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Work Experience & Academic Positions

Since 07/2022

Researcher in the project “Individual and collective memories of slavery and the slave trade: A contrastive comparison of different communities, generations and groupings in Ghana and Brazil” (funded by German Research Foundation, DFG) at the Institute of Methods and Methodological Principles in the Social Sciences, University of Göttingen

03/2022 – 06/2022

Visiting Professor at the Department of Development Studies, University of Vienna

03/2019 – 02/2022

Researcher in the project “Biographies of migrants from Syria and West Africa in Brazil and in Germany – processes of inclusion and participation in the context of so-called irregular migration” (funded by DFG) at the Center of Methods in Social Sciences, University of Göttingen

03/2014 – 02/2019

Researcher in the project “The Social Construction of Border Zones” (funded by DFG) at the Center of Methods in Social Sciences, University of Göttingen

2009 – 2015

Freelance workshop leader & creation of educational material in political education programs

1. History of National Socialism:

Max Mannheimer Study Center and Concentration Camp Memorial Site, Dachau

2. Colonial history, decolonial activism and postcolonial theory:

mapping.postkolonial.net and Decolonize München, Munich

2009 – 2013

Project manager: Solidarity with social movements in El Salvador and Honduras,
Ecumenical Office for Peace and Justice, Munich

Education

2014 – 2020

Doctorate in sociology at the University of Göttingen. Doctoral thesis (defended in September 2020, summa cum laude): “Entangled Histories in a Postcolonial Border Region: Biographies, Constructions of Belonging and Memory Practices in Ceuta and Melilla”

03/2010

Magister Artium (MA equivalent) in social anthropology at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU) Munich. Title of the M.A. thesis (with Marina Ginal): “About Victims, Perpetrators and Helpers. Discourses on 'Trafficking' and Their Effects on Feminized Migration”

03/2006 – 12/2006

Studies at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA), Faculty of Philosophy and Arts, scholarship by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

10/2003 – 03/2010

Studies in social anthropology (with minors political science and comparative studies of religion) at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU) Munich

Third-party funding and scholarships

2020 Collaboration in the successful application of the DFG-funded project "Individual and collective memories of slavery and the slave trade: A contrastive comparison of different communities, generations and groupings in Ghana and Brazil" (project duration: three years).

2018 Collaboration in the successful application of the DFG-funded project "Biographies of migrants from Syria and West Africa in Brazil and in Germany – processes of inclusion and participation in the context of so-called irregular migration" (project duration: three years).

2017 Collaboration in the successful application for funding of the international junior research conference "Biography and Violence" (February 2018), funded by the German Sociological Association and the PhD Funding of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Göttingen.

2017 Collaboration in the successful application for a one-year project extension of the DFG-funded project "The social construction of border zones: A comparison of two geopolitical cases".

2018 Travel grant from the PhD Funding of the Faculty of Social Sciences (University of Göttingen) to attend the World Congress of the International Sociological Association (ISA), Toronto.

2016 Travel grant from Göttingen International (University of Göttingen) to attend the ISA Forum of the International Sociological Association (ISA), Vienna.

2007 Travel grant from the Bavarian Academic Center for China to participate in the International Student Film and Video Festival, Beijing Film Academy.

2006/2007 Funding of a study year abroad at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA) by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

Publications

2022: Räume, Diskurse, Verortungen – Perspektiven auf Stadtgeschichte und Zugehörigkeitskonstruktionen in Ceuta und Melilla. In: Becker, Johannes/Weidenhaus, Gunter/Witte, Nicole (eds.): Biographie und Raum. Göttingen: Göttingen University Press.

2022 (with Arne Worm): Precarious Transnationality. In: Rosenthal, Gabriele (ed.): Transnational Biographies. Changing we-images, collective belongings and power chances of migrants and refugees. Göttingen: Göttingen University Press.

2021: Verflochtene Geschichten im postkolonialen Grenzraum. Biographien, Zugehörigkeiten und Erinnerungspraktiken in Ceuta und Melilla. Göttingen: Göttingen University Press.

2021 (with Lucas Cé Sangalli): Migration research in Brazil in times of Covid-19. Conversations with Alejandro Goldberg, Maria do Carmo dos Santos Gonçalves, Ercílio Langa, Kassoum Dieme and María del Carmen Villarreal Villamar. Göttingen: Centre for Global Migration Studies. (Global Migration Studies). DOI: doi.org/10.3249/2702-7872-gms-3.

