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Curriculum Vitae

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I. Professional Background:

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Academic Specialties: German modernism and contemporary literature
Representations of metropolitan space, especially Berlin
Literary theory and cultural studies
Cultural hermeneutics
Postcolonial theory
Intermediality, media competition, media transfer
Music and literary aesthetics
Sound studies
Walter Benjamin, Durs Grünbein, Friedrich Hölderlin, Franz
Kafka, Thomas Mann, Rainer Maria Rilke

Education and Degrees:

1979-82: University of Maryland, College Park. Ph. D. in German Language and Literature. Dissertation: "Kafkas Mythenrezeption: Kritik und Revision." Advisor: Peter Beicken.

1973-79: Christian-Albrechts-Universität, Kiel, Germany. *Erstes Staatsexamen* in German and English. Thesis: “Untersuchungen zur Raumdarstellung in Kafkas Amerikaroman.” Advisor: Eberhard Mannack.

1975-76: Brown University. Master of Arts in English (received June 1977). Thesis: “Ernest Hemingway, D.H. Lawrence, and the Wasteland.” Advisor: Mark Spilka.

Academic Experience:

2016-: Appointment as Distinguished Professor, Department of World Languages and Cultures, University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH).

1998-: Professor of German, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures (renamed as Department of World Languages and Cultures (UAH).

1988-98: Associate Professor of German, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, UAH

1982-88: Assistant Professor of German, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, UAH.

1987-88: Visiting Lecturer of English, Faculty of Language and Culture, Osaka University, Japan.

2008 (June): Lehrauftrag Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf. Institut für Germanistik (Neuere Deutsche Literaturwissenschaft, Lehrstuhl Prof. Dr. Bernd Witte)

2009 (December) Lehrauftrag Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf. Institut für Germanistik (Neuere Deutsche Literaturwissenschaft, Lehrstuhl Prof. Dr. Bernd Witte). Blockseminar “Benjamins Einbahnstraße: Großstadtopographie, kulturelles Gedächtnis, Medientechnologien.”

2010-2011: Assistant Chair, Departments of Communication Arts and Foreign Languages and Literatures, UAH.

2011-present: Chair, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, UAH.

II. Selected Teaching:

Introductory and intermediate German
German Conversation
Introduction to German Literature
German Culture

International Cinema
Texts and Contexts

Interdisciplinary Honors Seminars (in English):

- Modern Japan and the West: Science, Technology, and Literature (team-taught; Spring 1992/93)
- Modernity and the Non-West (team-taught; Fall 1996)
- Berlin: From the Golden Twenties to German Reunification (Spring 2003)
- From the Modern Metropolis to the Global City: Paris, Berlin, New York, Tokyo (Spring 2007)
- Manifestations of the Modern Metropolis: Paris, Berlin, New York, Tokyo (Fall 2011)
- H 399: What Are You Listen to? Sound, Media, and Culture (Spring 2015)

III. Languages:

- German (native speaker)
- English (fluent)
- French (reading knowledge)
- Japanese (elementary knowledge)

IV. Publications:

Books:

1. *Kritik und Revision: Kafkas Rezeption mythologischer, biblischer und historischer Traditionen.* Beiträge zur Literatur und Literaturwissenschaft des 20. Jahrhunderts 5. Ed. Eberhard Mannack. Frankfurt am Main, Bern, New York: Peter Lang, 1986.

Reviewed in: *Die Welt* 28 June 1986.
Germanistik 27:2 (1986): 429-30.
German Studies Review 10:3 (Oct. 1987): 592-93.
Monatshefte 79:4 (1987): 500-02.

2. *Constructing China: Kafka's Orientalist Discourse.* Columbia, S.C.: Camden House, 1997.

Reviewed in: *Kafka Katern* (The Netherlands) 6:3 (September 1998): 84-85.
Doitsu Bungaku (Die Deutsche Literatur, Japan) 101 (Fall 1998): 138-41.
International Review of Modernism 1:2 (Fall/Winter 1998).
German Studies Review 22:1 (February 1999): 128-29.
German Quarterly 72:1 (Winter 1999): 97-98.
Colloquia Germanica 32:1 (1999): 94-96.
Seminar 35:3 (September 1999): 264-66.

