

Curriculum Vitae

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MAIN AREAS OF INTEREST

History of the Family, Migration History, Gender and Sexuality, Transatlantic Exchanges, History of Knowledge

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECT

„A Boatful of Knowledge” Social Reform and Global Communication in the 19th Century

EDUCATION

8/2014: Ph.D. in Contemporary History, University of Münster
Dissertation Title: Mexican Immigrant Families, Social Experts,
Social Work and Changing Family Values in the 20th Century
United States
Advisors: Isabel Heinemann, Gabriele Metzler

2010-2014: Doctoral Studies, University of Münster, Department of History

2003-2009: Undergraduate Studies in Contemporary History, English and
American Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin and Universidad
de Oviedo, Spain

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Since 2018: Research Fellow, German Historical Institute, Washington DC

2015-2017: Postdoctoral Research Fellow, CDC 1150 “Cultures of Decision-
Making,” University of Münster, Project A 05

2010-2014: Junior Researcher, Emmy Noether Research Group “Family Values
and Social Change,” University of Münster

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph

Macho Men and Modern Women: Mexican Immigration, Social Experts and Changing Family Values in the 20th Century United States. De Gruyter Oldenbourg: Berlin, Boston, 2015.

Journal Articles:

“Planning a Puerto Rican family in New York. Symbolic Violence and Reproductive Decision-Making in the Planned Parenthood Film *La Sortija de Compromiso* (1965),” *International Journal of Media & Cultural Politics* 15 no. 3 (2019): 213-229 (peer reviewed).

“Pro Familia and the Reform of Abortion Laws in West Germany, 1967-1983,” *Journal of Modern European History* 17 no. 3 (2019): 297-311, Special Issue “Reproductive Decision-Making in Comparative Perspective”, edited by Isabel Heinemann and Johanna Schoen (peer reviewed), online accessible: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/1611894419854659>.

“Love without Fear. Knowledge Networks and Family Planning Initiatives for Immigrant Families in West Germany and the United States,” *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 64 (Spring 2019): 93-113, online accessible: https://www.ghi-dc.org/fileadmin/user_upload/GHI_Washington/Publications/Bulletin64/93.pdf.

“‘You have to remember to do something to make the pill work.’ Hormonelle Verhütung als Körpertechnik zwischen Disziplinierung und Selbstermächtigung,” *Body Politics. Zeitschrift für Körpergeschichte* 6 n. 9 (2018): 71-94 (peer reviewed).

“The Social Distance Scale, Emory S. Bogardus and Californian Interwar Migration Research offside the Chicago School,” *Journal of Migration History* 1, n. 2 (2015): 184-198 (peer reviewed).

“Spain is fighting for us. Representations of the Spanish Civil War by the German Left in Exile,” *Diacronie. Studi di Storia Contemporanea* 7, no. 7 (2011) online accessible: http://www.studistorici.com/2011/07/29/roesch_numero_7/.

Book Chapters:

“Experten in der Moderne am Beispiel des reproduktiven Entscheidens in den 1960er bis 1980er Jahren,” *Ressourcen des Entscheidens*, edited by Ulrich Pfister, 314-329, Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht: Göttingen, 2018.

“Children by Choice. Family Decisions and Value Change in the Campaigns of the American Planned Parenthood Federation (1942-1973),” *Children by Choice? Changing Values, Reproduction, and Family Planning in the 20th Century*, edited by Ann-Kathrin Gembries, Isabel Heinemann and Theresia Theuke, 58-76. De Gruyter: Berlin, Boston, 2018.

“Some kind of home.’ Mexikanische Einwandererfamilien, soziale Beratung und der Wandel von Familienwerten im Kalifornien der 1920er Jahre,” *Migration und Familie. Historische und aktuelle Analysen* edited by Meike Sophia Baader, Wolfgang Gippert and Petra Götte, 225-240. Springer VS: Wiesbaden, 2018.

“The Poorest of the Poor in this Country.’ Die Culture of Poverty und Debatten um die Armut mexikanischer Einwanderfamilien in den USA der 1960er Jahre,” *Soziale Ungleichheit im Visier. Wahrnehmung und Deutung von Armut und Reichtum seit 1945* edited by Eva-Maria Gajek and Christoph Lorke, 131-162. Campus: Frankfurt am Main, 2016.

“Failure to Provide.’ Mexican Immigration, Americanization and Marginalized Masculinities in the Interwar United States”, *Masculinities and the Nation in the Modern World: Between Hegemony and Marginalization* edited by Pablo Dominguez Andersen and Simon Wendt, 149-170. Palgrave Macmillan: New York, 2015 (peer reviewed).