2021 (edited with Gabriele Rosenthal): Navigating through increasing social inequalities in times of Covid-19: Research report on interviews with migrants in the Middle East and Europe and migrants and indigenous people in South America. Göttingen: Centre for Global Migration Studies. (Global Migration Studies). DOI: doi.org/10.3249/2702-7872-gms-4.

2021 (with Arne Worm): Follow-Up-Interviews im Rahmen biographischer Fallrekonstruktionen. Prozessorientierte und methodenflexible Zugänge zu prekärer Transnationalität. In: Birgit Blättel-Mink (ed.): Gesellschaft unter Spannung. Verhandlungen des 40. Kongresses der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie 2020. [online: https://publikationen.soziologie.de/index.php/kongressband_2020/article/view/1342]

2020 (edited with Johannes Becker): Global Processes of Flight and Migration: The Explanatory Power of Case Studies. Göttingen: Göttingen University Press.

2020 (with Johannes Becker): Global Processes of Flight and Migration: How Case Studies Help to Understand Their Complex and Heterogeneous Character. In: Bahl, Eva / Becker, Johannes (eds.): Global Processes of Flight and Migration: The Explanatory Power of Case Studies. Göttingen: Göttingen University Press, 9-21.

2018 (with Arne Worm): Biographische und ethnographische Zugänge zu Wir- Bildern, Sie-Bildern und Handlungspraktiken in einer Organisation. Die spanische Polizeieinheit Guardia Civil in Ceuta und Melilla. In: Zeitschrift für Qualitative Forschung (ZQF), 1+2-2018.

2017 (with Gabriele Rosenthal and Arne Worm): Prozessstrukturen illegalisierter Migration: Ein biographietheoretischer und figurationssoziologischer Zugang. In: Lessenich, Stephan (ed.): Geschlossene Gesellschaften. Verhandlungen des 38. Kongresses der DGS in Bamberg 2016.

2017: Precarious Transnational Biographies: Moroccan Juveniles in the Spanish Enclaves Ceuta and Melilla. In: Rosenthal, Gabriele / Bogner, Artur (eds.): Biographies in the Global South. Frankfurt, New York: Campus, 185-208.

2017 (with Gabriele Rosenthal and Arne Worm): Illegalized migration courses from the perspective of biographical research and figurational sociology: The land border between Spain and Morocco. In: Rosenthal, Gabriele / Bogner, Artur (eds.): Biographies in the Global South. Frankfurt, New York: Campus, 103-159.

2016 (with Gabriele Rosenthal and Arne Worm): Illegalisierte Migrationsverläufe aus biografiethereoretischer und figurationssoziologischer Perspektive: die Landgrenze zwischen Spanien und Marokko. In: Forum Qualitative Social Research. Volume 17, No. 3, Art. 10 – September 2016. [online: <http://www.qualitative-research.net/index.php/fqs/article/view/2686/4012>]

2016 (with Tanja Seider): Audio-visuelle Repräsentationen postkolonial: Historisch-politisches Lernen mit dem Medium Dokumentar- und Essayfilm. In: Zeitschrift für Geschichtsdidaktik, 15. Jahrgang, 67-83.

2015: „We can earn lots of money in our country. It was never our plan to go to Europe.“ Geschichten von einer komplexen Grenze. In: movements. Journal für kritische Migrations- und Grenzregimeforschung 1 (1). [online: <http://movements-journal.org/issues/01.grenzregime/17.bahl-melilla-grenze.html>.]

2015 (edited with Sarah Bergh, Tahir Della, Zara S. Pfeiffer and Martin W. Rühlemann): Decolonize München. Dokumentation und Debatte. Katalog zur Ausstellung im Münchner Stadtmuseum vom 25.10.2013 bis 23.02.2014. Münster: Edition Assemblage.

