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EDUCATION

2016 – present	Doctor of Philosophy, Germanic Languages and Literatures The Ohio State University
2014 – 2016	Master of Arts, Germanic Languages and Literatures The Ohio State University
2010 – 2014	Bachelor of Arts, Germanic Languages and Literatures The Ohio State University ■ Minor in Education

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Ecocriticism (especially Ecofeminism and Material Ecocriticism)
Posthumanism, Animal & Plant Studies
Disability Studies
Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

2019 (forthcoming)	“The Ableist Human: Rethinking Agency with Ability through Max Frisch’s <i>Man in the Holocene</i>.” <i>Studies in the Humanities</i> , Disability Studies and Ecocriticism: Critical and Creative Intersections, 2019.
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OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2019	“House Bill 6 Bad for Ohioans, Environment.” <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i> 22 May 2019.
2019	“Quarry Trails in Development.” <i>The Sierran</i> . Spring: 4-5.
2019	“Spring is almost here! Keep these 6 eco-friendly spring-cleaning ideas in mind.” <i>The Sierran</i> . Spring: 1.
2014	“Alptraum.” <i>Simplicissimus: The Harvard College Journal of Germanic Studies</i> 4: 22-25.

PRESENTATIONS

September 2019	“Multi-species Co-construction in Yoko Tawada’s <i>Etüden im Schnee</i>” Presentation at the 2019 Biennial Conference of the Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment, UK and Ireland <i>Co-emergence, Co-creation, Co-existence</i>
February 2019	“Differently-Abled Natures: Ability and Agency” Presentation at the Ohio State University <i>Environmentangled</i>
November 2018	“Disabled Nature as Other” Presentation at the University of Wisconsin-Madison <i>Welcome to the Otherhood</i>
October 2018	Roundtable: Graduate Student Experiences Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Ohio State University <i>48th Annual Graduate and Professional Student Recruitment Initiative</i>
October 2018	“Educating MA and PhD students in the face of current challenges in higher education.” Co-presentation with May Mergenthaler <i>Ohio German Studies Workshop</i>

August 2018	Roundtable: Graduate Student Language Instruction Center for Languages, Literatures, and Cultures Ohio State University Annual Graduate Teaching Associate Workshop
June 2018	“Differently-abled Natures in Frisch’s <i>Der Mensch erscheint im Holozän</i>” Sponsored Attendee and Presenter at the Transatlantic Summer Institute University of Minnesota <i>Transforming Environments in Europe and North America: Narratives, Histories, Cultures</i> , June 18-29, 2018.
April 2018	“Lateral Movement in the Environmental Humanities: An Ecocritical Analysis of Yoko Tawada’s <i>Etüden im Schnee</i>” Presentation at Cornell University <i>Flanking Maneuvers: Das Laterale Denken</i> . https://blogs.cornell.edu/thelateral/
March 2018	“Time, Place and the Elements in Max Frisch’s <i>Der Mensch erscheint im Holozän</i>.” Presentation at the University of California, Berkeley <i>Elemental Media</i> .
February 2018	“Memory, Time and Place in <i>Der Mensch erscheint im Holozän</i>: A Rhetorical and Cognitive Narratological Examination of the Aging and Memory Loss of Herr Geier, His Place in the Universe and His Story for Humanity.” Presentation at The Ohio State University <i>Gatekeepers of Memory</i>
March 2017	“The Difficulties in Overcoming Dualism: A Critique of Val Plumwood’s Environmental Culture.” Presentation at the University of Maryland <i>Breaking New Ground: Pluralistic Approaches to Global Ecocriticism</i> . https://breakingnewgroundumd.weebly.com/

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2019 – 2020	Fulbright 10-month Research Grant
AU 2019	The Edward J. Ray Travel Award for Scholarship and Service
SU 2019	ENGIE-Axium Scholarship Award
2019	Sierra Club Fellow
SP 2019	Global Arts and Humanities Graduate Student Fellow
2018	Ohio State University Office of Energy and Environment Travel Grant
2018	Sponsored Attendee of the Transatlantic Summer Institute at the University of Minnesota, <i>Transforming Environments in Europe and North America: Narratives, Histories, Cultures</i>
2014 – 2015	Ohio State University Graduate Fellow
2014	Harvard University National German Poetry Contest: 1st Place
2010 – 2014	Ohio State University Morrill Scholar “Academically exceptional students who are actively engaged in diversity-based leadership and service activities and eager to serve as student ambassadors and champions of academic excellence and diversity.”
2010 – 2013	Art Scholar “academically high achieving students;” “arts focused community for intellectual, social and civic development;” “demonstrate support and appreciation for diversity”

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2018 – 2019	President of the Germanic Graduate Student Association
2018 – 2019	Treasurer of the Germanic Graduate Student Association
2017	Departmental Outreach: Halloween Fairy Tales Reading
2017 – 2018	Graduate Studies Committee Representative
2015 – 2017	Vice President of the Germanic Graduate Student Association
2015 – 2016	Scheduling Committee Graduate Representative
2014 – 2016	Member of Kaffeestunde Committee

2014 – 2015 Graduate Student Liaison to the Undergraduate Studies Committee

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 – 2020 Fulbright Research Fellow at the Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich

2019 – Present Sierra Club Fellow

2015 – Present Graduate Teaching Associate at Ohio State University

Spring 2019 Global Arts and Humanities Graduate Student Fellow

2018 – 2019 Editor for *The Sierran*, the Sierra Club Central Ohio Group Newsletter

2017 – Present Independent Translator

2014 – Present Independent Tutor of German

Summer 2017 Resident Director of Study Abroad Program in Berlin, Lecturer at Ohio State University

- Co-taught summer Berlin course with Prof. May Mergenthaler

Summer 2014 Summer Camp Counselor for the City of Dublin

2014 Graduate Fellow at Ohio State University (University Fellow)

COURSES TAUGHT

Spring 2019 German 3300 (Apprentice)
Forests, Rivers and Mountains in German Culture
Environmental Humanities major course

2018 - Present Self-Paced German (Instructor)
Basic to intermediate language classes

2017 - Present German 2254 (Teaching Assistant)
Grimms' Fairy Tales and their Afterlives
Undergraduate GE course

Summer 2018 German 6101 (Instructor)
German for Reading Knowledge

2015 - 2018 German 1101-03 (Instructor)
Basic to intermediate language classes

Summer 2017 German 2798 (Co-Instructor)
Berlin, Then and Now
German Cultural Studies, Education Abroad course

VOLUNTEER WORK

2018 - Present **Sierra Club**
Review of Clean Water Act 401 and 404 Permits
Review of Storm Water Variance Requests

EXPERIENCE ABROAD

2019 – 2020 Fulbright Research Fellow in Munich, Germany

Summer 2017 Taught Course in Berlin about Berlin culture, politics and history

Summer 2015 One month living abroad in Germany

Summer 2013 Attended the Goethe Institut in Dresden

Summer 2011 Two months living abroad in Germany and Austria

LANGUAGES

English native fluency

German near-native fluency

Spanish intermediate working knowledge

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association for the Study of Literature and Environment

German Studies Association

International Society for the Study of Narrative

German Graduate Student Association (OSU)

Sierra Club