

Positions

- 03/2019- Postdoc researcher and leader of the project "Police-translations – multilingualism and the everyday production of cultural difference", Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
- 02/2014-02/2019 Postdoc researcher in the project "Africa's Asian Options", Goethe University Frankfurt
- 08/2010-01/2014 Research fellow in the project „ Boundary work: Police in West Africa“, Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
- 11/2009-07/2010 Scholarship for PhD students from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
- 04/2009-09/2009 Lecturer at the Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Education

- 2014 **Dr. phil** in social anthropology, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
Thesis: Boundary Work. The Police in West Africa
- 09/2008-02/2014 Doctoral study in social anthropology at the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
- 2001-2008 Studies in social anthropology (first major) and comparative literature (second major) at the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz. **M.A.** (with distinction)

Field research

- 08/2017-09/2017 Research on transnational fraud in Ghana (Wa) and Kenya (Nairobi)
- 08/2016-09/2016 Research on transnational fraud in Kenya (Nairobi)
- 10/2014-11/2014 Research on transnational fraud and cybercrime in India (Mumbai and Delhi)
- 01/2012-03/2012 Comparative research on police work and bureaucratic practices in Niger (Niamey) and Ghana (Accra/Tema)
- 08/2011 Research on police work in Germany

11/2009-07/2010	Research on police work, stateness, and moral orders in Ghana (South; Accra/Tema)
11/2008-01/2009	Research on police work and political influence in Ghana (South)
09/2006-12/2006	Research on police work and police-civilian interactions in Ghana (North)

Awards

2015	KFW Research Prize for excellence in policy relevant research on developing countries
2010	VAD young scholars award for an excellent thesis in African studies
2009	Sulzmann foundation award for an excellent thesis

Conferences

24.-26.05.2018	Embracing Messy Methods: Digital, mobile and international research practices (with Veit Bachmann und Rirhandu Mageza-Barthel). International Workshop at the Goethe University Frankfurt
1.-3.12.2016	Fraud, fake and make-believe: Transregional and transdisciplinary perspectives (with Cassis Kilian und Matthias Krings). International Workshop at the Goethe University Frankfurt
28.-30.09.2016	Afrasian Transformations: Beyond Grand Narratives? (with Frank Schulze-Engler and others). International conference at the Goethe University Frankfurt
3.-5.12.2015	Geteilte Forschung. Epistemologische Herausforderungen gemeinsamen Forschens in transregionalen Zusammenhängen (with Julia Verne). International Workshop at the Goethe University Frankfurt
5.9.-8.9.2013	„Mit Notizblock und Smartphone. Ethnologische Verortungen“ (with other doctoral students). Summer school for doctoral students in Worms
12.-15.06.2013	Just Police Work: Ethnographic Research on the Police in Africa (with Carola Lentz and Mirco Göpfert). International workshop held at the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany, June 2013.

Languages

English, Spanish, Twi, Russian, Dagara, qualification in Latin, qualification in ancient Greek