The Kosciuszko Foundation will support research visits to Indiana University in 2020/2021 by scholars from two Polish universities: Dr. Bartłomiej Czaplicki from the University of Warsaw, and Dr. Paula Orzechowska from the University of Poznań. Both researchers work on the aspects of phonetics and phonology of Slavic languages and will collaborate with IU researchers - Dr. Małgorzata Ćavar (Linguistics and Slavic) and Dr. Steven Lulich (Speech and Hearing) – on studies using a cutting-edge 3D/4D ultrasound methodology for the research on the articulation of speech sounds.

Dr. Czaplicki has written about the morphological conditioning of phonological processes and investigated the phonetic and analogical motivations of sound change. He works primarily on the language data from the standard varieties and dialects of Polish and Ukrainian. Drs. Czaplicki and Ćavar will continue the work on the project investigating articulatory mechanisms underlying palatalization and other consonantal processes in Ukrainian.

Dr. Orzechowska, who is the Acting Head of the Neuroscience of Language Laboratory at the University of Poznan, has written about the role of phonological features in phonotactics and phonotactic typology, looking at data from Polish, Russian, Ukrainian, English, German, and Berber, among others. She will collaborate with Dr. Ćavar in a project investigating the mechanisms of the articulatory coordination of consonants in consonantal clusters.

Both researchers from Poland are expected to stay in Bloomington for 4 months in the Spring semester of 2021 (public health circumstances permitting).