“Umstrittene Familienkonzepte. Repräsentationen von Familienwerten US-Amerikanischer Experten und mexikanisch-amerikanischer Bürgerrechtsaktivisten im Wandel,” *Familientraditionen und Familienkulturen. Theoretische Konzeptionen, historische und aktuelle Analysen* edited by Meike Sophia Baader, Petra Götte and Carola Groppe, 257-280. Springer VS: Wiesbaden, 2013.

“Macho Man? Repräsentationen mexikanischer Familienstrukturen durch Sozialexperten, Sozialarbeiter und Bürgerrechtsaktivisten in den USA, 1940-1980,” *Das Andere denken: Repräsentationen von Migration in Westeuropa und den USA im 20. Jahrhundert* edited by Gabriele Metzler, 85-116. Campus: Frankfurt am Main, 2013.

“Americanization through Homemaking. Mexican American Mothers as Major Factors in Americanization Programs,” *Inventing the Modern American Family: Family Values and Social Change in 20th Century United States*, edited by Isabel Heinemann, 59-81. Campus: Frankfurt am Main, New York, 2012.

“Spain as a Battlefield of Ideologies. The Changes of International Alliances due to the Spanish Civil War 1936-1939,” *Unknown Clauses: The Background Deals of Totalitarian Systems in the Face of World War II: The Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact* edited by Zoltán Marusza, 93-101. Elte BTK: Budapest, 2010.

Edited Series:

Transatlantische Historische Studien. Stuttgart: Franz Steiner Verlag. With Simone Lässig, Axel Jansen, Elisabeth Engel and Jan Jansen (since 2018).

Other:

Book Review: Julie Guard: Radical Housewives. Price Wars and Food Politics in Mid-Twentieth Century Canada. Toronto, Buffalo, London 2019, in: Werkstatt Geschichte 81.1 (2020): 203-205.

Book Review: Hunter, Tera W.: Bound in Wedlock. Slave and Free Black Marriage in the Nineteenth Century. Cambridge 2017, in: H-Soz-Kult, 26.02.2019, <www.hsozkult.de/publicationreview/id/rezbuecher-29825>.

Interview: "I Want to Establish the History of Family Planning and Birth Control Clinics as a Transnational History" - 5in10 with Claudia Roesch, in: TRAFO - Blog for Transregional Research, 19.11.18, <https://trafo.hypotheses.org/15101>.

Article: "Familienplanung Transnational. Oder wie das Wissen über die Pille nach Deutschland kam" *Weltweit vor Ort. Das Magazin der Max Weber Stiftung* 2 (2018): 21-24.

Blog Post: "Eating Right and Civil Rights. How debates of hunger in America shifted from disease and delinquency to civil partaking," *Food, Fatness and Fitness, Critical Perspectives* blog edited by Jürgen Martschukat and Nina Mackert, Uni Erfurt, Aug. 11, 2015), <http://foodfatnessfitness.com/2015/08/11/eating-right-and-civil-rights-how-debates-of-hunger-in-america-shifted-from-disease-and-delinquency-to-civil-partaking/>.

Conference Report: What happened to the nuclear family in the 20th century? Empirical and epistemological findings in comparative perspective, Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, 2013, Münster, in: H-Soz-u-Kult, April 19, 2013, <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/tagungsberichte/id=4781>.

Newspaper Article: "Telling Tales of Grandfather's Great Escape," *The Guardian Weekly* 179 no. 13 (2008): 27.

TEACHING

2017 "Die Progressive Era in den USA, 1880-1920" (The Progressive Era in the United States, 1880-1920) BA History, University of Münster

2016 "Der Pate" und "My Big Fat Greek Wedding": Einwandererfamilien in den USA im 20. Jahrhundert (The Godfather and My Big Fat Greek Wedding: Immigrant Families in the 20th Century USA), BA History, University of Münster

2012/2013 "Rechts und Links - Soziale und Extremistische Bewegungen in den USA des 20. Jahrhunderts" (Left and Right - Social Movements and Extremism in the 20th Century United States), with Anja-Maria Bassimir, BA History, University of Münster

TEACHER SEMINARS ATLANTIC ACADEMY RHEINLAND-PFALZ

September 2017 Kulturkampf? Die politische Diskussion um Abtreibung

March 2016 Zwischen Privatheit und öffentlicher Debatte:
Reproduktionsentscheidungen in den USA

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 9/2019 Conference Grant German Science Foundation for the Conference
“Global Knowledge, Global Legitimacy? Transatlantic Biomedicine
since 1970”
- 2-7/2015 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Gerda Henkel Foundation for archive
research at the Sophia Smith Library, Northampton, MA and the
Schlesinger Library, Harvard University

