

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- 2010 *Ph.D. – Sociology*, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii
2006 *Ph.D. – Japanese Studies (magna cum laude)*, University of Trier, Germany
1999 *M.A. – Sociology*, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii
1996 *Magister – Japanese Studies*, University of Munich, Germany
1992 *Abschluss Grundstudium – Japanese Studies*, University of Hamburg, Germany

EMPLOYMENT

- Since 2018/4 Deputy Director
German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo (DIJ)
2013-2018 Assistant professor (Austria: "Universitätsassistentin")
Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University, Austria
2013 Head of Social Science Section
German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo (DIJ)
2011-2013 Deputy Director
German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo (DIJ)
2010 – 2011 Head of Social Science Section
German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo (DIJ)
2007-2013 Senior Research Fellow
German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo (DIJ)
2005-2006 Graduate Assistant for Dr. Judith Inazu, Principal Evaluator, Office for Evaluation and Needs Assessment Services, Social Science Research Institute, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii. *Evaluation of the Native Hawaiian Science and Engineering Mentoring Program*, funded by the Department of Education.
2004-2005 Research Assistant for Dr. Patricia Steinhoff, Principal Investigator, Large-scale online survey and publication of *Directory of Japanese Studies in the United States and Canada*, funded by the Japan Foundation
1998-2004 Teaching Assistant at the Department of Sociology, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii
1997-1998 Graduate Assistant, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii
1989-1991 Flight attendant, Lufthansa German Airlines

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2015 Holthus, Barbara, Matthias Huber, Hiromi Tanaka. *Parental Well-being in Japan*. München: Iudicium (DIJ Miscellanea Nr. 19).
2010 Holthus, Barbara. *A half step behind. Marriage discourses in Japanese women's magazines*. Unpublished dissertation: University of Hawaii at Manoa. See also: Proquest Dissertations and Theses, online #AAT 3448644
2009 Holthus, Barbara. *Paarbeziehungen in japanischen Frauenzeitschriften seit 1970: Medien und Geschlecht in Japan* [Partner relationships in Japanese women's magazines since 1970: Media and gender in Japan]. Lexington, NJ: The Edwin Mellen Press. See also: <http://www.mellenpress.com/mellenpress.cfm?bookid=7816&pc=9>

Editorship

- 2020 Holthus, Barbara, Isaac Gagne, Wolfram Manzenreiter, Franz Waldenberger (eds). *Japan through the lens of the Tokyo Olympics*. London: Routledge. <https://www.routledge.com/Japan-Through-the-Lens-of-the-Tokyo-Olympics-Open-Access/Holthus-Gagne-Manzenreiter-Waldenberger/p/book/9780367471682>
- 2018 Holthus, Barbara, Hans Bertram (eds). *Parental well-being. Satisfaction with work, family life, and family policy in Germany and Japan*. München: Iudicium.
- 2017 Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter (eds). *Life Course, Happiness and Well-being in Japan*. London: Routledge. (Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies Series)
- 2017 Manzenreiter, Wolfram, Barbara Holthus (eds). *Happiness and the Good Life in Japan*. London: Routledge. (Japan Anthropological Workshop Series)
- 2010 Holthus, Barbara, Kristina Iwata-Weickgenannt (eds). *Contemporary Japan 22. Mind the Gap: Stratification and Social Inequality in Japan*. New York/Berlin: De Gruyter, 2010.
http://www.contemporary-japan.org/back_issues/contemporary_japan22_mind_the_gap .

