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Curriculum Vitae
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Research Fellow
German Historical Institute Washington
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EDUCATION

- 2016 Ph.D. in History, Leibniz University Hanover, Germany, Faculty of Arts
2011 M.A. in History, Leibniz University Hanover, Faculty of Arts
2008 B.A. in History and German Studies, Leibniz University Hanover, Faculty of Arts

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

German Historical Institute Washington

2020-present Research Fellow (History of the Americas)

Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Postgraduate Program in Social History

2018-2020 Visiting Lecturer

Leibniz University Hanover, Department of History

2011-2018 Research Fellow and Lecturer (Latin American and Caribbean History)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2018 *Apartments for Workers: Social Housing, Segregation, and Stigmatization in Brazil.*
Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft.

Peer-reviewed Articles

- 2020 “Desastre! Accidents, Traffic Conflicts, and U.S. Influence in the Construction of Automobile Hegemony in Brazil, 1910-1930.” *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies/Revue canadienne des études latino-américaines et caraïbes* 45, no.1: 104-21.
- 2019 “Automobilität in Lateinamerika – eine historiographische Analyse.” [Automobility in Latin America – A Historiographical Analysis] *Jahrbuch für Geschichte Lateinamerikas/Anuario de Historia de América Latina* 56: 369-95.
- 2017 “‘Only People Who Know It Here Speak Well of It...’: The Location of Social Housing in Brazilian Cities and Effects of Territorial Stigmatization.” *Brasiliana. Journal for Brazilian Studies* 5, no. 2: 307-26. (with Luciana Teixeira de Andrade)

Articles (non-peer review)

- 2022 “Rethinking Cross-Border Connections: An Introduction.” *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 70: 3-11. (with Andreas Greiner and Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş)
- 2021 “Automobile Tourism, Road Building, and Nature in the United States and Brazil, c. 1915-1935.” *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 68: 19-35.

Book Chapters (non-peer review)

- 2023 “Playgrounds for Travellers: Infrastructure, Environment, and Spatial Transformation in the Americas, 1880s-1920s.” In *Making Space Through Infrastructures*, edited by Dirk van Laak and Marian Burchardt, 43-62. Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter.
- 2019 “Stadtreformen und Wohnungskrise in Rio de Janeiro (1890-1906).” [Urban Reforms and Housing Crisis in Rio de Janeiro, 1890-1906] In *Menschenrechte in Lateinamerika*, edited by Eva Kalny and Heike Wagner, 149-64. Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft.
- 2019 “Luis dos Santos Vilhena: Nachrichten aus Brasilien und Salvador (1802).” [Luis dos Santos Vilenha: News from Brazil and Salvador (1802)] In *Das Ende des alten Kolonialsystems*, edited by Stefan Rinke and Christian Büschges, 138-47. Wiesbaden: Harrasowitz.
- 2014 “Howard in the Tropics? Lincoln Continentino, the English Garden City Idea, and the Establishment of Belo Horizonte’s Cidade Jardim in the 1940s.” In *Expert Knowledge in Latin American History: Local, Transnational and Global Perspectives*, edited by Stefan Rinke and Delia González de Reufels, 163-84. Stuttgart: Verlag Hans-Dieter Heinz.

Book Reviews

- Review of *Pensar las Infraestructuras en Latinoamérica*, edited by Dhan Zunino Singh, Valeria Gruschetsky, and Melina Piglia. *Technology and Culture* (forthcoming)
- Review of *The Street is Ours: Community, the Car, and the Nature of Public Space in Rio de Janeiro* by Shawn William Miller. *Journal of Latin American Studies* (forthcoming)

- 2023 Review of *The Freedom Riders Across Borders: Contentious Mobilities* by Barbara Lüthi. H-Soz-Kult. May 16. URL: <http://www.hsozkult.de/index.php/publicationreview/id/reb-131602>
- 2023 Review of *Wissen im Fluss: Der lateinamerikanische Staudammbau im 20. Jahrhundert als globale Wissensgeschichte* by Frederik Schulze. *Iberoamericana. América Latina – España – Portugal* 23, no. 82: 364-67.
- 2015 Review of *Brasilien: Eine Kulturgeschichte* by Ursula Prutsch and Enrique Rodrigues-Moura. *Historische Zeitschrift* 300: 126-27.

