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Curriculum vitae

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1 Academic qualifications

MA (Jan. 1993)	University of Kiel, Germany, 1986–1993 Subjects: General and comparative Linguistics; German Philology; English Literature and Linguistics Grade: summa cum laude Thesis title: The place of writing and writing systems within modern linguistics (<i>Schrift und Schriftsysteme in der modernen Linguistik</i>)
PhD (Nov. 1997)	Subject: General and comparative linguistics University of Kiel, Germany Thesis title: <i>Relative constructions in Turkish</i> Thesis grade: opus eximium Oral exam grade: summa cum laude
Habilitation (Nov. 2004)	Subject: General and comparative linguistics University of Kiel, Germany Title of <i>Habilitationsschrift</i> : <i>Alignment in Kurdish: A diachronic perspective.</i>

2 Academic positions held

Mar. 1997–Sept. 1997	Lecturer in English language at the Department of English Language and Literature, University of Kiel
1998	Visiting Fellow at the <i>Research Centre for Linguistic Typology</i> , Australian National University, Canberra
1999–2001	Post-doc in the project <i>Grammatische Relationen im Kurmanjî Kurdisch</i> , funded by the <i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft</i> (German Research Foundation), grant no. Mo728/2-1
Mar. 2001–Feb. 2002	Lecturer at the Department of Linguistics, University of Bielefeld
Mar. 2002–Dec. 2004	Lecturer, Department of General and Comparative Linguistics, University of Kiel
Dec. 2004–Dec. 2009	Assistant Professor (<i>Oberassistent, C2</i>), Department of General and Comparative Linguistics, University of Kiel
Sept. 2005–Mar. 2006	Visiting Fellow at the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Studies (SCAS), as a full-time researcher in the interdisciplinary research group on linguistic and cultural interaction between the Iranian and the Turkic world.
As of July 2010	Full professor (W3) for the <i>Lehrstuhl Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft</i> (General linguistics) at the University of Bamberg

3 Positions in university administration

- Founding director (until 2017) of the *Bamberg Graduate School of Linguistics* (BaGL)
- Vice-Director of the *Sprachenzentrum*, University of Bamberg (until 2019)
- Vice-Director of the *Institut für Orientalistik* (2017-2019)
- *Auslandsbeauftragter*, *Fakultät Geistes- und Kulturwissenschaften* (2017-2019)
- Programme director, BA Minor *Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft*
- Programme director, MA General Linguistics
- Chief examiner (*Prüfungsausschussvorsitzender*), Elite-MA programme Cultural Studies of the Middle East (funded by the *EliteNetzwerk Bayern*)

4 Thesis supervision

MA-theses (selection, principal supervisor (*Erstgutachter*) only)

Anja Isernhagen	<i>Der Erwerb von Funktionsverben im ungesteuerten Zweitspracherwerb des Deutschen</i>
Steffen Reetz	<i>A quantitative corpus-based analysis of post-predicate goals in spoken Oghuz Turkic varieties</i>
Nils Norman Schiborr	<i>Antecedent distance and the accessibility hierarchy. A quantitative approach</i>
Nicholas Peterson	<i>Acquisition of Front Rounded Vowels in Adult Male Levantine-Arabic Learners of German</i>
Maria Vollmer	<i>How radical is pro-drop in Mandarin? A quantitative corpus study of referential choice in Mandarin Chinese</i>
Ireen Scholze	<i>Simplification and reduction in the minority language Sorbian</i>
Maria Busch	<i>Second language speech perception in children: Vowel length discrimination by school-age Chilean learners of German in Santiago de Chile [submitted]</i>

PhD theses (selection)

Serge Axenov	<i>A description of Turkmen Balochi</i> (External referee, Uppsala 2006)
Stefan Schnell	<i>Animacy and referentiality in Vera'a</i> (Second supervisor, Kiel 2010)
Ozan Gülle	<i>Structural convergence in languages of Cyprus</i> (Second supervisor, LMU München 2014)
Ergin Öpengin	<i>Clitic/affix interactions: A corpus-based study of person marking in the Mukri variety of Central Kurdish</i> (Cotutelle supervision, University of Sorbonne Nouvelle & University of Bamberg, 2014)
Abdullah Incekan	<i>Die Produktivität und Akzeptabilität von Neologismen im Verblexikon des Kurdischen: eine korpusbasierte Untersuchung</i> (Supervisor, Bamberg 2018)
Denise Bailey	<i>Gorani ...</i> (PhD examination committee, Göttingen 2016)

