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Date of Birth: 09.06.1998

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Academic Qualification

Doctoral Studies and Research Fellow in Sociology

Research Training Group 2571 Empires (DFG funded)
University of Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, Germany
Thesis: From Colonial to Indigenous Universities: Tracing Colonial Legacies and
Epistemic Resistance in Mexico
(Supervision: Prof. Dr. Manuela Boatcă)
May 2025 – ongoing

Research Fellow

Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social Occidente (CIESAS Occidente). Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.
Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla (BUAP). Puebla, Mexico.
Supervision: Inés Durán Matute (CIESAS Occidente) and John Holloway (BUAP)
March 2024 – December 2024

Master of Arts in Sociology, with distinction

University of Vienna, Austria
Thesis: The heterogeneity of the sociological. A journey from critical theories of the
sociology of social transformation to anticolonial knowledge production at indigenous
universities.
(Supervision: Assoz.-Prof. Emma Dowling, PhD)
March 2022 – January 2025

Exchange Semester, Master of Arts in Sociology

Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Mexico City, Mexico
Study programmes: Social and Political Sciences, Latin American Studies
Grade: 10 (DE: 1,0)
August 2022 – January 2023

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, with distinction

Minor: Cultural and Social anthropology
University of Vienna, Austria
Thesis: Sociology of Absences. A Dialogue of Sociology Knowledge between
Communicative Constructivism and Decolonial Theory (Supervision: Ass.-Prof. Dr.
Tilo Grenz)
October 2018 – February 2022

High School Diploma

Freie Waldorfschule Überlingen, Baden-Württemberg, Germany
September 2014 – July 2018

Primary and Secondary School Diploma

Rudolf Steiner Schule, Kreuzlingen, Thurgau, Switzerland
September 2005 – July 2014

Teaching Experience**Teaching Assistant. Institute for Cultural and Social Anthropology, University of Vienna, Austria**

Course: Introduction into Transcultural Communication
March 2023 – August 2023

Academic Presentations**From Colonial to Indigenous Universities: Tracing Colonial Legacies and Epistemic Resistance in Mexico (*Accepted*)**

Empires: “Experience, Memory and Idea”
Pamplona, Spain
October 1st-3rd, 2025

Indigenous Universities as Challenges to Decolonial Knowledge Production (*Accepted*)

“Un/Commoning Anthropology”. Conference of the German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology
Cologne, Germany
September 30th, 2025

Unsilencing Indigenous Knowledge: Decolonial Challenges to Sociological Knowledge Production through Indigenous Universities (*Accepted*)

5th ISA Forum of Sociology
Rabat, Morocco
July 10th, 2025

Indigenous Universities as Comunal Public Sociology: Decolonial Challenges to Sociological Knowledge Production (*Accepted*)

5th ISA Forum of Sociology
Rabat, Morocco
July 7th, 2025

Antikoloniale Transformationssoziologie: Indigene Universitäten als Herausforderungen der professionellen Soziologie (*Accepted*)

Tagung Transformationssoziologie konkret
Darmstadt, Germany
July 1st, 2025

The heterogeneity of the sociological. A journey from critical theories of the sociology of social transformation to anticolonial knowledge production at Indigenous universities (*Accepted*)

15. Woche der soziologischen Nachwuchsforschung
Vienna, Austria
June 17th, 2025

Decolonizing Academic Knowledge Production: Epistemic Resistance and Indigenous Universities in Mexico

XXVI. Mesoamerikanistik-Tagung

Vienna, Austria

February 2nd, 2025

Indigenous Universities as Public Anthropology: Decolonial practices of academic knowledge production

4th Vienna Anthropology Days

Vienna, Austria

September 24th, 2024

Desafiando el racismo epistémico y las geopolíticas del conocimiento: la transformación de la educación superior indígena y la producción autónoma de conocimiento en el caso de la Universidad Autónoma Comunal de Oaxaca.

Foro Perspectivas Interdisciplinarias sobre Trayectorias de Jóvenes Indígenas. En y más allá de la educación superior

Mexico City, Mexico

August 23rd, 2024

The Sociology of Absences as a Perspective on the Coloniality of Knowledge

Guest lecture in the course “Introduction into Sociological Theory”

Vienna, Austria

June 20th, 2023

Sociology of Absences: Theorizing From The Margins

15th Conference of the European Sociological Association “Sociological Knowledge for Alternative Futures”

Barcelona, Spain

September 1st, 2021

Languages

German: First language

Spanish: C2

English: C1

French: B2

Software

Microsoft Office

Atlas.ti

SPSS

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Zotero

Research interests

Latin American Sociology

Sociology of Knowledge

Decolonial Theories

Historical Sociology

Transcultural Communication

Social Theory

Social Science Journalism

Indigenous Education

Academic Memberships	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie International Sociological Association European Sociological Association FG DeKolonial – Fachgesellschaft für rassismuskritische, postkoloniale und dekoloniale Theorie und Praxis
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Grants and Scholarships	Short-term research grant abroad, University of Vienna, 2024 Merit Scholarship, University of Vienna, 2023 Scholarship abroad, University of Vienna, 2022 Merit Scholarship, University of Vienna, 2022 Merit Scholarship, University of Vienna, 2021 Merit Scholarship, University of Vienna, 2019
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