Germanic Notes and Reviews 31:1 (Spring 2000): 72-73.
Monatshefte 92:4 (2000): 522-23.
Austrian History Yearbook 32 (2001): 294-96.

3. *Benjamin heute: Großstadtdiskurs, Postkolonialität und Flanerie zwischen den Kulturen*. München: Iudicium, 2001.

Reviewed in: *Colloquia Germanica* 35: 3/4 (2002): 372-374
Zeitschrift für Germanistik 13:1 (2003): 211.
German Studies Review 26:1 (February 2003): 219-20.
The German Quarterly 76:2 (Spring 2003): 233-37.
IASOnline (12 July 2004): URL: http://iasl.uni-muenchen.de/rezensio/liste/Emden389129087X_680.html
Monatshefte 96:3 (2004): 459-61.
Modern Language Review 99: 4 (2004): 1105-06.
Comparative Literature Studies 42:1 (2005): 97-100.

4. *A Franz Kafka Encyclopedia* (with Richard T. Gray, Ruth V. Gross, and Clayton Koelb). Westport, Connecticut and London: Greenwood Press, 2005.

Reviewed in: *The L Magazine*, 2005
Library Journal, November 15, 2005
Booklist/Reference Books Bulletin, December 15, 2005
Midwest Book Review, November 2005
Choice, February 2006
Reference Reviews, July 2006
Modern Language Review, 2007
German Studies Review, February 2007

5a. *Berliner Spaziergänge: Literatur—Architektur—Film*, by Reinhard Zachau, with Margit Sinka and Rolf Goebel. Newburyport, MA: Focus Publishing/R. Pullins Company, 2009 (Kapitel 6: Hauptstadt Berlin, 175-206).

b. *Berlin Walks: A Topographical Introduction to Berlin's Literature*, by Reinhard Zachau, with Margit Sinka and Rolf Goebel (Chapter 6: Unified Berlin; the New Capital and Conclusion). English-Language Materials to 5a.
http://www.sewanee.edu/german/rz_bw/

6. *A Companion to the Works of Walter Benjamin*. Rochester, NY: Camden House, 2009.

Reviewed in: *Choice*, March 2010, #47-3675
German Studies Review 33:2 (May 2010): 456-57
Journal for European Studies 40:2 (2010): 196-98.
Monatshefte 102:4 (Winter 2010): 429-31.
Modern Language Review (July 2012)

The German Quarterly 84:3 (Summer 2011): 384-85.

Journal Articles (peer-reviewed or editorially reviewed)

1. "Erzählerische Selbstverständigung: Christa Wolf zwischen Moderne und Tradition." With Peter Beicken. *Monatshefte* 74:1 (Spring 1982): 59-71.
2. "Curtius, Gadamer, Adorno: Probleme literarischer Tradition." *Monatshefte* 78:2 (Summer 1986): 151-66.
3. "Kafka, der Poststrukturalismus und die Geschichte: Kritische Anmerkungen zur amerikanischen Kafkaforschung." *Zeitschrift für Germanistik. Neue Folge* 1 (1991): 70-81.
- 3a. Excerpts reprinted, with commentary, in: *Uni-Training: Neuere Deutsche Literaturwissenschaft. Perspektiven auf literarische Texte-- Grundstrukturen des Fachs und Methoden der Interpretation*, ed. Isabella Bleissem and Hanns-Peter Reisner. Stuttgart, Dresden: Klett Verlag für Wissen und Bildung, 1995. 182-87; 254-57.
4. "Constructing Chinese History: Kafka's and Dittmar's Orientalist Discourse." *PMLA* 108:1 (January 1993): 59-71.
5. "Japan as Western Text: Roland Barthes, Richard Gordon Smith, and Lafcadio Hearn." *Comparative Literature Studies* 30:2 (1993): 188-205.
- 5a. Reprinted in: *Roland Barthes* (3 vols.), ed. Mike Gane and Nicholas Gane. London: Sage Publications, 2003.
6. "China as an Embalmed Mummy: Herder's Orientalist Poetics." *South Atlantic Review* 60:1 (January 1995): 111-29.
7. "Japanese Urban Space and the Citation of Western Signs." *Comparative Literature Studies* 35: 2 (1998): 93-106.
8. "Paris, Capital of Modernity: Kafka and Benjamin." *Monatshefte* 90: 4 (Winter 1998): 445-64.
9. "Benjamin's *Flâneur* in Japan: Urban Modernity and Conceptual Relocation." *The German Quarterly* 71:4 (Fall 1998): 377-91.
10. "Postkoloniale Kritik und kulturelle Authentizität: Zur Rezeption Walter Benjamins in der amerikanischen Kulturtheorie." *Weimarer Beiträge* 45:4 (1999): 532-46.

