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EDUCATION

- 2020 – MPhil / PhD Modern Languages**
Institute of Languages, Cultures & Societies
School of Advanced Study, University of London
- Part-Time by Distance Learning
 - **PhD Project:** Pacific Island(er)s on the move: Eco-criticism and migration in indigenous Pacific short-form writing, 1976 - 2021
 - **PhD Supervisors:** Dr Joseph Ford (ILCS) & Dr Benjamin Hiramatsu Ireland (TCU)
- 2014 – 2016 Master of Arts Cross-Cultural Communication, *summa cum laude***
Horizons University, Paris, France
- Part-Time by Distance Learning
 - Dean's List with Distinction
 - **Thesis:** How an author's cultural background influences their work: A comparative study of cultural variations in Australian literature
 - **M.A. Supervisor:** Dr Gordana Dobrijević
- 2007 – 2010 Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Travel Journalism, *Upper Second Class***
University of Cumbria, conferred by University of Central Lancashire
- Joint Honours Journalism & Tourism Management
 - **Thesis:** In what ways do travel magazines define their readership and how does their style and content reflect this? An analysis of the travel market
 - **B.A. Supervisor:** Dr John Luffrum
- 1997 – 2006 Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife (Abitur), 3.4**
Gymnasium Schwertstrasse Solingen, Germany
- Grammar School diploma & German university entrance qualification
 - Bilingual Certificate for Additional German & English Studies
- 2003 – 2004 New Zealand Exchange Year, *Achieved with Merit***
Waitākere College, Auckland, New Zealand

EMPLOYMENT

- 09/2020 - **English (ESL) Teacher, *Freelance***
The English Specialist, Solingen, Germany
- 11/2020 - 10/2022 **English Instructor (Technical & IT Purposes)**
Berufsförderungswerk Köln, Diakonie Michaelshoven e.V.
Cologne, Germany
- 03/2017 - 08/2020 **English (ESL) & German (DaF) Teacher**
Advanx School of Languages, Solingen, Germany
- 07/2008 - 08/2014 **News Reporter & Youth Page Editor, *Freelance***
Solinger Tageblatt, Solingen, Germany
- 08/2010 - 02/2013 **Reporter & Photographer, *Freelance***
Southport Champion, Champion Media Group, Southport, UK
- 08/2010 - 02/2013 **Feature Photographer, *Freelance***
GR8 Life Magazine, Champion Media Group, Southport, UK
- 07/2009 - 02/2013 **Feature Photographer, *Freelance***
Life on Cars, Southport, UK
- 09/2007 - 05/2010 **Reporter, Subeditor & Editor**
The Informer, University of Cumbria, Carlisle, UK
- 04/2010 **Feature Writer, *Internship during BA***
Wanderlust Magazine, Windsor, UK
- 04/2007 - 05/2007 **Photographer, *Internship***
Parque Nacional Galápagos, Puerto Villamil, Isla Isabela, Ecuador
incl. collaboration with the Charles Darwin Research Station
- 10/2006 - 09/2007 **Feature Writer, *Freelance***
Itchy Feet Magazine, Selm, Germany
- 11/2006 - 12/2006 **News Reporter, *Internship***
Daily Voice, Cape Town, South Africa
- 10/2006 **News Reporter, *Internship***
P&P News, Accra, Ghana

PUBLICATIONS

- **Editorial Experience**

- 2020 - 2021 **SASiety.co.uk (*Editor-in-Chief*)**
School of Advanced Study Student Association Website
- 2013 - 2014 **Karl. (*Substitute Editor*)**
Twice weekly youth page in Solinger Tageblatt newspaper
- 2010 - 2012 **Shoestring Travel Magazine (*Editor-in-Chief & Publisher*)**
B.A. Final Project, 6 issues

- 2009 **Horizons Magazine (Editor)**
Special Summer Issue of *The Informer*
- 2008 **Write On! (Editor & Webmaster)**
Special Issue of *The Informer* for Words by the Water Literature Festival in Keswick
- 2008 **C.A.F.ine (Subeditor)**
Special Issue of *The Informer* for Carlisle Arts Festival
- 2007 - 2010 **The Informer (Subeditor, Travel Editor, Photo-Editor, Editor)**
University of Cumbria Student Newspaper

- **Photography**

- 2008 “There’s no business like…” in J. Tanner (Ed.) *Collected Impressions*. Owings Mill, USA: The International Library of Photography, p. 232

