

Education:

SCHOOL

- 1988 – 1992:** Primary School in Vienna, Austria
1992 – 2000: Secondary School in Vienna, Austria

UNIVERSITY

- 03/2001 – 04/2008:** University of Vienna. Magister (approx. equivalent to MA) in Special Needs and Inclusive Education.

Thesis in German:

“Der Einfluss von Sexualerziehung auf das Auftreten von sexuellem Missbrauch an Frauen mit intellektueller Behinderung”

(“The impact of sex education on the occurrence of sexual abuse of females with intellectual disability”)

- 10/2008 – 01/2015:** PhD studies at the University of Vienna, Department of Education
Date of Defense: January 30th, 2015

Thesis:

“Culture and Society – Bound Factors Affecting Educational Environments of Children with Disabilities in Greater Bangkok – Accepting Karma and Leading aHappy Life in a Transiting Urban Area”

- 04 – 07/2009:** Erasmus PhD scholarship Berlin/ Humboldt University

Work Experience:

- **Until 2009:** range of jobs next to my studies in administration, the service and social sector
- **2001-12/2009:** Carer for persons with learning difficulties

ACADEMIC

- **03 – 08/2008:** Study assistant at the Department of Education, University of Vienna (Research Unit Special Needs and Inclusive Education)
- **10/2008 – 02/2009:** Independent contractor at the Department of Education, University of Vienna (Research Unit Special Needs and Inclusive Education)

- 02/2010 – 07/2014:** Universitätsassistentin (predoc)/ lecturer at the Department of Education, University of Vienna (Research Unit Special Needs and Inclusive Education)

Tasks:

Researcher in charge of research activities within the project Classifications of Disabilities in the Field of Education in Different Societal and Cultural Contexts (CLASDISA) at the Department of Education, University of Vienna. (CLASDISA is a comparative study focusing on barriers and facilitators in the field of education for children with disabilities in Austria, Ethiopia and Thailand. Between 2010 and 2015 I spent approx. 10 months in and around Bangkok to conduct and coordinate research in more than 20 educational facilities, DPOs, NGOs, orphanages etc. See <http://classifications-of-disabilities.univie.ac.at/> for more).

Lecturer:

Teaching at BA and MA level in the fields of inclusive education (focus on disability as cutting theme of international development, poverty, social justice, diversity, equality, gender, environment, culture etc.)

10/2011 – 07/2014: Team member of the project Responding to Poverty and Disability Through Higher Education (RESPOND-HER) at the Department of Education, University of Vienna coordinating the research focus on gender and CBR Workers. This project was funded through means of the Austrian Development cooperation (APPEAR). See <http://respond-her.univie.ac.at/> for more.
- 09/2014 – 09/2015:** Research Associate (between 0.4 and 0.6) at Kingston University London, School of Education.

Tasks:

Writing up research proposals, supporting colleagues in designing research projects, conducting literature reviews. Focus on interdisciplinary research projects.
- 11/2014 – 01/2015:** Temporary contracts @ Department of Education, Special Needs and Inclusive Education.

Tasks: Supporting final documentation and publication of the RESPOND-HER project and leading data archiving of data collected in the course of the CLASDISA project.
- 02/2015 – 05/2015:** Part-time employee with VOLKSHILFE Österreich (nonprofit organisation based in Austria) to advise their project on child poverty in Austria.
- 10/2015 – 06/2017:** Part-time senior lecturer and part-time post doc – researcher at the Department of Education and the Center for Teacher Education, University of Vienna.
- 07/2017 ongoing:** Tenure track position at the Center for Teacher Education and Department of Education, University of Vienna

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

- Editorial board member of Austrian Journal of South East Asian Studies (ASEAS)
- Member of the DGFE
- Member of Wiener Gesellschaft für Interkulturelle Philosophie
- Member of IASSID
- Profiles at academia.edu and reserchgate.net

ACADEMIC AWARDS/ SHOLARSHIPS

- ERASMUS
 - 2009: Scholarship for an academic term at Humboldt University
 - 2014: Staff mobility for teaching at Kingston University, London
- ASEA Uninet
Since 2010 continuous scholarships to (co-)fund research activities for PhD and PostDoc research in Thailand and Myanmar
- ENITS/ The Project of Empowering Network for International Thai Studies (Institute of Thai Studies, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok): Scholarship for graduate students in 2013
- 2016: Bernd Rode Award: Junior Researcher

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Diversity in schools – Focus disability
- Inclusive Education
- Inclusive Didactics and teacher training
- Disability at the intersection of gender/diversity, culture, Human Rights, Human Development, religion and school/ formal and non-formal settings
- Research about and with children with disabilities
- Intersection education, disability, and refugees
- Transculturality with a focus on flight/escape/migration

FURTHER EXPERIENCES IN THE SOCIAL FIELD

- Practical in a specialized Kindergarten and School in Vorarlberg
- Practical at „B.O.K. – Berufsorientierungskurs
- “Anamnesgruppe”: Otto – Wagner – Spital/ Medical University Vienna
- **Summer 2008 to 2009:** Learning support for asylum seekers at Diakonie
- **10/2013 to 1/2015:** Coordinator of external expert advisory group in the project “Access to Specialised Victim Support Service for Women with Disabilities who have Experienced Violence” (see <http://women-disabilitiesviolence.humanrights.at/> for further information) at the Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights
- **Since 2009:** Free time assistant for persons with so called Learning Difficulties at Caritas

- **Summer 2015:** Co-founder of SOLIdee (www.solidee.at). Refugee initiative associated with the Department of Education, University of Vienna in the context of the university's initiative "Uni Hilft"

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- **1998 – 2010:** Volunteer at the AidsHilfeWien (Aids Support Vienna)
- **Since 1999:** Volunteer at Amnesty International, Board member since **04/2014**
- Broad national and international travel and (volunteer) project experience mostly focusing on teaching, environment and children, including the following:
 - Train the trainer in the field of HIV and AIDS awareness in Moldova
 - Summer vacation activities for children/youth with severe disabilities, Albania
 - Teaching in and reconstruction of a village school in India
 - Practical in a Vietnamese institution for children and old people affected by Agent Orange, Vietnam

FURTHER QUALIFICATIONS

IT:

- Office
- TYPO 3
- Data analysis: ATLAS.ti, NVivo, basics in SPSS
- Endnote
- OJS
- F4/5

LANGUAGES:

- German: Mother Tongue
- English: Excellent (IELTS-Score: 8)
- Thai: A2 – B1
- Spanish: A2
- Swedish: A2
- Austrian Sign Language: A1+