11. "Fremde in der *Einbahnstraße*: Kulturelles Zitat und ethnographische Authentizität bei Walter Benjamin." *Germanisch-Romanische Monatsschrift* 50:2 (2000): 223-37.
12. "Kafka and the East: The Case for Cultural Construction." *Symposium* 55: 4 (Winter 2002): 190-98.
13. "Unveränderlichkeit der Schrift und Gleichzeitigkeit der Methoden-Ungleichzeitigkeiten: Neue Beiträge zur Kafka-Forschung" (review article). *Monatshefte* 94:4 (Winter 2002): 464-76.
14. "Die (post)moderne Metropole zwischen Literaturwissenschaft und Cultural Studies: Anmerkungen zur neueren Berlin-Forschung" (review article). *Zeitschrift für Germanistik*, Neue Folge 1 (2003): 146-56.
15. "Berlin's Architectural Citations: Reconstruction, Simulation, and the Problem of Historical Authenticity." *PMLA* 118: 5 (October 2003): 1268-89.
16. "*Wahrheit und Methode* im Zeitalter der postmodernen Globalisierung." *Monatshefte* 96:2 (Summer 2004): 155-62.
17. "Queer Berlin: Lifestyles, Performances, and Capitalist Consumer Society." *The German Quarterly* 79: 4 (Fall 2006): 484-504.
18. "Benjamins 'Traumhäuser des Kollektivs' heute: Textlektüre und globale Stadtkultur." *Zeitschrift für Germanistik*, Neue Folge 17: 3 (2007): 585-92.
19. "*Gesamtkunstwerk* Dresden: Official Urban Discourse and Durs Grünbein's Poetic Critique." *German Quarterly* 80:4 (Fall 2007): 492-510. (Recipient of the 2007 Max Kade Award for the Best Article in *The German Quarterly*)
20. "Medienapparaturen und Großstadtopographie bei Walter Benjamin." *Euphorion* 105: 2 (2011): 187-200.
21. "Benjamin's Arcades Project today: From the European Metropolis to the Global City." *Journal of Postcolonial Writing*, 47:5 (December 2011): 488-496.
22. "Kulturelles Gedächtnis als topographische Selbstartikulation." *Monatshefte* 104:4 (Winter 2012): 554-69.
23. "Einschreibungen der Trauer. Schrift, Bild und Musik in Walter Benjamins Sonetten auf Christoph Friedrich Heinle." *Weimarer Beiträge* 59.1 (2013): 65-78.
24. "Transposing Music: An Intermedial Perspective on German Modernist Poetry," *The German Quarterly* 86.3 (Summer 2013): 294-310.

Essays in Books:

