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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 05/2014 **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)**, Sociology
State University of New York – Albany (SUNY-Albany)
- 09/2006 **MA (“Magister rer. soc. oec.”)**, Sociology
University of Graz
- 01/2006 **BA (“Bakkalaureat rer. soc. oec.”)**, Sociology
University of Graz

Academic Career

- 07/2015 – **University of Frankfurt**
Senior Researcher and Lecturer (“Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter“),
Department of Sociology, Chair for the sociology of work (Prof.
Heather Hofmeister, Ph.D.)

These positions represent the conventional step after the PhD in Germany and involve
similar responsibilities as Assistant Professors in the US with two main limitations: a
fixed term of six-years and working under a supervisor. Traditionally, holders are
expected to write their “Habilitation” (second dissertation) during their term.
- 10/2011 – 06/2015 **University of Graz**
Post-Doctoral Researcher, Department of Sociology (04/2014 –
06/2015)

Lecturer, Department of Sociology (10/2011 – 06/2015)
- 2015- **Yale University, Center for Cultural Sociology**
Faculty Fellow
- 10/2011 – 07/2012 **LMU, University of Munich**
Guest Researcher, Department of Communication Studies and Media
Research

- 08/2009 – 06/2011 **State University of New York – Albany**
Graduate Assistant, Department of Sociology
- 07/2009 – 09/2009 **Austrian Academy of Science**
Contract Researcher, Institute for Comparative Media and
Communication Studies
- 11/2007-07/2008 **University of Graz**
Research Assistant and Lecturer, Department of Sociology
- 08/2007 – 01/2008 **University of Innsbruck**
Research Assistant, Department of Sociology

Publications

(*peer reviewed, **SSCI ranked)

Books

- *Revers, Matthias. Forthcoming. *Contemporary Journalism in the US and Germany: Agents of Accountability*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan
- Aberer, Matthias, Philipp Korom, Eva Postl, Daniela Reischl, Matthias Revers and Barbara Schantl. 2006. *Wo bleibt heute die Zeitung? Arbeits- und Lebensbedingungen von ZeitungsausträgerInnen*. Innsbruck: Studienverlag.

Journal articles

- **Revers, Matthias. 2016. "The Role of Events in ICT Adoption: Same-Sex Marriage and Twitter." *Information, Communication & Society*. doi: 10.1080/1369118X.2016.1240825
- *Brienza, Casey, and Revers, Matthias. 2016. "The Field of American Media Sociology: Origins, Resurrection, and Consolidation." *Sociology Compass*, 10(7), 539–552.
doi: 10.1111/soc4.12384
- **Revers, Matthias. 2015. "The Augmented Newsbeat: Spatiality in a Twitterized News Ecosystem." *Media, Culture & Society* 37(1), 3-18. doi: 10.1177/0163443714549085
- **Revers, Matthias. 2014. "The Twitterization of News Making: Transparency and Journalistic Professionalism." *Journal of Communication* 64(5), 806-826. doi: 10.1111/jcom.12111
- **Revers, Matthias. 2014. "Journalistic professionalism as performance and boundary work: Source relations at the state house." *Journalism* 15(1), 37-52. doi: 10.1177/1464884913480459
- Gerber, Alison and Matthias Revers. 2012. "The Library of Affecting Social Science." *Contexts*, 11(1), 76-77. doi:10.1177/1536504212436507
- *Revers, Matthias. 2009. "Sociologists in the Press." *The American Sociologist* 40(4), 272-288.
doi: 10.1007/s12108-009-9079-9

Book chapters

- *Belair-Gagnon, Valerie and Revers, Matthias. Forthcoming. "Sociology of Journalism." In Vos, Tim P. (ed.) *Journalism*. Berlin, Boston: Walter de Gruyter.