Articles

- 2020 (forthcoming) Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter. "A board-game approach to studying the multidimensionality of life satisfaction". Cieslik, Mark, Laura Hyman (eds). *Researching happiness: Qualitative, biographical and critical perspectives*. Heidelberg and New York: Springer.
- 2020 (forthcoming) Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter. "'Bullseye View on Happiness': Qualitative interview survey method" with Wolfram Manzenreiter in: Kottmann, Nora and Cornelia Reiher (eds). *Studying Japan: Research designs, fieldwork and methods*. Baden-Baden: Nomos.
- 2019 Holthus, Barbara. "Introduction to special section: Emotions and affect in studies on contemporary Japan". *Contemporary Japan*, 31,2: 118-121.
- 2019 Holthus, Barbara. "Infrastructural family policy in Japan: Parental evaluation". In: Meier-Gräwe, Uta, Miyoko Motozawa, Annette Schad-Seifert (eds). *Family life in Japan and Germany. Challenges for a gender sensitive family policy*. Heidelberg and New York: Springer: 133-156.
- 2018 Hans Bertram, Barbara Holthus. "Parents in transitional Germany and Japan". In: Holthus, Barbara, Hans Bertram (eds). *Parental well-being. Satisfaction with work, family life, and family policy in Germany and Japan*. München: Iudicium: 9-15.
- 2018 Peter Fankhauser, Barbara Holthus, Stefan Hundsdorfer. "Partnership satisfaction in Germany and Japan: The role of family work distribution and gender ideology". In: Holthus, Barbara, Hans Bertram (eds). *Parental well-being. Satisfaction with work, family life, and family policy in Germany and Japan*. München: Iudicium: 164-196.
- 2018 Holthus, Barbara. "Parental satisfaction with family policies in Japan: An overview". In: Holthus, Barbara, Hans Bertram (eds). *Parental well-being. Satisfaction with work, family life, and family policy in Germany and Japan*. München: Iudicium: 264-292.

- 2018 Waldenberger, Franz, Barbara Holthus. "30 Jahre gesellschafts- und geisteswissenschaftliche Forschung zu Japan. Das Deutsche Institut für Japanstudien, 1988-2018. In: Max Weber Stiftung. *Weltweit vor Ort*, 02/18: 25-28.
- 2018 Holthus, Barbara, Ralph Lützel. "Parental well-being in Japan: Regional differences". In: Ralph Lützel (ed.): *Rural areas between decline and resurgence: Lessons from Japan and Austria*. Vienna: Department of East Asian Studies/Japanese Studies, University of Vienna, 46: 93-97.
- 2018 "Glück und Wohlbefinden in Japan. Der Fall junger Eltern". In: *beziehungsweise*. Informationsdienst des österreichischen Instituts für Familienforschung. Jänner/Februar: 1-4.
- 2017 Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter. "Making sense of happiness in 'unhappy Japan'". In: Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter (eds). *Life Course, Happiness and Well-being in Japan*. London: Routledge. (Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies Series)
- 2017 Manzenreiter, Wolfram, Barbara Holthus. "Reconsidering the four dimensions of happiness over the life course in Japan". In: Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter (eds). *Life Course, Happiness and Well-being in Japan*. London: Routledge. (Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies Series)
- 2017 Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter. "Happiness as balancing act between agency and social structure". In: Manzenreiter, Wolfram, Barbara Holthus (eds). *Happiness and the Good Life in Japan*. Routledge. (Japan Anthropology Workshop series)
- 2017 Manzenreiter, Wolfram, Barbara Holthus. "Happiness in Japan through the anthropological lens". In: Manzenreiter, Wolfram, Barbara Holthus (eds). *Happiness and the Good Life in Japan*. Routledge. (Japan Anthropology Workshop series)
- 2015 Holdgrün, Phoebe, Barbara Holthus. "Mothers Against Radiation: Issues of Gender and Advocacy", In: Mullins, Mark and Koichi Nakano (eds.): *Disasters and Social Crisis in Contemporary Japan: Political, Religious, and Cultural Responses*. Palgrave Macmillan.
- 2015 Holthus, Barbara. "Eltern als Empfänger familienpolitischer Maßnahmen", Videoaufzeichnung: <http://mediathek.hhu.de/watch/78805a0c-d9e1-40ea-9e98-1457abb557d8>, Symposium Düsseldorf, Januar 2015. Presentationsscript: http://www.modernesjapan.hhu.de/fileadmin/redaktion/Fakultaeten/Philosophische_Fakultaet/Modernes_Japan/Professur_Modernes_Japan/Dateien/SympoFam.pdf
- 2014 Holthus, Barbara. „Eltern und Kinder in der japanischen Gesellschaft“. *Länderbericht Japan*. Bonn: Bundesanstalt für politische Bildung: 477-494.
- 2014 Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter. "Convenors Conference Reports, Section 5a: Anthropology, sociology". *JAWS Newsletter*, 50, Autumn/Winter: 23-29.
- 2014 Holthus, Barbara, Hiromi Tanaka. "Time, money, infrastructure: Young parents' needs and (dis)satisfaction with family policies in Japan". Trommsdorff, Gisela (ed). *Interdisciplinary aspects of well-being in changing societies*. Konstanz: German-Japanese Society for Social Sciences, 137-164.
- 2013 Holthus, Barbara. „Kindliches Wohlbefinden in Japan. Elterliche Sorgen und Ängste seit der Dreifachkatastrophe vom 11. März 2011“. [Child well-being in Japan. Parental