Lukas Sönning	<i>Phonological variation in German Learner English</i> (PhD examination committee, Bamberg 2017)
Ghazaleh Vafeiiian	<i>Progressives in use ...</i> (PhD examination committee, Stockholm 2018)
Paul Noorlander	<i>Alignment in Eastern Neo-Aramaic ...</i> (PhD examination committee, Leiden 2018)
Songül Gündoğdu	<i>Argument-adjunct distinction in Kurmanji Kurdish</i> (PhD examination committee, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul 2018)
Baydaa Mustafa, Nils Norman Schiborr, Laurentia Schreiber	Currently being supervised

Habilitationen

- Supervisor, Dr. Diana Forker, Bamberg University, awarded December 2015 (*Fakultätspreis*)
- *Habilitationsmentorat*, Dr. Khanna Usoyan, Göttingen University, awarded June 2017
- *Habilitationsmentorat*, Dr. Ole Schützler, Bamberg University, awarded September 2018
- *Habilitationsmentorat*, Dr. Valentin Werner, Bamberg University
- Currently supervisor for Dr. Stefan Schnell (Bamberg)

5 Research funding, awards, and scholarships (over €1000, since 2000)

1999–2001	(Together with Professor Ulrike Mosel): Grant from the DFG for a research project on grammatical relations in Kurdish, covering my full salary for two years plus additional expenses (Grant No. Mo728/2-1)
2003	Grant from the <i>Gesellschaft für Bedrohte Sprachen</i> ('Society for Endangered Languages'), towards the documentation of a Kurdish dialect from Eastern Turkey (€1120,-)
Sept. 2005–March 2006	Visiting Research Fellow at the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study, Uppsala (approx. €25 000,-)
2006	Funding for the Summer School <i>Documenting Endangered Iranian Languages</i> (for which I was the Coordinator), August 2007, received from the VW-Stiftung (€38 400,- Grant. No. 11/82 181)
2006–2007	Funding of a five-day training for care-givers in pre-school day-care centers on the topic of language development with pre-school children from a migrant background (<i>Vorschulische Sprachförderung bei Kindern mit Migrationshintergrund</i>), carried out in cooperation with the <i>Kinderstagestätten des Deutschen Roten Kreuz</i> , Kreis Pinneberg. Funded by the Robert Bosch Stiftung (€5000,-)
August 2007	Funding of the <i>Second International Conference on Iranian Linguistics</i> (through the DFG, approx. €5000,-)

2007–2012	Approx. €300 000, awarded jointly to GH, Ludwig Paul and Philip Kreyenbroek by the VW-Foundation's Programme <i>Dokumentation Bedrohter Sprachen</i> (DoBeS) for the documentation of Gorani (West Iran)
February 2010	Offered the <i>Ketāb-sāl</i> prize, a prize (€10,000,-) awarded annually by the Iranian Ministry of Culture and Islamic Guidance for foreign books on Iranian topics (for my book "Alignment change in Iranian languages"). I declined the prize due to its political connotations.
2012–2013	<i>Pronominalreferenz im sprachübergreifenden Vergleich</i> (Go-8 collaboration programme, DAAD, between Monash University (Melbourne) and Bamberg, €25 000,-
Feb. 2013	€3600,- for the <i>Fifth International Conference on Iranian Linguistics</i> , University of Bamberg, August 2013
2013–2014	€45 000,- from the Bavarian Ministry of Education towards establishing the English-language Masters degree programme "General Linguistics"
2014–2016	103 000 GBP for the documentation of Chirag, a Northeast Caucasian language of Daghestan, awarded by the Endangered Languages Documentation Project, SOAS, London
2016	Approx. €300 000,- from the Elitenetzwerk Bayern for founding a new Masters programme <i>Kulturwissenschaften des Vorderen Orients</i> (joint application with the members of the Institut für Orientalistik), 2017-2022
2016–2017	Hosting the research scholarship for experienced researchers of Asst. Prof. Erik Anonby, "Mapping language in the Zagros mountains of western Iran", Alexander von Humboldt, (overhead host institute €9000,-)
2017–2020	€138 000,- for the project "Does morphosyntactic alignment shape discourse? Implementing a corpus-based approach to language typology" (DFG) (together with Stefan Schnell, Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language, based at The University of Melbourne)
2019–2022	€55 000,- from the Alexander von Humboldt for a Research Group Linkage with the University of Hamedan/Iran, "Post-predicate elements in Iranian: Inheritance, Contact and Information Structure
2021–2023	Hosting the post-doc scholarship of Dr. Qandeel Hossein, "Indo-Iranian languages ..." (24 months, Alexander von Humboldt, host overhead €12 000,-)
2019–2021	Hosting the post-doc scholarship of Dr. Maryam Nourzaei, "The emergence of definiteness in new West Iranian languages", Swedish Research Council, host overhead €6500,-

