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Academic Qualifications

2019	Master of Arts (MA, Anthrozoology), The University of Exeter, UK.
2008	Master of Arts (MA Environment, Policy and Society), The Open University, UK.
2005	PgDip (Environmental Decision Making), The Open University, UK.
2005	PgDip (Environmental Policy), The Open University, UK
2001	BSc (Hons) (Open), The Open University, UK.

Peer-reviewed Publications:

Oxley Heaney, S. (2024) Abandonment in Arabia: Acknowledging Feline Experiences (*Felis silvestris catus*). In László, B. and Lovas, A. (Eds.), *Studies on the Human-Animal Relationship Anthrozoology Series III*. University of Debrecen Anthrozoology Research Group, ISBN 978-963-490-644-5, pp 49-83. Available at: https://antrozoologiakonf.wordpress.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/borbala-laszlo-antal-lovas-kiss-eds_studies-on-the-human-animal-relationship-2024-1.pdf

Michelle Szydłowski; Kristine Hill; **Sarah Oxley Heaney**; Jes Hooper; Gill Howarth; Irene Perrett; Louise Hayward; Thomas Aiello (2024) **Anthrozoology as International Practice (AIP): A Student Conference in Animal Studies 2023** *Society & Animals* <http://10.1163/15685306-bja10204>

David A. Fennell, Carol Kline, Kristine Hill, Michelle Szydłowski, Daniel Bisgrove, Samuel Blythe, Samuel R. Fennell, **Sarah Oxley Heaney**, Caroline Schuhmacher, ... (2024) **Tourism, animals & the vacant niche: a scoping review and pedagogical agenda**, *Current Issues in Tourism*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13683500.2023.2280704>

Hooper, J., Aiello, T., Hill, K., Szydłowski, M., and **Oxley Heaney, S.** (2023) **Nothing More than 'Anti-Cull Activists': Accusations of Bias and the Politics of Research that Advocates for Non-Human Animals**. *Animal Studies Journal* 12(1): 70–95. <http://dx.doi.org/10.14453/asj/v12i1.6>

Oxley Heaney, S. (2023) **Arabian feline (*Felis silvestris catus*) lives: Insights into abandonment**. *EASE Working Paper Series*, Volume 1, The University of Exeter: 54-88. <https://anthrozoologyassymbioticethics.wordpress.com/ease-working-paper-series-volume-1-emerging-voices/>

Hill, K., Szydłowski, M., **Oxley-Heaney, S.**, & Busby, D. 2022. **Uncivilized behaviors: how humans wield “feral” to assert power (and control) over other species**. *Society & Animals*. 31(7): 907-925. <https://doi.org/10.1163/15685306-bja10088>

Oxley-Heaney, S., Szydłowski, M., Hill, K. 2022 **Members only? A posthuman view of otherthanhuman- animal immigrants across human-defined borders**. *TRACE: Journal for Human-Animal Studies*. 8(1). <https://doi.org/10.23984/fjhas.110811>

Szydłowski, M., Hill, K., **Oxley Heaney, S.**, Hooper, J. 2022 **Domestication and domination: human terminology as a tool for controlling otherthanhuman animal bodies**. *TRACE: Journal for Human-Animal Studies*. 8(1). <https://doi.org/10.23984/fjhas.110388>

Conference Presentations:

Oxley Heaney, S.; Zenato, C., **Hooked on Holidays**. *The 7th Anthrozoology Symposium*, organised by “Gh. Zane” Institute of Economic and Social Research (Romanian Academy – Iasi Branch), *7th and 9th of November 2024*. Conference website [here](#). Book of abstracts found [here](#). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=33zoO4FKx4o>

Oxley Heaney, S.; Zenato, C., **Shark Sensation Shock: The Media’s Shark Fear Makeover!** - “*Perspectives of the Human-Animal Relationship*”, organised by The Institute of Economic and Social Research, Iasi, Romania (Hybrid). *3rd and 4th of October, 2024*. Conference website [here](#). Book of abstracts found [here](#). https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HOb_gG7Nqts

Oxley Heaney, S (2023) 'Perspectives on cat (*Felis silvestrus catus*) Abandonment in Saudi Arabia' *The 2nd International Anthrozoology Conference (Hungary)* "Perspectives of the Human-Animal Relationship", 4-5 October 2023. <https://youtu.be/WjSAHprB884>

Oxley Heaney, S (2023) 'Fishing For Families', *Emerging Voices for Animals in Tourism (EVAT)*, 8-10th March 2023. <https://youtu.be/hjS-gRYfRHI>.

