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EDUCATION

- 2016 Habilitation (Postdoctoral Degree), North American Literary and Cultural Studies, Bielefeld University, Germany
- 2007 Ph.D., English and American Studies, University of Münster, Germany
- 2000 M.A., Art History, University of Münster; Minors: English and American Studies, Modern History

ACADEMIC CAREER

- 2019- Research Fellow, Institute for Black Atlantic Research, University of Central Lancashire, UK; EU-Marie Curie Research Fellowship, until 01/2022
- 2020-21 Visiting Professor of American and Inter-American Studies, Bielefeld University
- 2018-19 Lecturer, English for Academic Purposes, Giessen University, Germany, and Visiting Lecturer in American Studies, Bielefeld University
- 2015-17 Lecturer in American Studies, University of Wuppertal, Germany
- 2011-15 Postdoctoral Research Fellow and Visiting Lecturer in American Studies, Bielefeld University
- 2007-10 Coordinator and Member, Research Group "E Pluribus Unum? Ethnic Identities in Transnational Integration Processes in the Americas," Bielefeld University
- 2004-05 Visiting Lecturer in American Studies, University of Münster

SELECTED DISTINCTIONS

- 2021 Appointed Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, UK
- 2019 Marie Curie Research Fellowship, European Union
- 2016 Post-/Doctoral Thesis Award, International Association for Inter-American Studies
- 2004, 2015 Two Teaching Grants, University of Münster and Bielefeld University
- 2011-2014 Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, German Research Foundation (DFG)
- 2011 Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Bielefeld University
- 2010-11 Two Conference Travel Grants, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
- 2001-03 Ph.D. Scholarship, Government of North-Rhine-Westphalia, Germany

RESEARCH STAYS IN THE AMERICAS

- 2013 Archival Research, University of Texas, Austin/TX, USA
- 2012 Visiting Scholar, Instituto Mora and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico City, Mexico
- 2004 Archival Research, New York Public Library of the Performing Arts and New York University, New York, USA