6 Organisation of conferences, workshops, summer schools (since 2010)

November 2011	Together with Nikolaus Himmelmann and Anna Margetts: Panel convenor for the panel “Analyses” in the course of a workshop on the topic: ‘Potentials of Language Documentation: Methods, Analyses, and Utilization’, Max Planck Institute, Leipzig.
August 2011	Lecturer at the Summer School 2011 <i>Iranian Linguistics</i> , hosted by the Institute of Iranian Studies in Hamburg.
Feb. 2013	Co-organizer (with Diana Forker) of the Workshop on <i>Agreement in Discourse</i> , Universität Bamberg
June 2013	Co-organizer of the Panel “Eurasia” (with Stephen Morey) at the International conference: <i>Language Documentation: Past, Present and Future</i> 5 June – 7 June 2013, Hannover, Herrenhausen Castle
August 2013	Co-organizer and host for the <i>Fifth International Conference on Iranian Linguistics</i> , 24-26 th August 2013, University of Bamberg
June/July 2014	With Miriam Meyerhoff, Stefan Schnell and Ole Schützler: Two week summer school, Bamberg: <i>Documentary linguistics and variationist sociolinguistics</i>
September 2017	With Jaffer Sheyholislami and Ergin Öpengin: Two-week <i>Kurdish Language Autumn School</i> , University of Bamberg
December 2017	With Stefan Schnell, Nick Evans and Danielle Barth: Panel <i>Advances in corpus-based typology: Exploring corpora of semi-parallel and indigenous texts</i> . <i>12th Conference of the Association of Linguistic Typology</i> , Australian National University
March 2020	With Stefan Schnell: Panel at the 42nd Annual Conference of the German Linguistic Society, Hamburg 4-6th March 2020: <i>Corpus based typology: Spoken language from a cross-linguistic perspective</i> (see https://www.zfs.uni-hamburg.de/en/dgfs2020/programm/arbeitsgruppen.html)

7 Editorial and refereeing activities (selection)

- I have refereed publications numerous peer-reviewed international journals, including *Diachronica*, *Lingua*, *Turkic Languages*, *Language*, *Journal of Morphology*, *Linguistic Typology*, *Linguistics*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Language dynamics and change*, *Studies in Language*, *Glossa*
- Refereeing of research projects submitted, among others, to the *Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft*, the *Hans Rausing Endangered Languages Documentation Project* at SOAS, London, the *Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften*, *Alexander von Humboldt Stiftung*, and to the Volkswagen Foundation
- Refereeing of book proposals major publishers, including Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Yale University Press, Language Science Press, Mouton de Gruyter.
- Member of the Editorial Board for the Series *Studies in South and Southwest Asian Languages* (Brill), and the journal *Kurdish Studies*; founding editor of a new open-access series *Bamberg Studies in Kurdish Linguistics* (<https://www.uni-bamberg.de/ubp/verlagsprogramm/reihen/bamberg-studies-in-kurdish-linguistics/>)