2012 (with Marina Ginal): Von Opfern, Tätern und Helfer(inne)n – das humanistische Narrativ und seine repressiven Konsequenzen im Europäischen Migrationsregime. In: Netzwerk MIRA (eds.):

Kritische Migrationsforschung? Da kann ja jedeR kommen, 201-217. [online: <http://edoc.hu-berlin.de/miscellanies/netzwerkmira-38541/all/PDF/mira.pdf>]

2010 (with Marina Ginal and Sabine Hess): Feministische Kritik am europäischen Grenzregime. Zur Funktionalität des Anti-Trafficking-Diskurses. In: Kron, Stefanie; zur Nieden, Birgit; et al. (eds.): Diasporische Bewegungen im transatlantischen Raum. Berlin: Verlag Walter Frey, 255-276.

2010 (with Marina Ginal and Sabine Hess): Unheimliche Arbeitsbündnisse. Zum Funktionieren des Anti-Trafficking-Diskurses auf lokaler und europäischer Ebene. In: Hess, Sabine; Kasperek, Bernd (eds.): Grenzregime. Diskurse. Praktiken. Institutionen in Europa. Berlin/ Hamburg: Assoziation A, 161-178.

Teaching Experience

1. At the Department of Development Studies, University of Vienna (Summer Term 2022)

Seminar (MA) "Processes, spaces and routes of enslavement and forced migration: global historical perspectives"

Seminar (MA) "Violence - Gender - Biography"

Practice Seminar (MA) "The Postcolonial City - Negotiations on how to deal with colonial History in Urban Spaces and Initiatives"

Practice Seminar (MA) "The contested right to sexual and gender self-determination: perspectives from different regional contexts"

2. At the Center of Methods in Social Sciences, University of Göttingen:

Summer Term 2021: Methodology Course (BA) "Ethnographic Research – Methodological Foundations and Theoretical Debates"

Winter Term 2018/19: Methodology Course (MA) "Ethnographic Research – Methodological Foundations and Theoretical Debates"

Winter Term 2017/18: Tutorial for the Lecture "Introduction to Qualitative Social Research"

Summer Term 2017: Tutorial for the Method Course "Narrative Interviews"

Summer Term 2016 and Winter Term 2016/17: Training research project: „Refugees welcome!? – discourses and everyday perspectives on migration, flight and borders“

Winter Term 2015/16: Tutorial for the Lecture "Introduction to Qualitative Social Research"

Summer Term 2015: Tutorial for the Method Course "Narrative Interviews"

3. Other Teaching Experiences:

Workshop on Biographical Case Reconstructions at the "Berliner Methodentreffen" (with Michaela Köttig), July 28th, 2023.

Workshop on Biographical Case Reconstructions at the "Berliner Methodentreffen" (with Michaela Köttig), July 29th, 2022.

Teaching Assignment – Modul 19.4: Diversity, Discrimination, and Inclusion in Social Work (Faculty of Health and Social Work, Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences), January 14-16th, 2021.

Teaching Assignment – Modul 19.4: Anti-Semitism and Impact of the Holocaust (Faculty of Health and Social Work, Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences), June 18-20th, 2020.

Workshop on Biographical Case Reconstructions at the “Berliner Methodentreffen” (with Bettina Völter), July 22nd, 2017.

Workshop on Biographical Research with MA- and PhD-Students (Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brazil), December 2-6th, 2016.

Teaching Assignment – Modul 19.4: Diversity, Discrimination, and Inclusion in Social Work (Faculty of Health and Social Work, Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences), December 15-17th, 2016.

Tutorial for the Lecture “Anthropological Field Work” (Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Munich), Winter Term 2013/14.

Membership

Research Network “Globalizing Sociological Theory: Qualitative Research and Theory Building from the South” (funded by the German Research Foundation)

International Sociological Association (ISA)

- Research Committee 38 “Biography and Society” in the ISA (member of the Board)
- Research Committee 56 “Historical Sociology” in the ISA

German Sociological Association (DGS)

- Section “Biographical Research”
- Section “Sociology of Development/Social Anthropology”
- Section “Migration and Ethnic Minorities”

Network Critical Migration and Border Regime Research (kritnet)

Centre for Global Migration Studies (CeMig) at the University of Göttingen

Editorial Board: Global Migration Studies – Papers of the CeMig

Netzwerk Fluchtforschung

QuaText – Institut für qualitative Sozialforschung Berlin e.V. (Treasurer)

Language Skills

German – native speaker; **Spanish** – fluent; **English** – fluent; **French** – advanced; **Portuguese** - intermediate