Revers, Matthias. 2016. "Digital Media and the Diversification of Professionalism: A US-German Comparison of Journalism Cultures." In Alexander, Jeffrey C., Elizabeth Breese, María Luengo (eds.) *The Crisis of Journalism Reconsidered: Democratic Culture, Professional Codes, Digital Future*. Cambridge University Press, 228-246.

Revers, Matthias. 2015. "Cultural Sociology, history of." In: Wright, James D. (ed). *International Encyclopedia of Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2nd Edition*, Vol 5. Oxford: Elsevier, 498–503. doi: 10.1016/B978-0-08-097086-8.03059-2

Book reviews

Revers, Matthias. 2016. "Book review: Silvio Waisbord (ed) *Media sociology: A reappraisal*." *Journalism* 17(5), 671-673. doi:10.1177/1464884915570537

Revers, Matthias. 2009. "Book review: Telling About Society by Howard S. Becker." *Acta Sociologica* 52(2), 188-189.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Revers, Matthias, and Brienza, Casey. "How not to Establish a Specialty: Media sociology in the US." Journal article.

Other publications

Revers, Matthias. 2014. "Agents of Democratic Accountability? Professional Culture of Political Journalism in the US and Germany." Ph.D. Dissertation (411p.), University at Albany, State University of New York.

Revers, Matthias. 2011. "Media Systems and Media Cultures: News Coverage of Deportation in the US and Austria." Research Report (67p.), Spectro GmbH, Vienna, Austria, downloadable at: <http://spectro.st/content/download/448/2225>

Revers, Matthias. 2009. "Doktor/in der Soziologie in Österreich." *Newsletter der Österreichischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie* 39 (3), 2-7.

Baumgartner, Roswitha, Christian Dayé, Christian Fleck and Matthias Revers. 2008. "1000 MigrantInnen auf dem Weg in die Wissensgesellschaft." In Brandner, Andreas (ed) *Agenda Wissen. 22 wissens-politische Positionen für einen verantwortungsvollen Umgang mit Wissen in der Gesellschaft*, Vienna: Knowledge Management Austria, 59-94.

Revers, Matthias. 2007. "ZeitungsasträgerInnen – Unsichtbarer Bodensatz des Zeitungswesens." In Wall-Strasser, Sepp, Erwin Kaiser, Johanna Wimplinger, Gerlinde Breiner (eds.) *Gewerkschaften und Atypische Beschäftigung*. Wien: ÖGB-Verlag, 73-82.

Revers, Matthias. 2007. "Soziologie in der Öffentlichkeit – Tatsachen und Fehleinschätzungen." *Newsletter der Österreichischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie* 31, 2-8.

Awards and Honors

03/2016 – 03/2017 Internal support for young academics, University of Frankfurt, \$11,000 (with Anne Kronberg)

05/2014 Distinguished Dissertation Award, College of Arts and Sciences, SUNY-Albany

2012	Top 2 Student Paper Award, Journalism Studies Section, International Communication Association
08/2008 – 07/2009	Fulbright Scholarship, Austrian-American Educational Commission, <u>\$15,500</u>
01/2006 – 08/2006	Research scholarship (master thesis), Department of Sociology, University of Graz

Research Projects

03/2016 –	“ScienceBurn: An Empirical Study of Life Scientists’ Career Pathways” (with Heather Hofmeister and Anne Kronberg), University of Frankfurt
10/2011 – 07/2012	“Political Reporting in the 21st Century: An in-depth analysis of press corps in the US and Germany,” DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Grant, <u>\$12,100</u>
07/2010 – 10/2010	“Media Systems and Media Cultures: News Coverage of Deportation in the US and Austria,” Spectro GmbH, Vienna, <u>\$19,800</u>

Conference Activity

Panels Organized

“Theorizing Online/Offline Identity, Performance and Expertise.” World Congress of the International Sociological Association, Yokohama, Japan, July 13-19, 2014.