Edited Issues and Volumes

- 2022 “Rethinking Cross-Border Connections”, special issue, *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 70, guest-edited by Andreas Greiner, Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş, Mario Peters, and Roland Wenzlhuemer

Web-Based Publications

- 2022 “‘In Sieben Tagen von Rio nach New York’: Panamerikanismus, Mobilität und Wissen.” [From Rio to New York in Seven Days: Pan-Americanism, Mobility, and Knowledge], Max Weber Stiftung Themenportal, April 12. <https://www.maxweberstiftung.de/themenportal/beitraege/in-sieben-tagen-von-rio-nach-new-york-panamerikanismus-mobilitaet-und-wissen.html>

Works in Progress

- “Transport.” In *Dis:connectivity in Processes of Globalisation: Concepts, Terms and Practices*, edited by Christopher Balme, Burcu Dogramaci, and Roland Wenzlhuemer (forthcoming in 2024, co-author Andreas Greiner)
- “Roads to Exclusion: Socio-Spatial Dynamics of Transportation Infrastructure since the Nineteenth Century”, special issue, *The Journal of Transport History* (2024), guest-edited by Andreas Greiner, Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş, Mario Peters, and Roland Wenzlhuemer
- Environments of Inequality; Crises, Conflicts, Comparisons*, edited by Olaf Kaltmeier, Mario Peters, and Ann-Kathrin Volmer (Bielefeld: Kipu, forthcoming in 2025)

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

- 2022 Conference Funding, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), International Conference “Roads to Exclusion: Socio-Spatial Dynamics of Transportation Infrastructures since 1800”, Grant: 8,500€, co-applicant with Andreas Greiner and Carolin Liebisch-Gümüß
- 2022 Conference Funding, Fritz Thyssen Foundation, International Conference “German Migrants and Migrating Knowledge in Latin American History”, Grant: 10,000€, co-applicant with Simone Lässig, H. Glenn Penny, and Stefan Rinke
- 2018-2020 Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship for Postdoctoral Researchers, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, for a research stay in Rio de Janeiro, 24 months
- 2012 Research Fellowship for Doctoral Researchers, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), for a research stay in Belo Horizonte, 6 months
- 2012 Travel Grant, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), XI Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association (Brasa XI), University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 2009-2011 Fellowship for Postgraduate Students, German Academic Scholarship Foundation
- 2008-2011 Fellowships for Postgraduate Students, Leibniz University Hanover
- 2008 Award, Best Bachelor Thesis in History, Leibniz University Hanover

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

- 2024 “‘Orientação Pan-Americana’: Brazil, the United States, and the Pan-American Highway, c. 1920-1939”, 17th Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association. San Diego State University, San Diego, CA, April 3-6 (paper accepted).
- 2024 “Connecting the Americas: Pan-Americanism, Mobility, and Knowledge”, 137th Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association. San Francisco, CA, January 6 (poster accepted).
- 2023 “Toward a More Nuanced History of a Very Long Road: The Pan-American Highway, 1923-1941”, Annual Meeting of the Society for the History of Technology. University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, October 27.
- 2023 “The Intercontinental Railway and the Contentious Production of Knowledge”, 136th Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association. Philadelphia, PA, January 6.
- 2021 “Panamerikanismus, interkontinentale Mobilitätsinfrastrukturen und Wissen, ca. 1870-1930”, [Pan-Americanism, Intercontinental Mobility Infrastructure, and Knowledge, c. 1870-1930]. LMU Munich (online), December 3.
- 2021 “The Planning of Inter-American Transportation Infrastructure in the late Nineteenth Century”, Conference of the International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility T2M. Lisbon (online), November 3.

