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APPOINTMENTS

Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

04/2021 – Assistant Professor of Anthropology
Institute of Anthropology and African Studies

Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO) Berlin

10-12/2020 Visiting Research Fellow

Goethe University Frankfurt

2017 – 2021 Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Normative Orders-Research Centre

EDUCATION

School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London

2017 PhD, Anthropology and Sociology, *no corrections/summa cum laude*

2013 MRes/MPhil, Social Anthropology/Anthropological Research Methods, *distinction*

Goethe University Frankfurt

2011 Magistra Artium, Education/African Linguistics (Swahili)/Cultural Anthropology, *distinction*

RESEARCH INTEREST

political processes, childhood and youth, international development and conflict, (Swahili) diaspora and belonging, protection and punishment, African feminisms, Islamic education, infrastructure and memory, linguistic anthropology, visual research methods

East Africa (Zanzibar, Tanzania, Kenya), Arabian Peninsula (Oman)

FIELDWORK

Zanzibar	July – August 2021	(3 weeks)
	March 2019	(1 month)
	March 2018	(1 month)
	November 2016	(1 month)
	January 2014 - July 2015	(18 months)
	July 2012	(1 month)
	July - September 2009	(2 months)
Tanzania	August 2021	(3 weeks)
Oman	March 2022	(2 weeks)
	April 2019	(1 month)
	April 2018	(1 month)
Kenya	September 2019	(2 weeks)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2021	Women's Political Authority in Contemporary Tanzania
2020	Young Omani Swahili-speakers in the 'Zanzibar Diaspora' (Postdoc; Oman Research Grant, ZMO, Berlin)
2019-2021	Generation Absent: Youth Identity and Belonging in the 'Zanzibar Diaspora' (Postdoc; Normative Orders – Research Centre)
2018-2019	Multireligious Utopias? Youth, Secularization and Islamic Education Across the Western Indian Ocean World (Postdoc; Normative Orders – Research Centre)
2017-2018	Zwischen Säkularisierung und Religiosität: Reformbewegungen im islamischen Bildungswesen in Sansibar und Oman (Postdoc; Cluster of Excellence Normative Orders)
2013-2017	Perilous Protection: Discipline, Chastisement and Child Protection in Schools in Zanzibar (PhD; DAAD, British Institute in Eastern Africa, SOAS, RAI)

TEACHING

JOHANNES GUTENBERG-UNIVERSITY MAINZ, Germany

<i>Anthropology and Development</i>	(BA, winter 2022_23)
<i>Theoretical Approaches to Anthropology</i>	(MA, winter 2022_23)
<i>African Feminisms</i>	(MA, summer 2022)
<i>Introduction to Political Anthropology</i>	(BA, summer 2022)
<i>Ethnography of East Africa</i>	(BA, winter 2021_22)
<i>Introduction to Scientific Writing</i>	(BA, winter 2021_22)
<i>Introduction to Anthropology</i>	(BA, winter 2021_22, online)
<i>Anthropology of Development in (East)Africa</i>	(BA/MA, summer 2021, online)
<i>Introduction to Political Anthropology</i>	(BA, summer 2021, online)
<i>History and Theory of Anthropology I</i>	(BA, summer 2021, online)
<i>The Political Anthropology of Childhood and Youth</i>	(BA, summer 2020, online)

SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES (SOAS), London, UK

<i>Theory in Anthropology</i> (2 nd year BA Tutorials, 2016)
<i>CAPITAL L - Swahili Language and Study Skills Programme</i> (2013)

ZANZIBAR UNIVERSITY (ZU), Zanzibar, Tanzania

<i>Child Rights-Based Approaches</i> (2014)

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2022	Al-Babtain Visiting Fellow – Leiden University Centre for Arabic Culture, Leiden
2020	Oman Research Grant 2020 – Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin
2016	Royal Anthropological Institute - RAI/Sutasoma Award for Potentially Outstanding PhD Merit Wenner-Gren Foundation/ASA - ASA2016 Conference Grant University of Kent - ASUK Conference Grant Centre for the Study of Childhood&Youth, University of Sheffield - Southern Childhoods Workshop Grant
2015	SOAS, University of London - Arts & Humanities Conference Grant
2014	German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) - PhD Fieldwork Grant SOAS, University of London - Arts & Humanities Conference Grant
2013	SOAS, University of London - Santander Mobility Award British Institute in Eastern Africa (BIEA) - Minor Research Grant European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) - Travel and Accommodation Grant
2012	German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) – Master's Scholarship

- 2009 European Commission-Socrates/ERASMUS - Study Exchange Grant, SOAS, London
German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) - Intensive Swahili Language Course Grant, 2 months,
State University of Zanzibar (SUZA)
- 2008 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) – Research Stay and Swahili Workshop Grant, Institute
for African and Asian Languages, Lomonossov University Moscow, Russia

MEMBERSHIPS

Working Groups

Ethics Committee of the Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies (FB07), JGU Mainz
Editing Board of “Mainzer Beiträge zur Afrikaforschung”
ZIS Working Group – Linguistic Anthropology/Anthropological Linguistics, JGU Mainz
GAA Working Group – Political and Legal Anthropology
GAA Working Group - Public Anthropology

Associations

The Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action Working Group
Deutscher Hochschulverein (DHV)
European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)
German Anthropological Association (GAA/DGSKA)
African Studies Association Germany (VAD)
Centre for Interdisciplinary African Studies (ZIAF)
Oxford Children’s Rights Network
Southern Childhoods Network

Representation

Staff Representative for postdoctoral researchers to the Directorate of the Cluster of Excellence ‘Normative Orders’ (2018-2021)

SERVICE

Peer Reviews

ZfE/JSCA, Africa Spectrum, American Anthropologist, Children’s Geographies, European Association for Social Anthropologists, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Journal of African Cultural Studies, Social Anthropology, Childhood

Book Reviews

Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Children’s Geographies, ZfE/JSCA

Grant Proposal Reviews

Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes, Vereinigung für Afrikawissenschaften Deutschland (VAD), Independent Social Research Foundation (ISRF)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consultancies

- 2017-2020 OF Bildungsbüro Offenbach, Translator
- 2015 Save the Children, Zanzibar, Tanzania - Positive Discipline in Everyday Teaching
- 2015 Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ, German Development Cooperation), Eschborn - German BACKUP Initiative: Education in Africa

2014 The Risk Advisory Group, London, UK - due diligence reporting in the financial sector Research Positions

Research Positions

- 2014-2015 Save the Children International, Zanzibar, Tanzania - strengthening of the Zanzibar National Child Protection System
- 2012 GEMS Education Solutions, London, UK - R4D's 'Center for Education Innovations'
- 2012 GIZ, Lilongwe, Malawi – assessment of 'Promotion of Basic Education/Complementary Basic Education'
- 2012 Save the Children, Berlin - programmatic and technical support on child protection, education in emergencies, children's rights

LANGUAGES

German (native), English and Swahili (fluent), French (intermediate), Arabic and Russian (basic)