- worries and fears since the March 11, 2011 triple disaster]. In: Bertram, Hans (ed). *Reiche, kluge, glückliche Kinder? Der UNICEF-Bericht zur Lage der Kinder in Deutschland*. Weinheim: Beltz Juventa Verlag: 257-276.
- 2013 Holthus, Barbara, Hiromi Tanaka. "Parental well-being and the sexual division of household labour: A new look at gendered families in Japan". *Asiatische Studien*, AS/EA LXVII/2:401-428.
- 2011 Holthus, Barbara. "Child care and work-life balance in low-fertility Japan". In: Coulmas, Florian, Ralph Lützel (eds). *Imploding Populations in Japan and Germany*. Leiden: Brill. See also: <http://www.brill.nl/imploding-populations-japan-and-germany>
- 2010 Holthus, Barbara, Kristina Iwata-Weickgenannt. „Preface“. In: Holthus, Barbara, Kristina Iwata-Weickgenannt (eds). *Contemporary Japan 22. Mind the Gap: Stratification and Social Inequality in Japan*. New York/Berlin: De Gruyter. pp. 3-6.
- 2010 Holthus, Barbara. "Parental Evaluation of Institutionalized Childcare: Survey Results from Japan". *Child Research Net*.
http://www.childresearch.net/PROJECT/ECEC/europe/germany/report10_01.html
- 2010 Holthus, Barbara. "Doitsu ni okeru josei no koyō to hoiku seido" (in Japanese) [Female employment and institutionalized childcare in Germany]. *Child Research Net*.
<http://www2.crn.or.jp/blog/lab/00/germany1.html>
- 2009 Holthus, Barbara [translation by Child Research Net] 德国的女性雇佣与保育制度化 (in Chinese) [Female Employment and Institutionalized Childcare in Germany] *Child Research Net*,
http://www.crn.net.cn/ecec/report/germany_01.html
- 2009 Holthus, Barbara. "Female employment and institutionalized childcare in Germany". *Child Research Net*, http://www.childresearch.net/PROJECT/ECEC/europe/germany/report09_01.html
- 2000 Holthus, Barbara. "Sexuality, Body Images and Social Change in Japanese Women's Magazines". In: Wöhr, Ulrike, Barbara Hamill Sato (eds). *Gender and Modernity. Rereading Japanese Women's Magazines*. Kyoto: Nichibun: 137-161.
- 2000 Holthus, Barbara. „Traum“- oder „Alptraum“-Männer? Männerbilder der Frauenzeitschrift *An an* in den späten 90er Jahren.“ [“Dream” or “nightmare” men? Portrayals of men in the Japanese women's magazine *An an* in the late 1990s.] In: Gössmann, Hilaria, Andreas Mrugalla (eds). *11. Deutschsprachiger Japanologentag in Trier 1999*. Hamburg: Lit-Verlag, 2000: 383-398.
- 1998 Holthus, Barbara. "Ishikawa Takeyoshi und Hanamori Yasuji – zwei männliche Frauenstimmen". [Ishikawa Takeyoshi and Hanamori Yasuji – two male female/feminine voices] In Richter, Steffi (ed). *Japan Lesebuch III*. Tübingen: Konkursbuchverlag: 172-183.
- Reviews**
- 2018 Holthus, Barbara. "Fukushima and the Arts". By Geilhorn, Barbara, Kristina Iwata-Weickgenannt. London and New York: Routledge 2016. In: *Journal of Japanese Studies*, 44,2 (summer): 461-465.