“Symbolische Kommunikation im Öffentlichen Diskurs.” Neuer Strukturwandel der Öffentlichkeit, Gemeinsamer Kongress für Soziologie der DGS, ÖGS, SGS, Innsbruck, Austria, October 1, 2011.

Invited Talks

“Flucht, Öffentliches Raisonement und Engagement: Der Fall Zogaj und danach.” Symposion: (Mediale) Repräsentation von Migration / Flucht / Asyl, University of Graz, April 29, 2016.

“The Twitterization of News Making: Transparency and Journalistic Professionalism.” Workshop in Cultural Sociology, Center for Cultural Sociology, Yale University, April 5, 2013.

Conference Paper Presentations

“The Role of Events in ICT Adoption: Same-Sex Marriage and Twitter.” Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle, August 20-23, 2016.

“How not to Establish a Specialty: Media sociology in the US.” (Co-authored with Casey Brienza) Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle, August 20-23, 2016.

“Participatory Journalism and Transformative Events: Covering the Same-Sex Marriage Debate on Twitter.”

- Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 21-25, 2015.

- Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, August 22-25, 2015.
- “Digital Media and the Diversification of Professionalism: A US-German Comparison of Journalism Cultures.” Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 21-25, 2015.
- “Journalistic professionalism and social media: A US-German comparison.” 20th Anniversary Conference of the Institute for Comparative Media and Communication Studies, Austrian Academy of Science, Vienna, Austria, November 7, 2014.
- “The Augmented Newsbeat: Spatial and Temporal Dynamics in a Twitterized News Ecosystem.”
- The Objects of Journalism, International Communications Association Pre-Conference (sponsored by the Journalism Studies division and Communication History division), London, June 17, 2013.
 - Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Seattle, WA, May 22-26, 2014.
- “The Twitterization of News Making: Transparency and Journalistic Professionalism.”
- Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Seattle, WA, May 22-26, 2014.
 - Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 10-13, 2013.
- “Political Embeddedness: Boundary Processes in US and German News Reporting.” Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, August 16-19, 2014.
- “Journalistic Autonomy as Cultural Practice: Boundary Work and Performance in Political News Production.”
- Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 10-13, 2013
 - Annual conference of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Publizistik und Kommunikationswissenschaften, Mainz, Germany, May 9-10, 2013
 - Communication and Community, Annual Meeting of the International Communication Association, Phoenix, AZ, May 24-28, 2012.
 - Media Sociology Forum III, Columbia University, School of Journalism, New York, March 2, 2012.
- “Socio-techno-discursive Formations and Mediated Deliberation: What Twitter does to Political Journalism.” Cultures and Civilizations in the Contemporary World, Midterm Meeting, Research Committee Sociological Theory (RC16), International Sociological Association, Trento, Italy, June 28-29, 2012.
- “Polanski und das Verhältnis transnationaler und nationaler Öffentlichkeiten.” (Co-authored with Brian McKernan, Sebastian Moser, and Ian Sheinheit) Neuer Strukturwandel der Öffentlichkeit, Gemeinsamer Kongress für Soziologie der DGS, ÖGS, SGS, Innsbruck, Austria, October 1, 2011.

“In the Lions’ Den: Boundary Processes in Political Reporting.” Spring Conference of the Center for Cultural Sociology, Yale University, April 29, 2011.

“Morally Polluted or Purified Auteur: A comparative analysis of international media coverage regarding the Roman Polanski extradition case.” (Co-authored with Brian McKernan, Sebastian Moser, and Ian Sheinheit) Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference, February 25, 2011

“Deportation and Cultural Conflict: Comparing Media Dramas about Civic Belonging.” Konstanzer Meisterklasse “Clash of Cultures?” Universität Konstanz, Germany, July 19–27, 2010.

“Media Systems and Media Cultures: News Coverage of Deportation in the US and Austria.” World Congress of Sociology, International Sociological Association, Gothenburg, Sweden, July 11-17.