- 2021 “‘Recreational Wonderlands for Automobilists’: Infrastructure, Environment, and Spatial Transformation in the Americas in the 1920s”, Sixth Annual Conference of the Collaborative Research Center 1199: Processes of Spatialization under the Global Condition. Leipzig University (online), September 22.
- 2021 “The Intercontinental Railway Project: Infrastructure, Empire, and Hemispheric Unity in the Americas, c. 1881-1898”. Free University Berlin (online), May 25.
- 2019 “Road Building, Nature, and Inter-American Cooperation in Brazil in the 1920s”, 3rd World Congress of Environmental History, Federal University of Santa Catarina. Florianópolis, July 26.
- 2018 “Quem tem direito à rua? A construção social da preponderância do automóvel no Brasil, 1900-1930” [Who has the Right to the Street? The Social Construction of Automobile Hegemony in Brazil, 1900-1930], Conference Observatório das Metrópoles Vinte Anos. Rio de Janeiro, December 4.
- 2018 “Habitación social, educación pública y desigualdad social en el contexto urbano brasileño” [Social Housing, Public Education, and Social Inequality in Urban Brazil], International Conference “Perspectivas de los Jóvenes Frente a las Crisis”. University of Guadalajara, Mexico, April 12.
- 2016 “Social Housing, Urbanisierung und Stigmatisierung in Brasilien: Das Conjunto IAPI in Belo Horizonte” [Social Housing, Urbanization, and Stigmatization in Brazil: The Conjunto IAPI in Belo Horizonte]. University of Duisburg-Essen. Essen, Germany, April 26.
- 2015 “Social Housing, the Transformation of Urban Spaces and Social Inequalities in Brazil and the Atlantic World”, International Academic Meeting “Social Inequalities in the Atlantic Space”. Leibniz University Hanover, December 17.
- 2015 “Social Housing in Brazilian Urban Spaces and its Territorial Effects”, European Network for Housing Research Conference. ISCTE Lisbon University Institute. Lisbon, June 29.
- 2015 “Habitação Social, Urbanização e Exclusão: O Conjunto IAPI em Belo Horizonte, 1948-1972” [Social Housing, Urbanization, and Exclusion: The Conjunto IAPI in Belo Horizonte, 1948-1972]. Catholic University of Minas Gerais. Belo Horizonte, March 13.
- 2013 “Política Habitacional e Distinção Social em Belo Horizonte, entre 1940 e 1970” [Housing Politics and Social Distinction in Belo Horizonte, 1940-1970], XVI Congresso Brasileiro de Sociologia. Salvador da Bahia, September 13.
- 2013 “Howard in the Tropics? Lincoln Continentino, English Garden Cities, and the Construction of Belo Horizonte’s Cidade Jardim, c. 1940-1970”, Second Meeting of the ADLAF Working Group Latin American History in Global Perspective. Free University of Berlin, January 25.
- 2012 “Urbanization and Imagination in Brazil - Housing Politics, Visions of the City, and Strategies of Space Appropriation in Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, c. 1940-1975”, XI Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association, University of Illinois. Urbana-Champaign, September 7.

Interviews

2015 Interview with Radio Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, February 21.

INSTITUTIONAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE**German Historical Institute Washington**

Book series co-editor with Axel Jansen, Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş, Raphael Rössel, and Patricia Casey Sutcliffe at Franz Steiner Verlag. Series title: *Transatlantische Historische Studien/Transatlantic Historical Studies*. 2020-ongoing.

Member of Selection Committee, Visiting Post-Doctoral and Doctoral Long-Term Fellowships, 2020-ongoing.

Member of Selection Committee, Visiting Post-Doctoral and Doctoral Short-Term Fellowships, 2020-ongoing.

Co-editor of the History of Knowledge Blog. 2020-2023.

Coordination of the German Historical Institute's Cooperation with the Center for Advanced Latin American Studies (Guadalajara, Mexico) and the Collaborative Research Center SFB 1288 "Practices of Comparing. Ordering and Changing the World" (Bielefeld, Germany). 2020-2022.

Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Postgraduate Program in Social History

Member of the Graduate Admission Committee. 2018-2020.

Member of the Ph.D. Admission Committee. 2018-2020.

Member of Evaluation Committee, Master Thesis Qualification, Gustavo Ouverney Amaral: "Conselho Nacional de Petróleo: conexões internacionais: 1939-1955". September 2020.

Leibniz University Hanover

Member of the Study Commission of the Faculty of Arts. 2012-2017.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Journal Manuscript Reviewer: *Topoi – Revista de História* (Rio de Janeiro), *Cadernos de Arte e Antropologia*

Co-organized Conferences, Workshops, and Summer Schools

- 2022 International Conference “German Migrants and Migrating Knowledge in Latin American History”, German Historical Institute Washington. November 3-5. Co-organizer with Simone Lässig, H. Glenn Penny, and Stefan Rinke.
- 2022 International Summer School “Environments of Inequality: Crises, Conflicts, Comparisons”, University of Guadalajara, Mexico. September 25-30. Co-organizer with Cornelia Aust, Olaf Kaltmeier, and Ann-Kathrin Volmer.
- 2022 International Conference “Roads to Exclusion: Socio-Spatial Dynamics of Mobility Infrastructures since 1800”, German Historical Institute Washington. September 8-10. Co-organizer with Andreas Greiner, Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş, and Roland Wenzlhuemer.
- 2017 Workshop “Culturas de violencia y paz en Centroamérica y el Caribe (1979-2016)” [administrative organization], University of Costa Rica. November 1-3.
- 2013 Workshop for Doctoral Students “Neue Forschungen zur Geschichte Lateinamerikas und der Karibik” [New Research in Latin American and Caribbean History]. Leibniz University Hanover. June 13-15. Co-organizer with Christine Hatzky and Christian Helm.
- 2013 Workshop for Doctoral Students “Migration und Urbanisierung in Afrika und Lateinamerika” [Migration and Urbanization in Africa and Latin America], Leibniz University Hanover. February 7-9. Co-organizer with Harald Barre and Solenne Mazaleyrat.

