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Academic Curriculum Vitae

Degrees and studies

- 5 May 2004 Dr. phil., University of Bonn. Title of the dissertation: “*Samādhīpāda*. Das erste Kapitel des *Pātañjalayogaśāstra* zum ersten Mal kritisch ediert”. [*Samādhīpāda*. The first chapter of the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra* for the first time critically edited.] Dissertation: *egregia* (outstanding); *viva voce*: *summa cum laude* (with greatest praise). Supervisors: Professor Dr. Claus Vogel and Professor Dr. Albrecht Wezler.
- 1 November 1997 – 4 May 2004 Graduate studies at the University of Bonn. Subjects: Indology, Comparative Religious Studies and Tibetology.
- 29 October 1997 “Master of Arts”, University of Bonn. Subjects: Indology, Comparative Religious Studies and Tibetology. Aggregate mark: very good (1,4). Title of the thesis: “Die Grundlagen der Yoga-Psychologie vor dem Hintergrund des *Samādhīpāda* im *Pātañjalayogaśāstravivaraṇa*”. [The basis of Yoga psychology on the backdrop of the *Samādhīpāda* of the *Pātañjalayogaśāstravivaraṇa*.]
- 1 April 1988 – 28 October 1997 Study of Indology, Comparative Religious Studies, Philosophy and Tibetology at the University of Bonn, Germany.

Employment

1 October 2010 – present	Universitätsassistent (assistant professor) at the Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
1 August 2007 – 30.09.2010	Full-time post-doc researcher in FWF Project P19866–G15 “Philosophy and Medicine in Early Classical India II” at the Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna
1 October 2004 – 31 July 2007	Full-time post-doc researcher in FWF Project P17300-GO3 “Philosophy and Medicine in Early Classical India” at the Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History of Asia, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna
1 April 2001 – 31 September 2004	Research assistant at the Indological Institute, University of Bonn, Germany
1 November 1997 – 31 March 2001	Graduate assistant at the Indological Institute, University of Bonn, Germany
1 August 1992 – 31 July 1996	Student assistant at the Indological Institute, University of Bonn, Germany

Publications

a) Monograph

2006	<i>Samādhipāda</i> . Das erste Kapitel des <i>Pātañjalayogaśāstra</i> zum ersten Mal kritisch ediert. (<i>Samādhipāda</i> . The First Chapter of the <i>Pātañjalayogaśāstra</i> for the First Time Critically Edited). Aachen: Shaker (Studia Indologica Universitatis Halensis) (Geisteskultur Indiens. Texte und Studien 9).
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b) Editorship

- 2009 Guest editor, together with Jürgen Hanneder, *Text Genealogy, Textual Criticism and Editorial Technique = Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde Südasiens* 52-53 (2009-2010).

c) Articles

- 2011 On the Position of Classical Āyurveda in South Asian Intellectual History According to Global Ayurveda and Modern Research. *Horizons: Seoul Journal of Humanities* 2,1 (2011), p. 113-126.
- 2010d Computer Aided Stemmatics. The Case of Fifty-Two Text Versions of Carakasamhitā Vimānasthāna 8.67-157. In: Jürgen Hanneder and Philipp A. Maas (guest eds.), *Text Genealogy, Textual Criticism and Editorial Technique = Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde Südasiens* 52-53 (2009-2010), p. 63-119.
- 2010c On the Written Transmission of the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra*, in: Johannes Bronkhorst und Karin Preisendanz (ed.): *From Vasubandhu to Caitanya. Studies in Indian Philosophy and its Textual History*. Delhi etc.: Motilal Banarsidass, 2010 (Papers of the 12th World Sanskrit Conference 10.1), p. 157-172.
- 2010b On What Became of the *Carakasamhitā* After Dṛḍhabala's Revision. *e-Journal of Indian Medicine* 3.1 (2010), p. 1-22.
- 2010a Valid Knowledge and Belief in Classical Sāṅkhya Yoga. In: Piotr Balcerowicz (ed.), *Logic and Belief in Indian Philosophy*. Delhi etc.: Motilal Banarsidass, 2010 (Warsaw Indological Studies 3), p. 383-392.
- 2009b Towards a Critical Edition of the *Carakasamhitā* Vimānasthāna — First Results. *Indian Journal of History of Science* 44.2 (2009), p. 163-185.
- 2009a The So-called Yoga of Suppression in the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra*, in: Eli Franco (ed.) in collaboration with Dagmar Eigner, *Yogic Perception, Meditation, and Altered States of Consciousness*. Vienna: Verlag der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, 2009 (Sitzungsberichte der phil.-hist. Klasse 794 = Beiträge zur Kultur- und Geistesgeschichte Asiens 64), p. 263-282.
- 2008c A Phylogenetic Approach to the Transmission of the Tibetan Kanjur — The *Akṣayamatirdeśa* Revisited, in: Dragomir Dimitrov *et al.* (eds.), *Bauddhasāhityastabakāvalī*. Essays and Studies on Buddhist Sanskrit Literature. Dedicated to Claus Vogel by Colleagues, Students, and Friends.