1. "Brechts *Dreigroschenroman* und die Tradition des Kriminalromans." *Brecht Jahrbuch* 1979. Ed. John Fuegi, Reinhold Grimm, and Jost Hermand. Edition suhrkamp 989. Frankfurt am Main: Suhrkamp, 1979. 67-81.
2. "Selbstaflösung der Mythologie in Kafkas Kurzprosa." *Kafka-Studien*. Ed. Barbara Elling. New Yorker Studien zur Neueren Deutschen Literaturgeschichte 5. Ed. Joseph Strelka. New York, Berne, Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 1985. 63-80.
3. "Verborgener Orientalismus: Kafkas 'Vor dem Gesetz'." *Franz Kafka "Vor dem Gesetz": Aufsätze und Materialien*. Ed. Manfred Voigts. Würzburg: Königshausen & Neumann, 1994. 31-43.
4. "Kafka's 'An Old Manuscript' and the European Discourse on Ch'ing Dynasty China." *Kafka and China*. Ed. Adrian Hsia. Euro-Sinica 7. Bern, Berlin, Frankfurt am Main: Lang, 1996. 97-111.
5. "Orientalismus, Homoerotik und ethnographische Parodie: *Kafkas Beschreibung eines Kampfes*." *Das Fremde: Reiseerfahrungen, Schreibformen und kulturelles Wissen. Zeitschrift für Germanistik*, Neue Folge, Beiheft 2 (1999). Ed. Alexander Honold and Klaus R. Scherpe. Bern, Berlin, Bruxelles: Lang, 1999. 285-302.
6. "The Exploration of the Modern City in *The Trial*." *The Cambridge Companion to Kafka*. Ed. Julian Preece. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002: 42-60.
7. "Kafka and Postcolonial Critique: *Der Verschollene*, 'In der Strafkolonie, 'Beim Bau der chinesischen Mauer.'" *A Companion to the Works of Franz Kafka*. Ed. James Rolleston. Rochester, NY and Woodbridge, UK: Camden House/Boydell and Brewer, 2002. 187-212.
8. "Cultural Hermeneutics and Orientalist Discourse: Loti's Self-Reflexive *Japonisme*." *Thresholds of Western Culture: Identity, Postcoloniality, Transnationalism*. Ed. John Burt Foster, Jr. and Wayne Jeffrey Froman. New York, London: Continuum, 2002. 192-205; 252-255.
9. "'Ein Hollywood aus Versatzstücken heißester europäischer Geschichte': Durs Grünbein's Berlin as Cinematic Spectacle." *Gegenwartsliteratur: Ein germanistisches Jahrbuch/A German Studies Yearbook* (4/2005). Ed. Paul Michael Lützeler and Stephan K. Schindler. Tübingen: Stauffenburg, 2005. 1-20.
10. „Großstadterfahrung und das Exil der Moderne." *Benjamin und das Exil*. Ed. Bernd Witte. Würzburg: Königshausen & Neumann, 2006. 36-43.

11. "Topographie de la grande ville européenne et culture mondialisée du souvenir. Pour une lecture contemporaine du *Live des passages* de Walter Benjamin." *Topographies du souvenir. "Le Livre des passages" de Walter Benjamin.* Ed. Bernd Witte. Paris: Presses Sorbonne Nouvelle, 2007. 57-64. (French version of Nr. 12)
12. „Europäische Großstadtopographie und globale Erinnerungskultur: Benjamins *Passagen-Werk* heute.“ *Topographien der Erinnerung*. Ed. Bernd Witte. Würzburg: Königshausen & Neumann, 2008. 73-78. (German version of Nr. 11)
13. "Ossi-Wessi Queer: Literary Constructions of Gay Sensibilities and German Reunification." *Ossi Wessi*, ed. Donald Backman and Aida Sakalauskaite. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2008. 187-200.
14. "Media Competition: Ruttmann's *Berlin: die Symphonie der Großstadt* and Hessel's *Ein Flaneur in Berlin*." *Topography and Literature: Berlin and Modernism*, ed. Reinhard Zachau. Göttingen: V&R unipress, 2009. 111-23.
15. "Medienkonkurrenz und literarische Selbstlegitimierung bei Thomas Mann." *Der neue Wettstreit der Künste: Legitimation und Dominanz im Zeichen der Intermedialität*, ed. Uta Degner and Norbert Christian Wolf. Bielefeld: transcript, 2010. 41-56.
16. "‘Irrsinnige Schallröhren’. Radio, Grammophon und textimmante Hermeneutik in Hesses *Steppenwolf*. 'Magischer Einklang': *Dialog der Künste im Werk Hermann Hesses*, ed. Henriette Herwig and Sikander Singh, Göttingen: Wallstein, 2011. 193-204.
17. "Kafka in Virilio's Teletopical City." *Kafka for the Twenty-First Century*, ed. Stanley Corngold and Ruth V. Gross. Rochester, NY: Camden House, 2011. 151-64.
18. "Yvan Goll's *Die Eurokokke*: A Reading Through Walter Benjamin's *Passagen-Werk*." *From Kafka to Sebald: Modernism and Narrative Form*. Ed. Sabine Wilke. New York, London: Continuum, 2012. 65-78.
19. "Kafkas Kino-Blick in der *Betrachtung*. Medienkonkurrenz als Schreibimpuls." *Kafkas Betrachtung Band 1/ Kafka interkulturell Band 2*. Ed. Harald Neumeyer and Wilko Steffens, Würzburg: Königshausen & Neumann, 2013. 119-28.
20. „Exploding the Urban Prison-World with the Dynamite of the Split Second: Technologically Mediated Travel from Benjamin to Virilio.“ *Benjamins Grenzgänge / Benjamin's Frontiers*. Ed. Gerhard Richter, Karl Solibakke, and Bernd Witte. Würzburg: Königshausen & Neumann, 2013. 89-102.