Oxley Heaney, S (2022) 'Collaborating for a less anthropocentric anthrozoology' *SPSPA PGR conference 2022, The University of Exeter, UK, 6-7 October 2022*. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zEiP0cyvfJ8>.

Oxley Heaney, S (2022) 'Losing a Limb in a Candy Shop' *University of Exeter's MA Residential, UK, 29th April 2022*. <https://youtu.be/N-lzVyYD0Jw>.

Szydlowski, M., Hill, K., **Oxley-Heaney, S.**, and Hooper, J. (2021) 'The Ethics of Privacy in Anthrozoological Investigations', *Animal / Privacy: Historical and Conceptual Approaches - Online Workshop, The Centre for Privacy Studies, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, The Kent Animal Humanities Network, University of Kent, UK, 8 November 2021*. <https://youtu.be/tfMujAcWeIM>.

Oxley Heaney, S (2021) 'Saudi Arabian Landscape of Feline Lives: Reducing Domestic Cat Abandonment', *InSPAration Conference, The University of Exeter, UK, 21 October 2021*. <https://youtu.be/qYLLIQTNvYo>.

Service:

Conference Organisation

Anthrozoology as International Practise, University of Exeter, **Co-founder, co-organiser and chair**. 4-5 March 2021; 11-12 November 2022; 12 – 14 September 2023; 17-19 Nov 2025.

Beyond the Brick Campus: Building a More Inclusive Academic Culture, University of Exeter, June 6, 2022, **Organiser and Chair**.

Workshop Planning and Delivery

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| 2025 | S. Oxley Heaney, K.Hill, I Perret, G, Howarth (2025, 25 April). Mastering Anthrozoology: A Participatory Learning Quiz at The Anthrozoological Arms . The University of Exeter's Anthrozoology MA Residential . The University of Exeter, Devon, UK. (Online) |
| 2024 | M. Szydlowski, K. Hill, J. Hooper, S. Oxley Heaney (2024, 27 June). But What is Anthrozoology? A Collaborative Workshop on the Practices and Future of the Field . International Society for Anthrozoology (ISAZ) 2024. Watch and Learn: The value of observing and being with animals, Hosted by Hartpury University (Gloucestershire, UK) |
| 2023 | K. Hill, J. Hooper, S. Oxley Heaney , M. Szydlowski (2023, 7 July). 'Integrity is doing the right thing when you don't have to—when no one else is looking or will ever know' (Marshall, 2002, p142). <i>Research Ethics Conference 2023 (REC2023)</i> , University of Bath, UK (Hybrid). |
| 2021 | J. Hooper, S. Oxley Heaney , K. Hill, M. Szydlowski (2021, 3 December). Problematizing the Ethics Process: An Anthrozoological Perspective . <i>Reframing Anthrozoology as Symbiotic Ethics (RASE)</i> , University of Exeter, UK (Online). |
| 2021 | J. Hooper, S. Oxley Heaney , K. Hill, M. Szydlowski (2021, 25 June). Problematizing the Ethics Process: An Anthrozoological Perspective . <i>Research Ethics Conference 2021 (REC2021)</i> , University of Exeter, UK (Online). |

Editor Positions

Special Issue Editors: K. Hill, M. Szydlowski, J. Hooper, **S. Oxley Heaney** (2023). Animal Welfare from a Cross-Cultural Perspective. *Animals*.

https://www.mdpi.com/journal/animals/special_issues/43L9ML67V1

Peer Reviewer

August 2021 - date - *TRACE: Journal for Human-Animal Studies*.