- Marburg: Indica et Tibetica (Indica et Tibetica 36), p. 229-243.
- 2008b ‘Descent with Modification’: The Opening of the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra*, in: Walter Slaje (ed.), with a Preface by Edwin Gerow, *Śāstrārambha*. Inquiries into the Preamble in Sanskrit. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz (Abhandlungen für die Kunde des Morgenlandes 62), p. 97-119.
- 2008a The Concepts of the Human Body and Disease in Classical Yoga and Āyurveda. *Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde Südasiens* 51 (2007/2008), p. 125-162.
- 2003 Zur Stellung zweier Handschriften des tibetischen *Akṣayamatīrdeśāsūtra* aus Mustang innerhalb der kanonischen Überlieferung. *Zentralasiatische Studien* 32 (2003), p. 11-34.

d) Catalogue Entries

- 2012c Volume 17 *mdo bsde, dza* Acc. No. 20.483, in: Helmut Eimer (ed.): *A Catalogue of the Kanjur Fragment from Bathang Kept in the Newark Museum*. Wien: Arbeitskreis für tibetische und buddhistische Studien der Universität Wien, 2012 (Wiener Studien zur Tibetologie und Buddhismuskunde 75), p. 76-85.
- 2012b together with Helmut Eimer Volume 11 *mdo bsde, ta* Acc. No. 20.488, in: Helmut Eimer (ed.): *A Catalogue of the Kanjur Fragment from Bathang Kept in the Newark Museum*. Wien: Arbeitskreis für tibetische und buddhistische Studien der Universität Wien, 2012 (Wiener Studien zur Tibetologie und Buddhismuskunde 75), p. 34-37.
- 2012a Volume 10 *mdo bsde, ja* Acc. No. 20.491, in: Helmut Eimer (ed.): *A Catalogue of the Kanjur Fragment from Bathang Kept in the Newark Museum*. Wien: Arbeitskreis für tibetische und buddhistische Studien der Universität Wien, 2012 (Wiener Studien zur Tibetologie und Buddhismuskunde 75), p. 21-34.

e) Articles Submitted for Publication / in the Press

- 2013 A Concise Historiography of Classical Yoga Philosophy, in: Eli Franco (ed.), *Historiography and Periodization of Indian Philosophy*. De Nobili Series, Vienna. Ca. 35 pages.
- 2013 On Discourses of Dharma in the Pañcatantra. *Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde Südasiens*. Ca. 25 pages.

Lectures

- 11 December 2012 Sechstes Würzburger Kolloquium. Wege zum Heil(igen)? „Sakralität“ und „Sakralisierung“ in hinduistischen religiösen Traditionen: “Der Stufenweg zur völligen Befreiung im *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* [The Step Path to Complete Liberation in the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra*]”.
- 13 October 2012 The Annual Conference of South Asia, Madison, Wisconsin, Panel “The Rich History of a Sanskrit Medical Treatise: Manuscripts - Texts - Ideas”: “On the stemmatic position of the text version transmitted in a South Indian fragment of the *Caraka-saṃhita*”.
- 29 September 2012 International Conference “The Pañcatantra Across Cultures and Disciplines,” at the Sächsische Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Leipzig. “Viṣṇu in Venice”.
- 24 August 2012 Japan-Austria International Symposium on Transmission and Tradition. The Meaning and the Role of “Fragments” in Indian Philosophy. Shinshu University, Matsumoto, Japan. “Once more on Pañcaśikha and his Fragments”.
- 4 February 2012 Guest lecture at the University of Würzburg, Germany, invited by the DFG-Forschergruppe “Sakralität und Sakralisierung in Mittelalter und früher Neuzeit. Interkulturelle Perspektiven aus Asien und Europa”: “Erlösung zu Lebzeiten im *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* [Liberation while Living in the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra*]”.
- 1 February 2012 International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Workshop: “Fate, Freedom, and Prognostication in Indian Traditions” at the Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nürnberg: “A Hierarchy of Conflicting Causes for Destiny – The Jantūpakhyāna of the *Mahābhārata* in its Contexts”.
- 26 March 2011 Workshop “Information Technologies and Innovation in Sanskrit Based Indian Studies”, University of Vienna, Department for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies: “On Solving the Problem of Textual Contamination by Means of Computer Aided Stemmatics”.
- 7 December 2010 University of Vienna, Department for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies: “An Introduction to Computer Aided Stemmatics”.

- 13 November 2010 “Asian Diversity in a Global Context”. Annual Conference of the Asian Dynamics Initiative, Copenhagen, Denmark, Panel “The transmission of Sanskrit medical literature in India”. “Early Sāṅkhya in the *Carakasamhitā* and in Aśvaghoṣa’s *Buddhacarita*”.
- 11 September 2009 Third World History Class with Scholars, I’PARKmall Culture Center, Seoul, South Korea: “Yoga and Āyurveda: From Classical India to a Globalized World”.
- 10 September 2009 Seoul National University, South Korea: “Censorship in Early Mediaeval India — Two Versions of the *Pañcatantra* Story ‘The Weaver as Viṣṇu’”.
- 9 September 2009 Seoul National University, South Korea: “An Introduction to Modern Text Genealogy with Special Reference to the *Carakasamhitā* Vimānasthāna”.
- 3 September 2009 14th World Sanskrit Conference, Kyoto, Panel “On the Historiography and Periodization of Indian Philosophy”: “On Writing the History of the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra*”.
- 1 September 2009 14th World Sanskrit Conference, Kyoto, Panel “Physicians and Patients: Textual Representations in Pre-Modern South Asia”: “The Examination of the Patient’s Constitution According to the *Carakasamhitā* Vimānasthāna”.
- 9 July 2009 Symposium “Āyurveda in Post-classical and Pre-Collonial India”, IIAS, Leiden: “What Happened to the *Carakasamhitā* Vimānasthāna? The Transmission of an Early Classical Work in Pre-modern Times”.
- 22 August 2008 International Conference “The History of Medicine in India”, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu: “Towards a Critical Edition of the *Carakasamhitā* Vimānasthāna — First Results”.
- 25 September 2007 30th Deutscher Orientalistentag, Freiburg i.Br., Panel “Textgenealogie, Textkritik und Editionstechnik”: “Building a Stemma of the *Carakasamhitā* with the Computer: Chances and Limits”.
- 8 February 2007 Institute of Post Graduate Teaching and Research, Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar, India: “Philosophy and Medicine in Early Classical India”.
- 15 January 2007 International Seminar on the Textual Tradition of Ayurveda, Shree Shankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady, India: “The *Carakasamhitā* Vimānasthāna: Manuscripts and Lines of Transmission”.

- 10 July 2006 13th World Sanskrit Conference, Edinburgh, Panel “Śāstrārambha”: “Opening the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra*”.
- 28 June 2006 Symposium “Yogic Perception, Mediation, and Altered States of Consciousness”, Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History of Asia, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna: “Two Types of Meditative Concentration (*samādhi*) in Classical Sāṅkhya Yoga”.
- 2 May 2006 International Seminar “Logic and Belief in Indian Philosophy”, Warsaw University, Poland: “Valid Knowledge and Belief in Classical Sāṅkhya-Yoga”.
- 13 January 2005 Department of South Asian, Tibetan, and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna: “Studien zur Überlieferung des *Pātañjalayogaśāstra* [Studies in the Transmission of the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra*]”.
- 6 November 2004 Workshop cum symposium “Classical Indian Medicine: Text and Meaning”, The Wellcome Trust Centre for the History of Medicine at the University College London: “On the Conception of Disease (*vyādhi*) in Classical Yoga Philosophy”.
- 23 October 2004 29. Deutscher Orientalistentag, Halle: “Pūrṇabhadras Rezension der Erzählung ‚Der Weber als Viṣṇu‘ (*Pañcākhyāna* I. viii) [Pūrṇabhadras recension of the story ‚The Weaver as Viṣṇu‘ (*Pañcākhyāna* I. viii)]”.
- 15 July 2003 12th World Sanskrit Conference, Helsinki: “On the Written Transmission of the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra*”.
- 14 November 2002 Department of Classical Indology, South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg: “Wandlung und Konstanz: Grundlagen des Sāṅkhya- und des Yoga-Systems [Transformation and Permanence: Foundations of the Sāṅkhya and Yoga System]”.
- 28 March 2001 28. Deutscher Orientalistentag, Bamberg: “Opfer, *karman* und Askese im *Jantūpākhyāna* [Sacrifice *karman* and Asceticism in the *Jantūpākhyāna*]”.
- November 1999 Lecture cycle “Buddhism in Asia”, Centre for Asian Studies, University of Bonn: “Zur buddhistisch-brahmanischen Ātman-Kontroverse [On the Buddhist-Brahmanical Ātman-dispute]”.
- 1 October 1998 27. Deutscher Orientalistentag, Bonn: “Magnetismus im Yogaśāstra [Magnetism in the Yogaśāstra]”.

Teaching

(at the Indological Institute / Department of Indology, University of Bonn [B], at the Department for Indology and Tibetology, Georg-August University, Göttingen [G], University of Rome [R], and at the Department for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna [V])

- SS 2013 Seminar: Karma und Wiedergeburt im indischen Denken aus philologisch historischer Sicht. Grundlagen [Seminary (BA-level): Karma and Rebirth in Indian Thought From a Historical and Philological Perspective.] (1 hour/week). [V]
- SS 2013 Seminar: Karma und Wiedergeburt im indischen Denken aus religionswissenschaftlicher und philosophischer Sicht. Grundlagen [Seminary (BA-level): Karma and Rebirth in Indian Thought From the Perspective of Comparative Religious Studies and Philosophy.] (1 hour/week). [V]
- SS 2013 Lecture: (MA): Once again on the Authorship of the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* (2 hours) [R].
- SS 2013 Seminary (MA): The classification of Yogis according to their spiritual progress in *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* 3.51 and 2.27 (3 hours) [R].
- WS 2012/2013 Seminar (MA): Das klassische Sāṅkhya. [Seminary (MA-level): Classical Sāṅkhya] (2 hours/week). [V]
- WS 2012/2013 Vorlesung: Einführung in die Indologie [Lecture: Introduction to Indology] (2 hours/week). [V]
- SS 2012 Vorlesung: Die Philosophie des klassischen Yoga [Lecture: Classical Yoga Philosophy] (2 hours/week). [G]
- SS 2012 Seminar: Dharma-Konflikte im *Pañcatantra*. Grundlagen [Seminary (BA-level): Dharma-Conflicts in the *Pañcatantra*. Basics] (1 hour/week). [V]
- SS 2012 Seminar: Dharma-Konflikte im *Pañcatantra*. Lektüre ausgewählter Textpassagen. [Seminary (BA-level): Dharma-Conflicts in the *Pañcatantra*. Reading of selected text passages] (1 hour/week). [V]
- SS 2012 Übung (MA): Yoga und Askese in der indischen Kunstdichtung [Practical course (MA-level): Yoga and Asceticism in Kāvya-Literature] (2 hours/week). [V]

- WS 2011/2012 Übung (MA): Der achtegliedrige Yoga im *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* nach ausgewählten Druckausgaben, Handschriften und den Kommentaren [Practical course (MA-level): The Yoga of eight limbs in the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* according to selected printed editions, manuscripts, and the commentaries] (2 hours/week). [V]
- WS 2011/2012 Lecture: Einführung in die Indologie [Introduction to Indology] (2 hours/week). [V]
- SS 2011 Practical course (MA-level): Ausgewählte Episoden der Buddhavita [Selected episodes of the Buddha-Vita] (2 hours/week). [V]
- SS 2011 Seminar: Die Mystik der Upanischaden im Spiegel der modernen Forschung [Seminary (BA-level): The mysticism of the Upaniṣads as reflected in modern research.] (1 hours/ week). [V]
- SS 2011 Seminar: Die Mystik der Upanischaden im Spiegel der Primärquellen [Seminary (BA-level): The mysticism of the Upaniṣads as reflected in primary sources] (1 hours/ week). [V]
- WS 2010/2011 Lecture: Einführung in die Indologie [Introduction to Indology] (2 hours/week). [V]
- WS 2009/2010 Seminar: Textgenealogie, Textkritik und Editionstechnik am Beispiel des Vimānasthāna der *Carakasamhitā* [Text genealogy, textual criticism and editorial technique with special reference to the Carakasamhitā Vimānasthāna] (2 hours/week). [B]
- SS 2009 Seminar: Sāṅkhya und Yoga in Aśvaghoṣas *Buddhacarita* [Sāṅkhya and Yoga in Aśvaghoṣa's *Buddhacarita*] (2 hours/week). [B]
- WS 2008/2009 Seminar: Die *Bhagavadgītā* nach dem Kommentar des Śaṅkara [The *Bhagavadgītā* according to Śaṅkara's commentary] (2 hours/ week). [B]
- SS 2008 Seminar: Kālidāsa's *Raghuvamśa* nach dem Kommentar des Vallabhadeva [Kālidāsa's *Raghuvamśa* according to Vallabhadeva's commentary] (2 hours/week). [B]
- WS 2007/2008 Practical course: Die *Muṇḍaka-Upaniṣad* im Kommentar des Śaṅkara und in der modernen Forschung [The *Muṇḍaka Upaniṣad* according to Śaṅkara's commentary and in modern research] (2 hours/week). [B]
- SS 2007 Practical course: Theorie und Praxis der Komik in der altindischen Literatur [Theory and practice of the comic in ancient Indian literature] (2 hours/week). [B]