21. „,Wortloses Lied das Worte nicht ermessen‘. Schrift, Bild und Musik in Walter Benjamins Sonetten auf Christoph Friedrich Heinle.“ *Benjamin-Studien 3*. Ed. Daniel Weidner and Sigrid Weigel. Paderborn: Wilhelm Fink, 2014. 47-62.
22. “Afterword.” *Bloom and Bust: Urban Landscapes in the East Since German Reunification*. Ed. Gwyneth Cliver and Carrie Smith-Prei. New York: Oxford: Berghahn, 2015. 249-54.
23. “Das Sony-Center als Phantasmagorie des Interkulturellen: Vergangenheit und japanische Digitalgegenwart im Zeitalter des Global-Kapitalismus.” 161-71. *Interkulturelle Schauplätze in der Großstadt: Kulturelle Zwischenräume in amerikanischen, asiatischen und europäischen Metropolen*. Ed. Kikuko Kashiwagi-Wetzel and Michael Wetzel. Paderborn: Wilhelm Fink, 2015. 161-71.

Non Peer-Reviewed Articles and Other Contributions:

1. “Kommentar, Wort- und Sacherklärungen.” With Peter Beicken and Tamara Trykar-Lu. *Franz Kafka: Die Verwandlung. Erläuterungen und Dokumente*. Ed. Peter Beicken. Reclam Universal-Bibliothek 8155. Stuttgart: Reclam, 1983. 5-49.
2. “Kobo Abe: Japan’s Kafka.” *Newsletter of The Kafka Society of America* 7: 1 (June 1983): 30-40.
3. “Kafka and Kierkegaard’s *Fear and Trembling*: Critique and Revision.” *Journal of The Kafka Society of America* 9:1/2 (June/December 1985): 69-82.
4. “Rediscovering Japan’s Christian Tradition: Text-Immanent Hermeneutics in Two Short Stories by Shusaku Endo.” *Studies in Language and Culture* (Osaka University, Japan) 14 (1988): 157-72.
5. “Hermeneutics, the New Historicism, and Comparative Literature Studies.” *Journal of Comparative Literature* (Japan) 31 (1988): 272-94.
6. “Kafka, der Poststrukturalismus und die Geschichte: Kritische Anmerkungen zur amerikanischen Kafka-Forschung.” *Studies in Language and Culture* (Osaka University, Japan) 15 (1989): 199-224.
7. “Kafka’s Orientalist Rhetoric: China, the Middle East, India.” *Journal of The Kafka Society of America* 15:1/2 (June/December 1991): 21-28.
8. “Kafka, Contextualization, and Cultural Studies.” *Journal of the Kafka Society of America* 20: 1-2 (June/December 1996): 14-18.
9. Contribution to Forum on Cultural Studies and the Literary, *PMLA* 112 (1997): 259-60.

