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* Curriculum Vitae *

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University Education

- 2012 **Habilitation**, Venia Legendi for Social and Cultural Anthropology at the Philosophical Faculty of Albert-Ludwigs-University, Freiburg
- 2004 **PhD Social and Cultural Anthropology**, Marburg University
- 2000 Summer School at the International Women's University (IFU), Hanover
- 1999 **MA in Social and Cultural Anthropology**, Marburg University
- 1991-1999 University studies: Social and Cultural Anthropology (major), Pedagogy, Religious Studies and Philosophy (minors) at the Universities of Muenster/Westf. and Marburg

Main areas of research

Thematic areas: migration (diaspora, transnationalism, return migration and migration bureaucracies / humanitarianism), new kinship studies, care and care work, religion & moralities, children & youth, qualitative research methods, history of Anthropology

Ethnographic areas: the Atlantic Rim: Creole Societies on the Upper Guinea Coast (esp. Cape Verde) and in Afro-Latin-America, (Haiti, Trinidad, Brazil) as well as the resp. transnational social fields (in North America and in Europe)

Academic Positions

- Since 3/2020 Full Professor of Social and Cultural Anthropology (W3), Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Johannes Gutenberg-University of Mainz
- 7/2016 – 2/2020 Heisenberg Professor, Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Johannes Gutenberg-University of Mainz
- 3/2015 – 5/2016 Heisenberg Fellow, awarded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), affiliated at Freiburg Institute of Advanced Studies (FRIAS)
- 10 /2014 – 2/2015 Visiting Professor (Vertretungsprofessur), Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology at Albert-Ludwigs-University of Freiburg
- 04/2013 – 9/2013 Visiting Professor (Vertretungsprofessur), Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology at University of Freiburg
- 10/2012 – 03/2013 Visiting Professor (Vertretungsprofessur) of Social and Cultural Anthropology, Department of Sociology, University of Konstanz
- 2004 – 2011 Lecturer/Assistant Professor (Wissenschaftliche Assistenz, C1) at the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Freiburg

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Research projects

- 2018 – 2021 “African trajectories across Central America: Dynamics of displacements, transitory emplacements, and ambivalent migration nodes” (DFG, Sachbeihilfe)
- 2015 – 2020 “Eligibility, care and new forms of sociality under conditions of urban displacement in Brazil” (DFG, Heisenberg-Programme)
- 2006 – 2011 “Negotiating family commitment. The moral dimension of care in transnational Cape Verdean fields” (Habilitation, DAAD)
- 2001 – 2004 “Spirits in the Diaspora. Haitian discourses on Gender, Youth, and Power in Montreal, Canada” (PhD, Scholarship Marburg University)

Research travels and fieldwork

- 7/2018 (1 month) São Paulo, Brazil
- 2 – 3/2016 (2 months) São Paulo, Brazil
- 7 – 9/2015 (3 months) São Paulo, Brazil
- 3 – 4/2014 (1,5 months) São Paulo, Brazil
- 8 – 9/2012 (1,5 months) Preparatory trip to Brazil for the design of research perspectives.
- 3 – 4/2008 (6 weeks) Boston, USA (with and among Cape Verdean migrants)
- 2006 – 2008 (11 months) Fogo and Brava, Cape Verde
- 2002 – 2003 (7 months) Montreal, Canada (with and among Haitian migrants)

Fellowships, scholarships, grants and awards

- 8 – 10/2016 Visiting scholar at the New School for Social Research, New York City
- 2/2014 Fellowship at Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies
- 10/2013 – 1/2014 Fellowship at research group (DFG-Graduiertenkolleg 1288) "Friends, Patrons, Clients. Practice and semantics of friendship and patronage in historical, anthropological and cross-cultural perspectives" Freiburg University.
- 3-4/2014 Visiting researcher at the Centro de Estudos de Migrações Internacionais – CEMI – UNICAMP, Campinas, Brazil
- 11/2013 Awarded the “Albert-Bürklin Prize” at Freiburg University
- 9/2012 Visiting researcher at the Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento (CEBRAP), Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil
- 2011-2012 Fellowship at the Käthe-Hamburger Kolleg “Work and Human Lifecycle in Global History” (re:work), Humboldt University to Berlin
- 2006-2007 Post-doctoral scholarship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), fieldwork in Cape Verde
- 2001 – 2004 Doctoral scholarship, Marburg University
- 7-10/2000 Postgraduate grant, international women’s university (IFU), German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

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Work Experiences

- 2001 German Ministry for Family, Elder People, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ), Berlin
2000 German Youth Institute (DJI), Munich
1999-2000 German Association for Technical Cooperation (GTZ), Eschborn (department: Promotion of Children and Youth)

Consultancies

- 2001 - 2004 External Consultant for the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), for the German Association for Technical Cooperation (GTZ), Society for Organization, Planning and Education (GOPA).
2000 Uganda, consultant for the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), evaluation of projects for the promotion of youth (6 weeks visit of projects)
2000 Haiti, consultant for the German Association for Technical Cooperation (GTZ), youth-oriented target-group analysis (4 months)
1999 Ruanda, consultant for the German Association for Technical Cooperation (GTZ), design of educational programs for traumatized youth (3 months)
1997 Togo & Benin, evaluation of projects targeting women and youth (4 weeks)

Academic functions

- 2019 – 2020 Vice-Dean of the faculty council (Fachbereich 07, JGU Mainz)
2018 – 2019 Head of the Department of Anthropology and African Studies at JGU Mainz
Since 4/2017 Member of the faculty council (Fachbereich 07 ‘Geschichte und Kulturwissenschaften’) at JGU Mainz

Since 7/2020 Member of the editing board of “Nordic Journal of Migration Research”
Since 4/2017 Member of the editing board of “Mainzer Beiträge zur Afrikaforschung”
Since 1/2016 Member of the editing board of the “Zeitschrift für Ethnologie” (ZFE), Berlin
Since 2014 Member of the review board of “Freiburger Geschlechter Studien”, Freiburg
2008 – 2014 Speaker of the network ‘Anthropology of law and rights’ at the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)
2004 – 2015 Speaker of the working group ‘Afro-Latin-America’ at the German Association of Social Anthropologists (DGV)
2005 – 2011 Representative of non-professorial faculty (‘Mittelbau’) at the philosophical faculty of Freiburg University

Language Skills

German: mother tongue, English: fluent, French: fluent, Portuguese: good, Spanish: basic, Cape Verdean Kriolu: basic, Haitian Kreyol: nearly forgotten

Reviews for

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Fritz-Thyssen-Stiftung, Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes, Alexander-von-Humboldt-Stiftung, American Academy Berlin
Anthropological Theory, American Anthropologist, Ethnos, Anthropology Today, Global Networks, Political and Legal Anthropology Review (PoLAR), Identities, African Diaspora, International Migration

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Review, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Ethnography, Curare, Paideuma, International Migration, Sociologus, Africa Spectrum, Cadernos Africanos, Imprensa de Ciências Sociais, Palgrave Macmillan, Nordic Africa Institute, Geoforum, Transcript, Zed Books