- **Journalistic Newspaper, Magazine & Blog Articles**

- 2021 “[Can ICwS be saved?](#)” *SASiety.co.uk*, 23 January
- 2020 “[ICwS and ILAS under threat](#)”, *SASiety.co.uk*, 27 October
- 2013 “Mit Kreidestaub für ein buntes Solingen“, *Karl.* (Solingen, Germany), 21 May
- 2012 “Feels like Cuba Libre” *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 6, pp. 11-13 (Southport, UK)
- 2012 “Terrorverdächtige bekennen sich schuldig“, *Solinger Tageblatt*(Solingen, Germany), 3 February
- 2011 “Trekking America on the Northern Trail”, *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 5, pp. 21-23 (Southport, UK)
- 2011 “Into Australia’s Red Centre”, *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 5, pp. 5-7 (Southport, UK)
- 2011 “Kapa Haka and thermal wonderlands”, *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 3, pp.25-27 (Southport, UK)
- 2011 “The Kindness of Strangers – Breakdown in Australia”, *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 3, pp. 14-17 (Southport, UK)
- 2011 “Für das Studium ins Ausland“, *Karl.*(Solingen, Germany), 24 May
- 2011 “So plane ich mein Gap Year!“, *Karl.* (Solingen, Germany), 22 January
- 2010 “30 short-hop summer adventures”, *Wanderlust*, Issue 112, pp. 43-56 (Windsor, UK)
- 2010 “Im Express auf virtueller Weltreise“, *Karl.*(Solingen, Germany) 10 April

- 2010 "Walking among lions – Encounters in Zimbabwe", *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 2, pp. 20-22 (Carlisle, UK)
- 2010 "Successfully breaking the language barrier", *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 1, p. 8 (Carlisle, UK)
- 2010 "A way to bypass the tourist routes – seeing the world one sofa at a time" – Interview with Brian Thacker, *Shoestring Travel Magazine*, Issue 1, pp. 6-7 (Carlisle, UK)
- 2009 "Mensch ist doch Mensch – für Gleichberechtigung ins Gefängnis" – Interview with Denis Goldberg, *Solinger Tageblatt*, (Solingen, Germany), 23 June
- 2009 "21 frische Gesichter, frische Ideen", *Solinger Tageblatt*, (Solingen, Germany) 26 May
- 2009 "Trotz Erblindung bleibt er Ritter", *Solinger Tageblatt*, Solingen, Germany, 23 May
- 2009 "Mit Solinger Hilfe ab ins Weltall", *Solinger Tageblatt*, (Solingen, Germany), 20 May
- 2008 "Ein ganz verschmutzter Kerl" - Interview with Ralf Schmitz, *Solinger Tageblatt*, (Solingen, Germany), 23 September
- 2008 "When the Berlin Wall came crumbling down", *The Informer*, Issue 47 (Carlisle, UK)
- 2008 "A new Bluebird comes to the Lakes" - Interview with Vesna Maric, *Write On!*, (Carlisle, UK)
- 2008 "Bittersweet Memories" - Interview with Kapka Kassabova, *Write On!*, (Carlisle, UK)
- 2008 "Students reject ID pilot scheme", *The Informer*, Big Issues Special Edition, Issue 45, (Carlisle, UK)
- 2007 "Globetrotter Palin's breathtaking Europe" - interview with Michael Palin, *The Informer*, Issue 43 (Carlisle, UK)
- 2006 "Drive or I'll shoot your brains out" (co-authored with Genevieve Serra), *Daily Voice*, (Cape Town, South Africa), 23 November
- 2006 "Train to tragedy" Track of Death Special Issue, *Daily Voice*, (Cape Town, South Africa), 14 November
- 2006 "My great escape" Track of Death Special Issue, *Daily Voice*, (Cape Town, South Africa), 14 November

ORGANISATION OF CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

27-28/08/2022 **Pazifik-Konferenz**
 Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
 Collaboration between Naturfreunde Deutschland & Pazifik Netzwerk

08/03/2021	Inaugural International Women's Day Symposium SASiety, School of Advanced Study, University of London
21-22/10/2016	Krise europäischer Flüchtlingspolitik – Ursachen von Flucht und Vertreibung (Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Saggau) Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten Collaboration between Naturfreunde Deutschland, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung NRW & Solinger Ökofonds
01-05/08/2005	Kulturen der Welt Ferien(s)pass Solingen

INVITED TALKS & WORKSHOPS

28/08/2022	Klimawandel und Umweltschutz im Pazifik Keynote Speaker at Pazifik-Konferenz Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
13/06/2021	Workshop: Interkulturelle Kommunikation Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
15/01/2020	Hawaii – von Monarchie zu US-Staat Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
08/09/2019	Südafrika nach Apartheid Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
17/03/2019	Galápagos – Darwins Paradies? Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
25/11/2018	Ghana, die „goldene Küste“ Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten
23/07/2017	Nationalpark & UNESCO Weltkulturerbe – Umweltschutz im britischen Lake District Naturfreunde Solingen-Theegarten