- 2014 Holthus, Barbara. "Education Reform and Social Class in Japan: The emerging incentive divide". By Takehiko Kariya. London and New York: Routledge, 2014. In: *Pacific Affairs*, vol 87, no.3. online since Dec 2013: <http://www.pacificaffairs.ubc.ca/book-reviews/book-reviews-2/recent-book-reviews/book-reviews-vol-87-no-3/#educationholthus>
- 2010 Holthus, Barbara. "The Modern Family in Japan: Its Rise and Fall". By Chizuko Ueno. Melbourne: Trans Pacific Press, 2009. In: *Pacific Affairs*, 83, 3, Fall: 606-608.
- 2007 Holthus, Barbara. "Turning Pages: Reading and Writing Women's Magazines in Interwar Japan". By Sarah Frederick. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 2006. In: *Pacific Affairs*, 79, 4, p. 690-691.

Working papers

- 2019 Holthus, Barbara, Wolfram Manzenreiter. *Bullseye view: Developing a sociological method for studying happiness*. Tokyo: Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien / Max-Weber Stiftung. DIJ Working Paper Series 19/3.
- 2019 Holthus, Barbara. *Infrastructural family policy in Japan: Parental evaluation*. Tokyo: Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien / Max-Weber Stiftung. DIJ Working Paper Series 19/2.
- 2014 Holthus, Barbara, Phoebe Holdgruen. *Gender and political participation in post-3/11 Japan*. Tokyo: Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien / Max-Weber Stiftung. DIJ Working Paper Series 14/3.
- 2010 Holthus, Barbara, Axel Klein. *Fertility and the Economic Crisis. Discussing a Theoretical Attempt to Predict Demographic Development in Japan*. Tokyo: Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien / Stiftung D.G.I.A.. DIJ Working Paper Series 2010/1.
- 2008 Germer, Andrea, Barbara Holthus. *男女不平等とワーク・ライフ・バランス — ドイツにおける社会変化と少子化問題 (Gender Inequalities and Work-life Balance: Social Change and Low Fertility in Germany)*. Tokyo: Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien / Stiftung D.G.I.A.. DIJ Working Paper Series 2008/3.

Translations

- 1998 "Kommentar von Inoue Teruko" [Commentary by Inoue Teruko]. In: Gössmann, Hilaria (ed). *Das Bild der Familie in den japanischen Medien [The Family in the Japanese Media]*. München: Iudicium: 283-285.

Other Publications:

- 2019 (with Nora Kottmann). (No) sex in the city?, *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 60, December.
- 2013 Parental fears and concerns post 3/11, *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 48, October.
- 2013 Expert Talk, *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 47, April.
- 2013 Sweet and happy DIJ, *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 47, April.
- 2012 "Aktuelle Begriffe: Saigo", *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 46, October.
- 2012 "Parental well-being in Japan after March 11", *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 45, March.
- 2011 "How happy are parents of young children?", *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 44, November.
- 2010 "Happily ever after?" *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 40, July.
- 2009 "Marriage, love and sex" *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 39, March.
- 2009 "Child poverty in Japan: No end in sight". *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 38, October
- 2008 (with Axel Klein). "Fertility and social stratification". *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 35, December

- 2008 “2008 marks first year of “Work-Life Balance” era in Japan”. *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 34, July
- 2008 “Day care reforms”. *DIJ Newsletter*, No. 33, March
- 1998 “Konferenzbericht: 1998 Fifth Annual UCLA Graduate Student Symposium for Japanese Studies”. [Conference Report] In Akademischer Arbeitskreis Japan (Hg). *Minikomi. Informationen des Akademischen Arbeitskreis Japan*. Wien, 2/1998. https://journals.univie.ac.at/index.php/aa/article/view/048_019-020_CONF_HOLTHUS1998 .

TEACHING

- 2017/WS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Japanologisches Seminar I: Family policy and media in Japan (3rd year undergraduates)
Family policy: Social change, social movements, institutions, and Japan’s low fertility (Lecture and practical study. Open to BA and MA students)
- 2017/SS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Japanologisches Seminar I: Crime in Japan (3rd year undergraduate students)
Japanologisches Seminar II (BA thesis seminar)
- 2016/WS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Japanologisches Seminar I: Rural Japan in Anime (3rd year undergraduate students)
Marital (un)happiness: Discourses in Japanese women’s magazines (Lecture and practical study. Open to BA and MA students)
- 2016/SS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Regionale Unterschiede in Japan [Regional diversity of Japan] (graduate seminar)
Japanologisches Seminar II (BA thesis seminar)
- 2015/WS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Japanologisches Seminar I: Glück in Japan [Happiness in Japan] (3rd year undergraduate students)
Japanologisches Seminar II (BA thesis seminar)
- 2015/SS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Japanologisches Seminar II (BA thesis seminar)
Proseminar II: Kriminologie in Japan [Crime in Japan] (2nd year undergraduate students)
- 2014/WS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Japanologisches Seminar II (BA thesis seminar)
Proseminar I: Familien in Japan [Families in Japan] (2nd year undergraduate students)
- 2014/SS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Education in Japan (graduate seminar)
Einführung ins wissenschaftliche Arbeiten [Introduction to academic writing and scientific research] (1st year undergraduate students)
- 2013/WS Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University
Familien und sozialer Wandel in Japan [Families and social change in Japan] (graduate seminar)
- 2012/WS Japanese Studies Department, Asia-Africa Institute, Hamburg University,
Familien und sozialer Wandel in Japan [Families and social change in Japan] (graduate and undergraduate joint seminar)
- 2011/12 School of Human Sciences, Osaka University, Osaka, Japan
Media Sociology (undergraduate seminar)
- 2010/11 Literature Department, Chūō University, Tokyo, Japan
Intermediate German (undergraduate level)
- 2008/9 Human and Social Sciences Department, Ochanomizu University, Tokyo, Japan
English for Social Sciences (undergraduate level)
- 1999/2000 Japanese Studies Department, University of Trier, Germany

Japanische Frauenzeitschriften [Japanese women's magazines] (graduate seminar)

1998-2004 Department of Sociology, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii
Teaching Assistant
Soc 357: *Sociology of Japan* (five times)
Soc 100: *Introduction to Sociology* (three times)
Soc 300: *Principles of Sociological Inquiry* (twice)
Soc 358: *Sociology of Korea*
Soc 459: *Sociology of Popular Culture*
Soc 321: *Sociological Theory*
Soc 341: *Social Psychology*
Soc 231: *Introduction to Juvenile Delinquency*
Soc 335: *Survey of Drugs and Society*
Soc 336: *Deviance and Social Control*

