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EDUCATION

- 2020** **Ph.D. in American History**
Heidelberg University, Department of History
- Dissertation: “*Fight for Americanism: Preparedness-Bewegung und zivile Mobilisierung in den USA 1914-1920*“
 - Advisor: Professor Manfred Berg
- 2016** **Visiting Scholar**
Columbia University, Department of History
- Advisor: Professor Adam Tooze
- 2015** **M.A. in Modern History and Political Science**
Kiel University, Department of History and Political Science
- Thesis: “*Struggle for Recognition: Die Argumentationsstrategien der konföderierten Diplomatie in Großbritannien während des Amerikanischen Bürgerkrieges 1861-1865*“
- 2013** **Semester Abroad**
San Diego State University, American Language Institute
- 2012** **B.A. in History and Political Science**
Kiel University, Department of History and Political Science
- Thesis: “*Verantwortungsethos und Diskursfähigkeit der Weimarer Parteien am Beispiel der Debatte um den Versailler Vertrag in der Nationalversammlung*“

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- since 2016** **Research Associate / Lecturer**
Heidelberg University, Department of History
- 2015** **Research Intern**
German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin
- 2014 – 2015** **Teaching Assistant**
Kiel University, Institute of Social Sciences
- 2014** **Research Intern**
German Historical Institute, Washington, D.C.
- 2011 – 2013** **Research Assistant**
Kiel University, Institute of Agricultural Economics, Chair of Applied Political Economics
- 2010 – 2013** **Library Assistant**
Kiel University, Department of History

SCHOLARSHIPS

2016	German Historical Institute Washington Doctoral Fellowship
2016	DAAD Doctoral Scholarship
2015 – 2016	Schurman Scholarship for American History
2014	DAAD Scholarship for Internships Abroad
2013	PROMOS Scholarship for Studies Abroad (granted by the DAAD)

COURSES TAUGHT

Winter 2019/20	American History in the Interwar Period, 1920-1941 (Heidelberg University)
Winter 2018/19	The History of the Republican Party, 1854-2016 (Heidelberg University)
Winter 2017/18	The United States and World War I (Heidelberg University)
Winter 2016/17	The American Civil War (Heidelberg University)
Winter 2014/15	Methodology in the Social Sciences (Kiel University)

PRESENTATIONS

“Die Urkatastrophe: Ursachen und Verlauf des Ersten Weltkriegs.” Seminar on ‘Geschichte Verstehen: 100 Jahre Erster Weltkrieg,’ Avicenna-Studienwerk Saarbrücken, November 9-11, 2018.

“A Shining City Above a Hill? American Exceptionalism and Historical Guilt in BioShock Infinite.” Conference on ‘Playing the Field: Video Games and American Studies,’ Amerikahaus Munich, April 26-29, 2018 (with Henning Jansen).

“The American Preparedness Movement in World War I.” Conference on ‘1917 – Revolution in War, Society in Revolution,’ Military History Institute Prague, September 19-21, 2017.

“Defense Societies in the Campaign for American Military Preparedness, 1914-1920.” 39th Annual Conference of the Historians in the German Association for American Studies on ‘The United States and World War I: Perspectives and Legacies,’ Heidelberg Center for American Studies, February 10-12, 2017.

PUBLICATIONS

“A Shining City and the Sodom Below: Historical Guilt and Personal Agency in BioShock Infinite.” *Playing the Field: Video Games and American Studies*. Ed. by Sascha Pöhlmann. Berlin/Boston, De Gruyter, 2019: 221-234 (with Henning Jansen).

“Preparedness Revisited: Civilian Societies and the Campaign for American Defense, 1914-1920.” *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era* 17/4 (2018): 663-676.

“Drittbewerber bei US-Präsidentenwahlen: Chancenlos, aber wahlentscheidend?” *Zeitschrift für Parlamentsfragen* 48/2 (2017): 311-328 (with Florian Gawehns).

“The United States and World War I: Perspectives and Legacies, Conference Proceedings.” *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 61 (2017): 137-142 (with Lara Track). Also published online on *H-Soz-Kult*, April 20, 2017, < <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/index.asp?pn=tagungsberichte&view=pdf&id=7127> >.

“Amerika und die Zukunft der europäischen Sicherheitsordnung: Die US-Debatte im Spiegel ausgewählter Think-Tank-Publikationen und Fachzeitschriften 2014/15.” *SWP Zeitschriftenschau* 2015/1 (2015): 1-8 (with Marco Overhaus),
< http://www.swp-berlin.org/fileadmin/contents/products/zeitschriftenschau/2015zs01_ovs_Franz.pdf >.