“Embedded in Political Communication. What the Concept of Embeddedness in Economic Relations Explains About News.” Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, August 7-10, 2009.

“Mediensysteme im transatlantischen Vergleich: Ein kultursoziologischer Ansatz.” Kolloquium des Nachwuchsnetzwerks Politische Kommunikation, University of Mannheim, Germany, June 19, 2009.

“Towards a Cultural Understanding of Media Systems.” Spring Conference of the Center for Cultural Sociology, Yale University, May 8, 2009.

“Public Sociologists in News Media: Enhancing the Image of the Discipline?” Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, March 2-5, 2009.

“Sociologists in the Press.” Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston, July 31-August 3, 2008.

Teaching Experience

(in total 38 semester hours, 34 of which in English, 6 final theses advised since fall term 2015)

Goethe-University Frankfurt

Institutional Theory (MA), fall 2016

Sociology of Occupations and Professions: Teaching Professions, fall 2016 (German)

Comparing Work Cultures (MA), spring 2016

Digitization of Work/Lives (BA), spring 2016

Kolloquium (BA/MA), together with Anne Kronberg, spring 2016

Sociology of Occupations and Professions: Media Work (BA), fall 2015

Perspectives on the Sociology of Work (MA), together with Heather Hofmeister, fall 2015

University of Graz, Austria

Advanced Qualitative Methods (MA), spring 2014

Argumentation and Academic Writing (BA), fall 2012

Contemporary Social Theories of Power and Domination (MA), spring 2013, 2014

Introduction to Sociology (BA), fall 2014, summer 2015

Methods of Empirical Social Research (BA), spring 2013

Economic Sociology (MA), fall 2012
Media Sociology (BA/MA), spring 2012
Cultural Sociology (BA/MA), fall 2011
Empirische Sozialforschung (BA), spring 2008 (German)

University at Albany, State University of New York
Sociological Theory (BA), summer 2011

Professional Service

Reviewing

American Journal of Cultural Sociology; Asian Journal of Communication; Digital Journalism; European Journal of Social Theory; International Communication Association; International Journal of Press/Politics; Journalism Practice; Law & Society Review; Mass Communication and Society; Poetics: Journal of Empirical Research on Culture, the Media and the Arts.

Conference and panel organization

08/2015 Organization of the „ASA Media Sociology Pre-Conference,” Northwestern University, Kellogg School of Management, Chicago, August 20, 2015 (with Casey Brienza)

08/2014 Organization of the „ASA Media Sociology Pre-Conference,” Mills College, Oakland, August 15, 2014

08/2013 Organization of the „ASA Media Sociology Pre-Conference,” New York University, Institute of Public Knowledge, New York, August 9, 2013

09/2007 Co-organization of the Congress of the Austrian Sociological Society, Graz, September 25-27, 2007

Committee work

03/2016 – Appointment committee, Professorship for Sociology with a focus on social inequality, University of Frankfurt

2009 – 2010 Board member, Students Organization of Sociology, Department of Sociology, SUNY-Albany

2005 – 2009 Board member, Austrian Sociological Society

Training

09/2016 Workshop „Topic Modeling in den Sozialwissenschaften“, Gesis Leibniz-Institut für Sozialwissenschaften, Cologne, September 19-20, 2016

07/2016 Methods Seminar „Text Mining mit R“, Gesis Leibniz-Institut für Sozialwissenschaften, Cologne, July 11-15, 2016

Non-Academic Work

2006-2007: Freelance journalist, *Der Falter*, *Salzburger Nachrichten*, Austria

Languages

German (native)

English (fluent in reading speaking, writing)

Membership

American Sociological Association (ASA), Sections: Communication, Information Technologies & Media Sociology; Sociology of Culture; Theory

German Sociological Society (DGS), Section Medien- und Kommunikationssoziologie

International Communication Association (ICA), Sections: Journalism Studies, Political Communication