Project: Between Public Decisions and Private Choice:
Reproductive Debates in the 20th Century United States
- 4/2012 German Academic Exchange Service Travel Grant to Attend the
European Social Science History Conference in Glasgow, Scotland
- 2-4/2011 Research Stay University of California, Berkeley

MEMBERSHIPS

German Historical Association, German Association for American Studies,
German Studies Association, American Association for the History of
Medicine

LANGUAGES

German (mother tongue), English (fluent), Spanish, French (Conversational),
Latin (basic)

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND LECTURE SERIES

- 2020/21 Spring Lecture Series: „The Spirit that I called” Artificial Life from
the Enlightenment to the Present am GHI Washington (with
Anna-Carolin Augustin)
- 2020 Co-Convener international Conference: Recreating Separate
Spheres Across Not-So-Separate Worlds: Gender and Reeducation
in Japan, Germany, and the USA after World War II am GHI PRO
Berkeley (with Heike Paul and Jana Aresin)
- 2019 Conference: Global Knowledge, Global Legitimacy? Transatlantic
Biomedicine since 1970, GHI Washington (with Axel Jansen)
- 2015-2017 Co-Organizer Lecture Series „Family and Kinship,” University of
Münster (with Isabel Heinemann, Michael Hecht, Elisabeth Timm,
Michael Greunich)

- 2017 Workshop: Reproductive Decision Making in Comparative Context, Workshop of the CDC 1150 “Cultures of Decision-Making” (with Isabel Heinemann and Johanna Schoen)
Conference: Resources of Decision-Making, Midterm-Conference CDC 1150 “Cultures of Decision-Making,” University of Münster (with Ulrich Pfister, Andre Krischer et al.)
- 2013 Conference: Refocusing the Modern American Family, Final Conference of the Emmy Noether Junior Research Group “Family Values and Social Change,” University of Münster (with Isabel Heinemann, Andre Dechert and Jana Hoffmann)
- 2010 Workshop: “Bro's, Homes, and Dudes.” Men and Masculinities in the 20th Century American Family, Second Workshop of the Emmy Noether Junior Research Group “Family Values and Social Change,” University of Münster (main organizer)
Workshop: “At the Heart of it all.” Concepts of Motherhood in the 20th Century USA, First Workshop of the Emmy Noether Junior Research Group “Family Values and Social Change,” University of Münster (with Isabel Heinemann, Andre Dechert and Anne Overbeck)

INVITED LECTURES

- “Zwischen Privatheit und öffentlicher Debatte: Reproduktionsentscheidungen in den USA und Westdeutschland, 1945-1993,” University of Bochum, July 2017
- “Children by Choice? Reproductive Decision-Making and the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, 1942-1993,” University of Cologne, June 2017
- “Deutsch-amerikanische Sexualaufklärung? Planned Parenthood und die transatlantischen Netzwerke zur Gründung der deutsche Pro Familia,” University of Münster, Department of Education, November 2015
- “Familia, Machismo, Compadrazgo? Mexican American Families in the 20th Century USA,” Humboldt University Berlin, June 2010

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- „Children by Choice - A Transnational History of Family Planning in West Germany” International Standing Working Group: “Feminism in the Media/Feminism and the Media in the 20th Century”, GHI London November 2019
- “Wunsch Kinder - A transnational history of family planning in West Germany”, GHI Washington, October 2019
- “The Translations of Our Bodies, Ourselves: Feminist Self-help Handbooks in 1970s West Germany” 43rd Annual Conference, German

