ethnic Borderings" in L-M Rossi & K. Soinio (eds.) *Bodies, Borders, Crossings*. New York: Finnish Cultural Institute in New York.