10. "The Language of Deconstruction: Elitist Jargon or *Jargonvergnügen*?" Contribution to "Viewpoints," *Asian Studies Newsletter* 43:2 (Spring 1998): 6-7.
11. "Kafka's Cinematic Gaze: Flânerie and Urban Discourse in *Beschreibung eines Kampfes*." *Journal of The Kafka Society of America* 24: 1-2 (June/December 2000): 13-16.
12. "Forget Hermeneutics? A Response to Lutz Koepnick." *The German Quarterly* 75:2 (Spring 2002): 197-200.
13. Response to Forum: "Is Literature Still Central to German Studies?" *The German Quarterly* 80:2 (Spring 2007): 141-42.
14. Response to Forum: "Credibility: The Next Challenge." *The German Quarterly* 81:1 (Winter 2008): 2-3.
15. Response to Forum: "The Role of Translation in German Studies." *The German Quarterly* 81:4 (Fall 2008): 489.

Book Reviews:

1. *Negativität der Erkenntnis im Werk Franz Kafkas: Eine Untersuchung zu seinem Denken anhand einiger später Texte.* By Sabina Kienlechner. *Seminar* (November 1982): 301-02.
2. *Brecht.* By Jan Needle and Peter Thomson. *Beyond Brecht. Über Brecht hinaus. The Brecht Yearbook* 11 (1982). Ed. John Fuegi, Gisela Bahr, and John Willett. Detroit: Wayne State University Press; München: edition text + kritik, 1983. 243-44.
3. *Brecht-Kommentar zur erzählenden Prosa.* By Klaus-Detlef Müller. *Beyond Brecht. Über Brecht hinaus. The Brecht Yearbook* 11 (1982). Ed. John Fuegi, Gisela Bahr, and John Willett. Detroit: Wayne State University Press; München: edition text + kritik, 1983. 244-45.
4. *Brecht in Context. Comparative Approaches.* By John Willett. *The Germanic Review* 61:1 (Winter 1986): 38-39.
5. *Franz Kafka: Amtliche Schriften.* Ed. Klaus Hermsdorf. *Reading Kafka: Prague, Politics, and the Fin de Siècle.* Ed. Mark Anderson. *Franz Kafka: Schriftverkehr.* Ed. Wolf Kittler and Gerhard Neumann. *Zeitschrift für Germanistik* Neue Folge 2 (1992): 431-34.

6. *Franz Kafka und die Expressionisten im Ende der Neuzeit*. By Walter Falk. *Ort der Gewalt: Kafkas literarische Ethik*. By Joseph Vogl. *Zeitschrift für Germanistik Neue Folge* 3 (1992): 705-08.
7. *Autoren damals und heute: Literaturgeschichtliche Beispiele veränderter Wirkungshorizonte*. Ed. Gerhard P. Knapp. *Monatshefte* 85:1 (Spring 1993): 87-88.
8. *Kafka's Clothes: Ornament and Aestheticism in the Habsburg Fin de Siècle*. By Mark M. Anderson. *The Germanic Review* 69: 4 (Fall 1994): 188-89.
9. *Occidentalism: A Theory of Counter-Discourse in Post-Mao China*. By Xiaomei Chen. *The Comparatist* 20 (May 1996):192-94.
10. *Franz Kafka: The Jewish Patient*. By Sander L. Gilman. *The Germanic Review* 71: 4 (Fall 1996): 314-17.
11. *Everyone's Darling: Kafka and the Critics of His Short Fiction*. By Franz R. Kempf. *The Germanic Review* 71: 4 (Fall 1996): 317-20.
12. *Between the Eagle and the Sun: Traces of Japan*. By Ihab Hassan. *The Comparatist* 21 (May 1997):152-55.
13. "Denn es ist noch nichts geschehen": *Walter Benjamins Kafka-Deutung*. By Bernd Müller. *Kafka-Katern* (Utrecht, The Netherlands) 5:3 (September 1997): 69-70.
14. *Ingeborg Bachmann: Neue Richtungen in der Forschung?* Ed. Gudrun Brokoph-Mauch and Annette Draeger. *Rivista di Letterature moderne e comparate* 50:3 (1997): 323-25.
15. *Fremde und Fremdes in der Literatur*. Ed. Joanna Jablkowska and Erwin Leibfried. *German Studies Review* 21:1 (February 1998): 201-03.
16. *The Legacy of Kafka in Contemporary Austrian Fiction*. Ed. Frank Pilipp. *German Studies Review* 21:2 (May 1998): 404-06.
17. *East, West, and Others: The Third World in Postwar German Literature*. By Arlene Teraoka. *German Studies Review* 21:2 (May 1998): 414-15.
18. *Language, Literature, and the Negotiation of Identity*. By Barbara A. Fennell. *South Atlantic Review* 63:4 (Fall 1998): 86-89.
19. *Crosscurrents in the Literatures of Asia and the West: Essays in Honor of A. Owen Aldridge*. By Masayuki Akiyama and Yiu-nam Leung. *Comparative Literature Studies* 36: 1 (1999): 68-73.