SELECT PRESENTATIONS (since 2018). A full list can be provided upon request

2019_12 "Understanding Japan through the Tokyo Olympics". Guest lecture, Musashi University, Deakin outreach Japanese Studies program, Tokyo.
2019_11 „Einführung in die japanische Gesellschaft“. [Introduction to Japanese Society]. Visit by approx. 25 MA Studierende der Hamburg Media school, DIJ, Tokyo.
2019_7 "Media discourses for women on sexuality in Japan. A look to the past". Panel "(No) Sex in the City", ICAS Conference, Leiden.
2019_6 "Rural happiness" (with W. Manzenreiter). ESRS Conference. Trondheim.
2019_6 Media discourses for women on sexuality in Japan. A look to the past. Invited lecture: Global Project lecture series, Graduate school of sociology, Ritsumeikan University, simultaneously broadcasted at Chung Ang University, Korea.
2019_5 "Japan through the lens of the Tokyo Olympics. Introduction and volunteering Japan-style". Goethe Institute, Passagenwerk Conference, Asakusa.
2019_3 "A board-game approach to studying happiness in rural Japan", Invited lecture: UH Sociology, University of Hawaii, Honolulu.
2019_3 "Mobilizing, participating, sympathizing – Social movements in post-3.11 Japan" (with Naoto Higuchi (Tokushima Univ.) and Mitsuru Matsutani (Chukyo Univ)), Center for Japanese Studies and UH Sociology joint seminar series, University of Hawaii, Honolulu
2019_3 "Happiness in rural Japan", Japan Sociologist Network, AAS conference, Denver.
2019_3 "Mobility in(to) rural Japan and its impact on happiness and well-being". AAS Conference, Denver, March 21-24.
2019_1 "Gender, happiness, and social movements in post-3-11. Japan", Sophia University Conference on Social movements
2018_10 "The meaning of local communities for happiness and selfhood". What is the local, international symposium, DIJ Tokyo.
2018_5 "Rural happiness in Japan". Invited lecture: Global Project lecture series, Graduate school of sociology, Ritsumeikan University, simultaneously broadcasted at Chung Ang University, Korea.

AWARDS and RESEARCH FUNDING

2017 Awarded a competitive student assistantship for 1 year, starting October 2017 (10h/w) for book project "Childcare in Contemporary Japan", University of Vienna, Austria
2017 Project: Parental well-being in the rural periphery of Austria and Japan: Choices, challenges, and considerations, sum applied: €123,540.-- 1) Application for ÖNB, Österreichische Nationalbank, Jubiläumsfond Funding. status unsuccessful July 2017.
2016 DIJ Visiting Scholar Programme, summer 2016, Tokyo, Japan, 3 weeks. For project continuation and organization of international conference "Mothers and social movements in postwar Japan", with Phoebe Holdgruen.
2014-2017 DFG (German Research Foundation) funding for Parental Well-Being Survey Analysis. Euro 86.000. Principal investigator.

- 2014 **Project director, Japan Foundation funding for organization of International Symposium "The Social DNA of Happiness", Euro 10.000.**
- 2012 **Benesse Corporation's partial funding of nationwide Parental Well-Being Survey, Yen 3.036.000 (40% of total cost for Japan Parental Well-Being Survey; 60% funding by the German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo (DIJ).**
- 2008 Project director (with Axel Klein), Japan Foundation funding for organization of International Symposium "Fertility and Social Stratification – Germany and Japan in Comparison", Yen 1.900.000.
- 2006 Dai Ho Chun Graduate Division Fellowship, University of Hawaii, for presenting paper at the 2006 Popular Culture Associate Annual Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2004 Graduate student travel grant from the Center for Japanese Studies, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, for presenting paper at 2004 Popular Culture Association Annual Conference in San Antonio, Texas.
- 2003 Nomination for the "Frances Davis Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching" of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa.
- 2000 – 2002 **German Research Foundation Graduate College (DFG Graduiertenkolleg): Dissertation Fellowship at the Graduate College of the University of Trier, Germany, entitled „Identity and Difference: Gender Construction and Interculturality, 18th century to present as seen from a cultural studies perspective“, University of Trier, Germany.**
- 2002 College of Social Sciences Travel Fund for Professional Improvement, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, for presentation of paper at the American Sociological Association conference, August 2002.
- 1999 **Dissertation Fellowship by the German Institute for Japanese Studies, Tokyo, Japan.**
- 1997 – 2000 **East-West-Center Affiliate, University of Hawaii at Mānoa.**
- 1997 Travel grant from the Sociology Department, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, for research trip to Tokyo.
- 1994 - 1995 **One-year master thesis research scholarship by the Japanese-German Center in Berlin (JDZB): Research student at the University of Osaka.**

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES / ACTIVITIES

ONGOING

- 2014-2017: Vienna University: Member of the university-wide selection committee selecting BA, MA or PhD students for a scholarship from Vienna University for a study abroad year in Japan.
- 2014-2017: Vienna University. Head of the selection committee selecting MA students for the Masterprogram "East Asian Economy and Society" (ECOS).
- 2014-2017: Vienna University. Study exchange representative for Japan in the Department of East Asian Studies.
- Since 2014: Editorial board member of *Contemporary Japan*
- Referee for peer-reviewed journals:
Japanstudien
Socio-Economic Review
Voluntas
International Migration
ASIEN – The German Journal on Contemporary Asia
Intersections – Gender and Sexuality in Asia and the Pacific
Contemporary Japan
Applied Research in Quality of Life

PAST

- Project leader of DFG-funded research project "Parental well-being" (2014-2017)

- Organization and planning of week-long lectures series "Japanorama", Vienna University (March 2016).
- Organization and planning of International Conference: "Deciphering the Social DNA of Happiness: Lifecourse perspectives from Japan" (April 2014).
- EAJS Convenor for Anthropology/Sociology section, for 2013 conference in Kyoto, Japan, August 2013 and for 2014 conference in Ljubljana, Slovenia, August 2014.
- Head of Social Science Department, German Institute for Japanese Studies.
- Deputy director of the German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo.
- Gender equality officer of the German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo.
- Co-organizer of the "Social Science Study Group", German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo.
- Editor-in-Chief of *DIJ Newsletter*, several times between 2007-2013.
- Organization and planning (with Prof. Dr. Axel Klein) of International Symposium: "Fertility and Social Stratification – Germany and Japan in Comparison". Tokyo, November 6 and 7, 2008. Organization at German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo in cooperation with Sophia University. Funding by Japan Foundation.
- Elected president for the Graduate Student Sociological Association (GSSA), Department of Sociology, University of Hawaii at Mānoa.

TRAINING/continuing education/Weiterbildung

- Speed reading, 2 day course, Vienna University, October 2017.
- Berufungstraining, 2 day course, Vienna University, September 2017.
- Teaching competence: Die Betreuung von Abschlussarbeiten: Bachelor- und Master-Arbeiten, March 2017, 2 day course, Vienna University, March 2017.
- Habilitation: an academic ritual, by the Gender Equality and Diversity Unit, Vienna University, March 2017
- Atlas.ti Course, 2015, 2 day course, Vienna University
- SPSS für Fortgeschrittene (SPSS advanced), 3 day course, Vienna University, 2015

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

AAS (Association for Asian Studies)

ASA (American Sociological Association)

EAJS (European Association for Japanese Studies)

IN THE MEDIA

- Interview on Olympic research: NDR Podcast "Go to Tokio to go – Der ARD Olympia-Podcast" #6, 24.12.2019. <https://www.ndr.de/sport/olympia/podcast4528.html>
- Interview on Olympic research: ORF 1, ORF Sport Plus: „Olympia 2020: Abenteuer Tokyo“ (June and July 2019)
- Interview for BBC Future. "Lifting the lid on Japan's bento boxes" by Mariko Oi. <https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20191013-lifting-the-lid-on-japans-amazing-bento-boxes> , Oct. 15, 2019.
- Live TV Interview for BBC News, On mothering and Japan's low fertility problem, February 5, 2019.
- Internet Portrait of research activities, celebration of the "Year of Research", Austrian Ministry of Science, Research and Economics <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DjM8gx7BpOM>
- Aso WebTV Report on research activities of research of Vienna University Japanese Studies section on rural Japan, Research trip September 2016 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vfAu8uE7o8c>