- Studies Association, Portland, OR, October 2019
- “The Controversy over the Abortion Pill RU 486”, GHI Washington, September 2019
 - Commentator Panel IV “Ethnonationalism and its Challenges for Reproductive Justice”, Conference “Gender and Ethnonationalism: A New Era of Reproductive Choices and Constraints”, Münster, June 2019
 - “The Pill and Its Side Effects – A Transnational History of Hormonal Contraceptives in West Germany”, Annual Conference of the American Association for the History of Medicine, Columbus, OH, April 2019
 - “Those who remember and those that want to forget: America’s Eugenic Legacy, Planned Parenthood, and Reproductive Rights since 1945”, Annual Conference of the Historians of the German Association for American Studies, Lichtenfels, February 2019
 - “Concepts of Motherhood and the Introduction of Oral Contraceptives in West Germany,” 42nd Annual Conference, German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, September 2018
 - “Glauben oder Wissen? Die amerikanische Anti-Abtreibungsbewegung und die Kontroversen um den Beginn des Lebens,” 52nd Biennial Meeting of German Historians (Historikertag), Münster, September 2018
 - “Migrant Knowledge and Concepts of Family Planning in West Germany and the United States”, GHI West Berkeley, April 2018
 - “Immigrant Families and Family Planning – a comparative case study between initiatives for guest workers in Germany and Latinos in the US”, University of Palma de Mallorca, March 2018
 - “Silent No More! Narrative des Entscheidens in Kampagnen der Befürworter und Gegner legaler Abtreibungen in den USA der 1980er Jahre,” University of Münster, December 2017
 - “Transnational Family Planning? German-American Cooperation at International Conferences from 1948 until 1989,” University of Houston, November 2017
 - “From Right to Life to Operation Rescue. The Re-shaping of Conservative Cultures through the Anti-Abortion Movement in the 1980s USA,” German Historical Institute London, September 2017
 - “Pro Familia and the Reform of Abortion Laws in West Germany, 1967-1983,” University of Münster, September 2017
 - “Between Isolation and Change. Mexican American Families in the 1950s Southwest,” Annual Conference of the German Association of American Studies, Hannover, June 2016
 - “Expertenrat und soziale Bewegungen: Reproduktives Entscheiden in der 1960er bis 1980er Jahren,” University of Münster, May 2017.
 - “Children by Choice? Narratives of Reproductive Decision-Making in West Germany and the United States, 1945-1993,” Villa Vigoni Conference, Family Matters, Menaggio, February 2017
 - “Bevölkerungssteuerung und Familienberatung in den USA. Das Clergymen Advisory Council von Planned Parenthood und die Debatte um Familienplanung in den 1950er und 1960er Jahren,” 51st Biennial Meeting of German Historians (Historikertag), Hamburg, September 2016

- “Children by Choice. Familienentscheidungen und Wertewandel in der Kampagne der amerikanischen Planned Parenthood Federation,” University of Mainz, April 2016
- “American in Politics and Mexican in Culture. The Political Mobilization of Mexican Americans in Texas, 1924-1939,” Leibniz Institute for European History, Mainz, December 2015
- “Between Private Decisions and Public Debates. Narratives about Strengthening American Families through Planned Parenthood, 1942 to 1968,” University of Regensburg, November 2015
- “Social Change and Mexican Immigrant Families in the 20th Century United States,” University College London, Annual Postgraduate Conference on the Americas, London, April 2015
- “Nutrition and Crime? Food in the Americanization Programs for Mexican Immigrant Families in the American Southwest, 1920-1940,” Annual Conference of the Historians of the German Association for American Studies, Erfurt, February 2015
- “Mexikanische Einwandererfamilien, soziale Beratung und der Wandel von Familienwerten im Kalifornien der 1920er Jahre,” Annual Conference Association for the Study of the History the Family (Arbeitskreis historische Familienforschung), Hildesheim 2015
- “Die ‘Culture of Poverty’ und Debatten um die Armut mexikanischer Einwandererfamilien in den USA der 1960er Jahre,” University of Münster, November 2014
- “Familia, Machismo, Compadrazgo? Mexican American Families and Changing Social Norms in the 20th Century USA,” University of Münster, June 2013
- “Americanizing the Family Size. Population Growth, Social Welfare Counselling and Mexican Immigrant Families in California, 1920-1940,” European Social Science History Conference, Glasgow, April 2012
- “‘Failure to Provide.’ Mexican Immigration, Americanization, and Marginalized Masculinities in Interwar California,” Heidelberg Center for American Studies, March 2012
- “Familienstrukturen als Indikator für Amerikanisierung? Interpretationen des Machismo durch Sozialexperten, Sozialarbeiter und Bürgerrechtsaktivisten, 1940-1970,” Humboldt University, Berlin, June 2011
- “Familia, Machismo, Compadrazgo? Debatten um mexikanische Einwandererfamilien in den USA im 20. Jahrhundert,” Postgraduate Workshop on Contemporary History (Universities of Münster and Oldenburg), Havixbeck, May 2011
- “Umstrittene Familienkonzepte. Repräsentationen von Familienwerten US-amerikanischer Experten und mexikanisch-amerikanischer Bürgerrechtsaktivisten im Wandel,” Annual Conference Association for the Study of the History of the Family (Arbeitskreis historische Familienforschung), Augsburg, January 2011
- “The Social Experts’ View on Machismo,” University of Münster, December 2010
- “‘Americanization through Homemaking.’ Mexican American Mothers as a Major Factor in Americanization,” University of Münster, July 2010
- “Debates about Chicano Families in the United States in the Period of

- High Modernity (1910-1980),” University of Münster, December 2009
- “Spain as a Battlefield of Ideologies. The International Dimensions of the Spanish Civil War,” Elte University Budapest, December 2009

Washington DC, June 19, 2020.