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Curriculum Vitae

- Jan – Mar 2019 Research Visit at Oxford University, Faculty of Philosophy, with Jeff McMahan
- Since May 2017 Ph.D. Research in Philosophy & Postdoctoral Studies in Law and at the Department of Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany
Main Topic: Philosophy of War, Peace, and Terrorism
- Nov 2015 Visiting Lecturer at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland
Lecture on animal rights and two seminars on animal rights respectively sexual commodification
- Apr 2012 – Apr 2017 Ph.D. Studies at the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany in the Field of Philosophy of Law/Law
Subject: Human Dignity in the Anglo-American Philosophy of Law
Main research interests: Philosophy of law and political philosophy, human and animal rights
- Since Apr 2012 Teaching and Research Associate at the Department of Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany
Ph.D. and Postdoctoral research; academic teaching in philosophy and law; foundation of the extra-curricular colloquium on “Philosophy of Law and Contemporary Issues”
- Apr – Jun 2011 Temporary Administrator at the German Bundestag (Federal Parliament) at the Committee of Inquiry on Growth, Wealth, Quality of Life“, Berlin, Germany
Assistance to the working group on the measurement of social well-being, analytical record of the plenary sessions, and legal expertise
- Oct 2006 – Mar 2011 Studies of Law (First State Examination/Diploma), Humboldt-Universität Berlin, Germany
Course specialization: History and Philosophy of Law



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Scholarships and Awards

- 2017 Young Scholar Prize of the International Association of the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy (IVR)
Ph.D. in law with highest honors (*summa cum laude*)
- Since January 2016 Laureate of the European Personnel Selection Office of the European Union
- November 2015 Erasmus scholarship as a Visiting Lecturer at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland
- April 2013 – March 2016 Ph.D. scholarship of the Heinrich Böll Foundation

List of Publications

- 2020 “Ethics in Law”, in: Sellers/Kirste (ed.), Encyclopedia of the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Springer 2019 (in preparation)
“Normative Individualism”, in: Sellers/Kirste (ed.), Encyclopedia of the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Springer 2019 (forthcoming)
- 2019 Menschenwürde als unverfügbare Eigenschaft (Human Dignity as an Inalienable Property), co-edited with Dietmar von der Pfordten (in preparation)
Unverfügbarkeit als Schlüssel – Grenzen und Begrenztheiten der Denkschulen zur Menschenwürde (Inalienability as the Key – Limits and Limitations in Doctrinal School Thought on Human Dignity), in: von der Pfordten/Gisbertz, Menschenwürde als unverfügbare Eigenschaft, 2019 (in preparation)
Sicherheit im Recht – Sicherheit durch das Recht (Certainty in Law – Security through Law), co-editor, Steiner-Verlag (in preparation)
Auch im Krieg ist nicht alles erlaubt (Not Everything is Fair is War”), Invited Review of Recent Literature on Just War Theory, in: Archiv für Rechts- und Sozialphilosophie (ARSP) (forthcoming)
- 2018 Menschenwürde in der angloamerikanischen Rechtsphilosophie (Human Dignity in the Anglo-American Philosophy of Law),



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Nomos 2018

Overcoming Doctrinal School Thought. A Unifying Approach to Human Dignity, in: *Ratio Juris*, Issue 2/2018, 196 ff.

The Concepts of «War» and «Peace» in the Context of Transnational Terrorism, in: *Archiv für Rechts- und Sozialphilosophie (ARSP)*, Issue 1/2018, pp. 3-15

Awarded with the Young Scholar Prize of the International Association of the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy (IVR)

2013

Stabilität durch gerechte Institutionen. Eine rawlsianische Antwort auf das Böckenförde-Diktum (Stability via Just Institutions. A Rawlsian Answer to the Böckenförde Dictum), in: Abraham/Zimmermann/Zucca-Soest, *Vorbedingungen des Rechts*, *Archiv für Rechtsphilosophie – Beihefte* 150, 207 ff.

Report of the Conference “Evolution – Entwicklung – Epigenesis des Rechts“ of the German Section of the International Association on the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy (IVR), *Archiv für Rechts- und Sozialphilosophie* 2013, 253 ff.

2011

Würde des Menschen – Würde des Tiers? Zum Verhältnis von Mensch und Tier aus der Perspektive der Rechtsphilosophie (“Human Dignity – Animal Dignity? Philosophical Remarks on the Relationship between Human and Animal Beings“), *Humboldt Forum Recht* 2011, 148 ff.