Societal Membership and Affiliations:

2024 - date	<i>The International Society for Anthrozoology (ISAZ)</i> Member https://isaz.net/
2024 - date	<i>Society for Companion Animal Studies (SCAS)</i> , Member https://www.scas.org.uk/
2024 - date	<i>Animal and Society (ASI)</i> , Member https://www.animalsandsociety.org/
2023 - date	<i>Research Ethics Association (REA)</i> , Member https://www.ethics-association.org/
2021 - date	<i>The Australasian Animal Studies Association (AASA)</i> Member https://animalstudies.org.au/member-profiles/8440/heaney-sarah

Collaborations and Working Groups

2024 - date	<i>EASE Anthrozoology (AZ) Lens</i> , Coordinator : The University Of Exeter.
2023 - date	<i>Pakadora Association</i> , Committee Member https://pakadoraassociation.com/
2023 - date	<i>Cat Academic Think Tank (e-CATT)</i> Co-Founder E-Catt - Cat Academic Think Tank
2022 - 2022	<i>Beyond the Brick Campus: Building More Inclusive Academic Cultures</i> Co-founder and Organiser
2021 - date	<i>Anthrozoology as International Practice (AIP)</i> Co-founder and Organiser Anthrozoology as International Practice
2020 - date	<i>The Anthrozoology Podcast</i> Co-founder and host The Anthrozoology Podcast
2020 - date	Exeter Anthrozoology as Symbiotic Ethics (EASE) Working Group Affiliate Member EASE Working Group
2005 - date	<i>Tabuk Paws</i> Tabuk Paws Founder and co-director

Awards and Grants

2024	Wenner-Gren Foundation, Co-Grantee (2024) : 5000 USD awarded to support costs associated with hosting the fifth Anthrozoology as International Practice (AIP2025): A student conference in human-animal studies. AIP 2025
2024	Society for Companion Animal Studies. Co-Grantee (2024): Pump-priming grant (£9,983), awarded to Principal Investigator, M. Szydlowski (K. Hill and S. Oxley Heaney , Co-Is) Society to investigate: Companion Cats and Dogs in Nepal: A New Frontier.
2023	The Australasian Animal Studies Association (AASA) Activities Grant (2023) Co-Grantee . 665 AUD awarded to Kris Hill, Sarah Oxley Heaney , Michelle Szydlowski, Jes Hooper, Thomas Aiello, to support merit-based awards and associated costs of hosting the fourth Anthrozoology as International Practice (AIP2024): A student conference in human-animal studies. AIP 2024
2023	The Australasian Animal Studies Association (AASA) Journal Article by an Early Career Researcher Prize Co-winner (2023). 500 AUD awarded to Jes Hooper, Thomas Aiello, Kris Hill, Michelle Szydlowski, Sarah Oxley Heaney , for "Nothing More than 'Anti-Cull Activists': Accusations of Bias and the Politics of Research that Advocates for Non-Human Animals", <i>Animal Studies Journal</i> , 12(1), 2023, 70-95. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.14453/asj/v12i1.6
2023	The Australasian Animal Studies Association (AASA) Popular Communication of Animals Studies Prize Co-winner (2023).

500 AUD awarded to Kris Hill, Michelle Szydlowski, **Sarah Oxley Heaney**, Irene Perrett, Gill Howarth, Louise Hayward, Jes Hooper, and Tom Aiello for our work establishing and developing ***Anthrozoology as International Practice (AIP): A Student Conference in Human-Animal Studies.*** [AIP 2021](#)

2022 Researcher-Led Initiative (RLI) funded by the University of Exeter Researcher Development and Research Culture team, (2022) awarded to Kris Hill, Ben Cain, and **Sarah Oxley Heaney** for ***Beyond the Brick Campus: Building a more inclusive academic culture***, an interactive workshop series and community to support distance-based options and opportunities. [Beyond the Brick Campus](#)

Employment

2005 - date	Tabuk Paws, Founder and Co-Director volunteer position
Mar 2003 - Sep 2004	1098 Sail and Dive Business, Burma, Owner/Manager
Nov 2001 - Sep 2002	National Council Education and Training Wales (ELWa)/ CELTEC, North Wales Training and Enterprise Council, Business Systems Developer
Aug 1998 - Nov 2001	National Council Education and Training Wales (ELWa)/ CELTEC, North Wales Training and Enterprise Council, Contract Manager
Jul 1996 - Aug 1998	Lincolnshire Training and Enterprise Council, Training and Development Advisor
Apr 1994 - June 1996	Business Link Lincolnshire, Business Development Officer
Jun 1992 - Apr 1994	Whitegates, Estate Agent, Rental Departmental Head
Aug 1987 - Jan 1991	Royal Air Force, Photographic Interpreter/Intelligence Officer