HONOURS, PRIZES, AWARDS & FUNDING

- **Honours, Prizes & Awards**

2020 -	Golden Key International Honour Society Membership for academic excellence during MA
02/2012	Duden Open 2011/12 Young Journalist Competition Short-listed
03/2011	Duden Open 2010/11 Young Journalist Competition Short-listed

- **Funding**

2009	Cumbria Bursary, University of Cumbria	£250
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 09/2020 - **The English Specialist**
Solingen, Germany
- Private English lessons CEFR levels A1 – C1
 - Small group English lessons CEFR levels A1 – C1
- 11/2020 - 10/2022 **Berufsförderungswerk Köln, Diakonie Michaelshoven e.V.**,
Cologne, Germany
- English Instructor for Technical English – Industrial Mechanics
 - English Instructor for Technical English – Technical Product Designers
 - English Instructor for Technical English – Architectural Draftsmen
 - English Instructor for Technical English – IT Systems Engineers
 - English Instructor for Technical English - Electricians
- 01/2022 - 06/2022 **School of Advanced Study, University of London**
London, United Kingdom
- German for Research Purposes Course Leader
- 03/2017 – 08/2020 **Advanx School of Languages**
Solingen, Germany
- German as a Foreign Language teacher (Deutsch als Fremdsprache/DaF) CEFR levels A1 – C1
 - English as a Second Language teacher (ESL) CEFR levels A1 – C1
 - IELTS, TOEFL & Cambridge Exam preparation courses
 - Goethe Zertifikat & Telc exam preparation courses
- 04/2007 **Colegio Fisco Misional Fray Agustin De Azkunaga**
Puerto Villamil, Galápagos, Ecuador
- Substitute English teacher, Years 10-13
- 11/2006 **Goede Hoop Primere Skool**
Boksburg, South Africa
- Substitute English teacher, Year 2
- 10/2006 **Little Angels Early Childhood Development Centre**
Accra, Ghana
- Daycare teacher
 - Basic writing and numeracy skills

ADMINISTRATION & VOLUNTARY WORK

- 2020 –present **SASiety, School of Advanced Study, University of London**
2021 – 2022 Committee Member: President
- All admin aspects of SASiety
 - Organisation of social & academic events as part of committee
- 2020 - 2021 Inaugural Committee Member: Editor-in-Chief & Publicity Officer
- Set-up and management of sasiety.co.uk and related social media channels
 - Organisation of social & academic events as part of committee

- 2001- present** **Naturfreunde Deutschland, Solingen-Theegarten, Germany**
 2022 – Board Member: Vice-President
 2020 – 2022 Executive Board Member: Secretary & Vice-President
 2018 – 2020 Board Member: Vice-President
 2016 – 2018 Board Member: Deputy Secretary
 2004 – 2006 Youth Group President
 2001 – 2004 Youth Group Secretary
- 2008 **University of Cumbria, Carlisle, UK**
 University of Cumbria Student Ambassador
- Open Day organisation
 - Aim Higher Cumbria Ambassador
- 04-05/2007 **Parque Nacional Galápagos, Puerto Villamil, Ecuador**
 Conservation Volunteer
- Photography for National Park Archive
 - Giant Turtle Breeding Centre staff
 - Charles Darwin Research Station
- 01-02/2007 **Leconfield Farm, Kootingal, Australia**
 Willing Worker on Organic Farms
- Land & livestock management (cattle & sheep)
 - Drought relief
 - Jillaroo / cowgirl
- 11/2006 **Students Travel And Exposure South Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa**
 Programme Coordinator
- Helping volunteers find the right social project
 - Welcome Seminars for new volunteers in South Africa
- 2004 - 2005 **Into Schüleraustausch, Köln, Germany**
 Pre-Departure Seminar Supervisor
- Seminars on life as an exchange student
 - Returnee Network for New Zealand

MEMBERSHIPS

- **Academic Organisations & Societies**

- 2023 - **New Zealand Studies Association (NZSA)**
- 2021 - **Association for the Study of Literature & Environment (ASLE)**
- 2021 - **Österreichisch-Südpazifische Gesellschaft (OSPG)**
- 2021 - **Pazifik-Netzwerk e.V.**
- 2021 - **European Association for the Study of Literature, Culture and Environment (EASLCE)**

- **Professional**

- 2014 - **GNS Press / European News Agency**

2008 - 2014 **Deutsche Jugendpresse**

- **Volunteer**

1998 - **Naturfreunde Deutschlands**

2007 **ELI Abroad (Experiential Learning International)**

2006 - 2007 **STAESA (Student Travel And Exposure South Africa)**

LANGUAGES

German C2 – native

English C2 – near-native

French B1 – intermediate

Spanish A2 – beginner