20. *Franz Kafka*. By Ronald Speirs and Beatrice Sandberg. *Monatshefte* 91:1 (Spring 1999): 159-60.
21. *Popularizing the Nation: Audience, Representation, and the Production of Identity in Die Gartenlaube 1853-1900*. By Kirsten Belgum. *South Atlantic Review* 64:1 (Winter 1999): 124-26.
22. *Enlightenment or Empire: Colonial Discourse in German Literature*. By Russell A. Berman. *South Atlantic Review* 64:1 (Winter 1999): 127-29.
23. *Politics in German Literature*. Ed. Beth Bjorklund and Mark E. Cory. *South Atlantic Review* 64:1 (Winter 1999): 129-31.
24. *Lesarten der Moderne. Essays*. By Rainer Nägele. *Monatshefte* 91:4 (Winter 1999): 566-67.
25. *The Art of Taking a Walk: Flanerie, Literature, and Film in Weimar Culture*. By Anke Gleber. *Monatshefte* 92:1 (Spring 2000): 98-99.
26. *Phoenix im Sand. Glanz und Elend der Hauptstadt Berlin*. By Wolf Jobst Siedler. *German Studies Review* 23:2 (May 2000): 392-93.
27. *Queering the Canon: Defying Sights in German Literature and Culture*. Ed. Christoph Lorey and John L. Plews. *German Studies Review* 23:2 (May 2000): 400-01.
28. *Figuren der/des Dritten. Erkundigungen kultureller Zwischenräume*. Ed. Claudia Breger and Tobias Döring. *German Studies Review* 23:2 (May 2000): 401-02.
29. *Walter Benjamin and the Aesthetics of Power*. By Lutz Koepnick. *Journal of English and Germanic Philology* (April 2001): 311-12.
30. *The Cambridge Companion to Modern German Culture*. Ed. Eva Kolinsky and Wilfried van der Will. *German Studies Review* 24: 2 (May 2001): 377-78.
31. *Warm Brothers: Queer Theory and the Age of Goethe*. By Robert Tobin. *German Studies Review* 24: 2 (May 2001):385-86.
32. *Prague Territories: National Conflict and Cultural Innovation in Franz Kafka's Fin de Siècle*. By Scott Spector. *German Studies Review* 24: 2 (May 2001): 409-10.
33. *Wo Kafka und seine Freunde zu Gast waren*. By Hartmut Binder. *Zeitschrift für Germanistik. Neue Folge* 3 (2001): 690-91.

34. *Franz Kafka: Internationale Bibliographie der Primär- und Sekundärliteratur*. Ed. Maria Luise Caputo-Mayr and Julius Michael Herz. *Zeitschrift für Germanistik, Neue Folge* 3 (2001): 691-93.
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36. *Räume der literarischen Postmoderne: Gender, Performativität, Globalisierung*. Ed. Paul Michael Lützeler. *South Atlantic Review* 66:4 (Fall 2001): 182-84.
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38. *The Challenge of German Culture: Essays Presented to Wilfried van der Will*. Ed. Michael Butler and Robert Evans. *German Studies Review* 25: 1 (February 2002): 127-28.
39. *Literarisches Krisenbewußtsein: Ein Perzeptions- und Produktionsmuster im 20. