

Bernd Schneidmüller – Research Profile

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Education and positions:

1972-1976 Studies in history, literature, theology, law at the Universities of Zurich (Switzerland) and Frankfurt/Main
1976 "Staatsexamen"
1977 PhD in History, University of Frankfurt
1978-1987 Research fellow, Universities of Frankfurt and Braunschweig
1985 Habilitation, University of Braunschweig
1987-1990 Professor of Medieval History (C2), University of Oldenburg
1990-1994 Chair (C4) in Medieval History, University of Braunschweig
1994-2003 Chair (C4) in Medieval and Regional History, University of Bamberg
1994-1997 Offers for chairs at the Universities of Köln, Oldenburg, Bonn (declined)
2003- **Chair (C4) in Medieval History, Co-Director of the Department of History, University of Heidelberg**

Research:

History of medieval Europe; European nation-building (9th-14th centuries); integration and disintegration in medieval cultures; rituals and symbolic communication; public performance of power and subjection; decision-making in medieval political communities; monasticism in the central middle ages.

Publications:

220 books and articles: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/md/zegk/histsem/mitglieder/wissenschaftl_ver_ffentljan14.pdf

Recent Grants:

DFG Priority Program "Integration and disintegration in European medieval cultures", 2005-2011 (coordinator); DFG Collaborative Research Program (SFB) 619 "The Dynamics of Rituals", 2005-2013 (vice-coordinator); DFG Collaborative Research Program (SFB) 933 "Material Text Cultures. Materiality and Presence of Writing in Non-typographical Societies", 2011-2015 (Member); Academy Program (Heidelberg Academy of Sciences) "Cloisters in the Central Middle Ages. Innovation Laboratories of European Life and Order" (coordinator).

Associate Editor:

Zeitschrift für Historische Forschung, Historische Studien, Mittelalter-Forschungen, Monographien zur Geschichte des Mittelalters, Heidelberger Veröffentlichungen zur Landesgeschichte und Landeskunde, Heidelberger Abhandlungen zur mittleren und neueren Geschichte

Memberships:

Marsilius-Kolleg, Institute for Advanced Study of the University of Heidelberg: Fellow (2009-2010), Director (2014-2017). Heidelberger Akademie der Wissenschaften (2005); Kommission für geschichtliche Landeskunde in Baden-Württemberg (2004); Kommission für bayerische Landesgeschichte bei der Bayerischen Akademie der Wissenschaften (2001); Konstanzer Arbeitskreis für mittelalterliche Geschichte (1998); Gesellschaft für Fränkische Geschichte (1996); Braunschweigische Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft (1993); Frankfurter Historische Kommission (1989); Historische Kommission für Niedersachsen und Bremen (1987)

Past/previous supervisions of doctoral students:

Supervision of a total of 130 completed diploma theses (MA, Staatsexamen, diploma), 19 completed doctoral theses, 4 habilitation theses.

Current supervision: 5 diploma theses, 5 doctoral theses, 4 habilitation theses

1996-2003: Co-founder, co-chair of the DFG Graduate program “Kunstwissenschaft – Bauforschung – Denkmalpflege“, Universities of Bamberg and Berlin

2003: Co-founder, co-chair of the DFG Graduate program “Generationenbewusstsein und Generationenkonflikte in Antike und Mittelalter” (until change to Heidelberg).

2005-2009: Graduate program of the University of Heidelberg “Das Konzert der Medien in der Vormoderne. Gruppenbildung und Performanz”

2005-2013: Vice-coordinator, DFG Collaborative Research Program (SFB) 619 “The Dynamics of Rituals”

2005-2011: Coordinator DFG Priority Program “Integration and desintegration in European medieval cultures”

2006-2014: Member of the Academic Advisory Council, University of Heidelberg

2007-2012: Coordinator of the research program „Transcultural Studies“, Excellence initiative, University of Heidelberg

Since 2007: Principal investigator, Cluster of Excellence “Asia and Europe in a Global Context. The Dynamics of Transculturality“, University of Heidelberg

2009-2015: Member of the University Council, University of Heidelberg

2010-2024: Coordinator Academy Research Program “Cloisters in the Central Middle Ages. Innovation Laboratories of European Life and Order” (Heidelberg Academy of Sciences).

2011-2015: DFG Collaborative Research Program (SFB) 933 “Material Text Cultures. Materiality and Presence of Writing in Non-Typographical Societies”.