Panels, Lectures, and Other Events Organized

- 2023 Panel, “Rethinking Roads: Histories of Exclusion, Resistance, and Appropriation” *Annual Meeting of the Society for the History of Technology*. University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA. October 27.
- 2023 Panel, “Infrastructure, Knowledge, and US Imperialism in the Americas, c. 1890-1970”, 136th Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association. Philadelphia, PA. January 6. Co-organizer with Andreas Greiner.
- 2022 Visit to the Embassy of Argentina in Washington DC for Participants of the Conference “German Migrants and Migrating Knowledge in Latin American History”. November 4.
- 2022 Film Screening and discussion “(Im-)mobile While Black: Narratives of Race & Movement in the United States”. Goethe Institut Washington, September 9. Co-organizer with Andreas Greiner and Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş.
- 2022 Spring Lecture Series “Not the Usual Suspects: Everyday Agents of Globalization in the Twentieth Century”. German Historical Institute Washington, in-person and online lectures. March-May. Co-organizer with Andreas Greiner.

- 2021 Panel “Transport Networks and Histories of Exclusion since the late Nineteenth Century”, Conference of the International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility T2M. Lisbon (online). November 3. Co-organizer with Geert Castryck, Andreas Greiner, Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş, and Miriam Pfordte.
- 2021 Panel, “Mobility Infrastructures and Spatial Transformation”, Sixth Annual Conference of the Collaborative Research Center 1199: Processes of Spatialization under the Global Condition. Leipzig University (online), September 22. Co-organizer with Geert Castryck, Carolin Liebisch-Gümüş, and Miriam Pfordte.
- 2021 Lecture Series “Mobilities and Migration across the Americas”. German Historical Institute Washington (online). January-April. Co-organizer with Albert Manke.

TEACHING

Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Postgraduate Program in Social History

História da Mobilidade nas Américas, séc. XIX e XX [History of Mobility in the Americas, 19th and 20th Centuries]. Fall 2019.

Leibniz University Hanover, Department of History

Populismus und Diktaturen in Lateinamerika [Populism and Dictatorship in Latin America]. Fall 2017.

Urbanisierung in Lateinamerika [Urbanization in Latin America]. Fall 2017.

Geschichte der Automobilität in Nord- und Lateinamerika [History of Automobility in the Americas]. Spring 2017.

Mobilität, Reisen und Tourismus in der Geschichte Lateinamerikas [Mobility, Travel, and Tourism in Latin American History]. Fall 2016.

Soziale Ungleichheit in Lateinamerika im 20. und 21. Jahrhundert [Social Inequality in Latin America, 20th and 21st Centuries] Co-teaching with Dr Daniela Celleri, Department of Sociology. Spring 2016.

Einführung in die Geschichte Lateinamerikas und der Karibik [Introduction to History of Latin America and the Caribbean]. Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015.

Populismus, Demokratie und Diktatur in Brasilien, 1930-1964 [Populism, Democracy, and Dictatorship in Brazil, 1930-1964]. Spring 2014.

Wohnen und soziale Gegensätze in globaler Perspektive, 20. und 21. Jahrhundert [Housing and Social Inequality in Global Perspective, 20th and 21st Centuries]. Spring 2013.

Brasilien seit 1940 [Brazil since 1940]. Fall 2012.

Slums, Favelas, Banlieues – Prekäres Wohnen als globales Phänomen [Slums, Favelas, Banlieues –Precarious Housing as a Global Phenomenon]. Fall 2012.

Geschichte des Rassismus in Brasilien und den USA im Vergleich [History of Racism in Comparative Perspective: Brazil and the United States]. Fall 2011.

Die Geschichte der Favelas in Rio de Janeiro [History of the Favelas of Rio de Janeiro]. Spring 2011.

PROFESSESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Brazilian Studies Association, Society for the History of Technology

LANGUAGES

German (native speaker)

English (fluent speaking, writing, listening, and reading)

Portuguese (near-native speaking, fluent writing, listening, and reading)

Spanish (conversational speaking, intermediate writing, fluent listening and reading)

French (can read)