Talks

2019

Human Dignity as a Moral Concept, Moral Philosophy Seminar, Oxford University, UK

2018

Unantastbarkeit und Unabwägbarkeit der menschlichen Würde im angelsächsischen Denken (Inviolability and Inalienability of Human Dignity in Anglo-Saxon Thinking), Conference „Menschenwürde als unverfügbare Eigenschaft“, Zentrum für interdisziplinäre Forschung, Bielefeld, Germany

Co-Organisation of the Conference „Sicherheit um jeden Preis – Bedingung und Herausforderung für Freiheit, Rechtsstaatlichkeit und Demokratie“ (Security by All Means – Condition and Challenge for Liberty, Rule of Law, and Democracy), Meeting of the German Association of Young



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Scholars in Philosophy of Law, Göttingen

Just War Theory between Morality and Law, 4th Annual Conference of the Centre for the Study of Global Ethics, Birmingham, UK

2017 The Concepts of «War» and «Peace» in the Context of Transnational Terrorism, IVR Young Scholar Prize Lecture, World Congress on the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Lisbon, Portugal

Die Skepsis der angloamerikanischen Rechtsphilosophie gegenüber dem Begriff der Menschenwürde – eine historische Ursachenanalyse (The Skepticism of the Anglo-American Philosophy of Law about Human Dignity – a Historical Analysis of Causes), World Congress on the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Lisbon, Portugal

2016 Overcoming Doctrinal School Thought – A Unifying Approach for a New Understanding of Human Dignity, Conference „The Future of Human Dignity”, Universiteit Utrecht, Netherlands

2015 Talking about Animal Rights. Moral Claims of Non-Human Animals and their Legal Preconditions, Strathclyde Centre for Environmental Law and Governance, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland

Stabilität durch gerechte Institutionen. Eine rawlsianische Antwort auf das Böckenförde-Diktum (Stability via Just Institutions. A Rawlsian Answer to the Böckenförde Dictum), Annual Meeting of the German Association of Young Scholars in Philosophy of Law, Helmut-Schmidt-Universität, Hamburg, Germany

2014 Menschenwürde, Fairness und politischer Liberalismus – Zur Menschenwürde im Werk von John Rawls (Human Dignity, Fairness, and Political Liberalism – On Human Dignity in John Rawls), XXIII. Conference of the German Society for Philosophy, Section Philosophy of Law, Münster, Germany

Taught Seminars und Courses

Summer term 2019 Undergraduate seminar “Ethics of War”

Exercise course German Constitutional Law (Basic Rights)



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Winter term 2018/19	Seminar “Grotius’ On the Law of War and Peace” Exercise course Constitutional Law (State Organization)
Summer term 2018	Seminar “John Rawls’ A Theory of Justice” Exercise course Constitutional Law (Basic Rights)
Winter term 2017/18	Seminar “Just and Unjust Wars in our Time – Michael Walzer and his Critics”
Summer term 2017	Exercise course Constitutional Law (Basic Rights)
Winter term 2016/17	Exercise course Philosophy of Law
Summer term 2016	Exercise course Constitutional Law (Basic Rights)
Winter term 2015/16	Seminar “Selling Sexual Services”, with Prof. Jane Scoular in the Honors Class „Law, Person and Property" of Dr. Mary Neal, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland Seminar „Animal persons. The status of the animal – between person and property?“ in the Honors Class „Law, Person and Property" of Dr. Mary Neal, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland Exercise course Philosophy of Law
Summer term 2015	Seminar “The Status of Animals in Ethics and Law”
Winter term 2014/15	Exercise course German Constitutional Law (State Organization)
Winter term 2013/14	Exercise course Philosophy of Law
Summer term 2013	Exercise course German Constitutional Law (Basic Rights)
Winter term 2012/13	Exercise course Philosophy of Law
Summer term 2012	Exercise course German Constitutional Law (State Organization)
Taught Sessions of the Extra-Curricular Colloquium “Philosophy of Law and Contemporary Issues”	
2018	Populism and the Crisis of Democracy



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- 2017 Whistleblowing and Civil Disobedience

 Constitutional Judicial Review and Democracy
- 2016 Migration and Ethics. The Refugee Crisis and the Philosophy
 of Law

 Commercial Surrogacy as a Problem of Legal Ethics

 Is there a Right to Secede?

 Cultural Identity in Law?
- 2015 The Relationship between State and Religion

Languages

German (Mother tongue)

English (fluent)

French (good)

Latin (good)

Italian (good)

Ancient Greek (working knowledge)