WS 2006/2007	Practical course: Die Rezeption eines klassischen indischen philosophischen Texts im modernen Neo-Advaita (II) [The reception of a classical philosophical text in modern Neo-Advaita (II)] (2 hours/week). [B]
SS 2006	Practical course: Digitalisierung und Edition indischer Handschriften [Digitizing and editing Indian manuscripts] (2 hours/week). [B]
WS 2005/2006	Practical course: Die Rezeption eines klassischen indischen philosophischen Texts im modernen Neo-Advaita (I) [The reception of a classical philosophical text in modern Neo-Advaita (I)] (2 hours/week). [B]
SS 2005	Practical course: Lektüre ausgewählter Abschnitte aus der <i>Carakasamhitā</i> [Reading of selected passages of the <i>Carakasamhitā</i>] (2 hours/week) [B]
WS 2004/2005	Practical course: Lektüre eines Schauspiels: Kālidāsa's <i>Abhijñānaśakuntala</i> [Reading of dramatic literature: Kālidāsa's <i>Abhijñānaśakuntala</i>] (2 hours/week). [B]
SS 2004	Language course: Einführung ins Sanskrit II [Introduction to classical Sanskrit II] (4 hours/week). [B]
WS 2003/2004	Language course: Einführung ins Sanskrit I [Introduction to classical Sanskrit I] (4 hours/week SWS). [B]
SS 2003	Seminar: Die Lehrzeit des Siddhattha Gotama [The apprenticeship of Siddhattha Gotama] (2 hours/week). [B]
WS 2002/2003	Seminar: Der klassische Yoga [Classical Yoga] (2 hours/week). [B]
SS 2002	Proseminar: Leichte Sanskritlektüre: <i>Pañcatantra</i> [Easy Sanskrit reading: <i>Pañcatantra</i>] (2 hours/week). [B]
WS 2001/2002	Practical course: Einführung ins Sanskrit III [Introduction to classical Sanskrit III] (2 hours/week). [B]
SS 2001	Language course: Einführung ins Sanskrit II [Introduction to classical Sanskrit II] (4 hours/week SWS). [B]

Travel

August – September 2008	Research trip to the Anup Sanskrit Library, Bikaner, for the collation of five paper manuscripts of <i>Carakasamhitā</i> Vimānasthāna 8.67–157.
January – February 2007	Research trip to South India for the digitization of paper manuscripts of the <i>Carakasamhitā</i> and the <i>Āyurvedadīpikā</i> .

- February – March 2005 Research trip to Western India for the digitization of paper manuscripts of the *Carakasamhitā* and the *Āyurvedadīpikā*.
- August – October 2001 Research trip to South India for the digitization of palm leaf and paper manuscripts, and the acquisition of microfilm copies of manuscripts transmitting the *Pātañjala Yogaśāstra* and related texts.

Other Academic Activities

- 2013 Conception and organization of the conference “Yoga in Transformation: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives on a Global Phenomenon”. September 19-21 2013, University of Vienna. Together with Karl Baier and Karin Preisendanz.
- 2011 Conception and organization of the workshop “Information Technologies and Innovation in Sanskrit Based Indian Studies”, University of Vienna, Department for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies. Together with Karin Preisendanz.
- 2011 Reviewer of an application to the Standard Research Grants Program of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC).
- 2007, 2008 Referee for the International Journal of Hindu Studies.
- 2007 Conception and organization of the thematic panel “Textgenealogie, Textkritik und Editionstechnik” at the 30. Deutscher Orientalistentag, Freiburg i.Br. (together with Jürgen Hanneder).
- 1999 – 2001 Students’ representative in the committee for the appointment of a full professor in Indology at the University of Bonn.

Membership

- 2009 – Member of the “Historical Sourcebooks on Classical Indian Thought” project, convened by Prof. Sheldon Pollock, to be published by Columbia University Press.
- 2005 – Member of the research group “South Asian Medicine” of the British Academy’s Society for South Asian Studies.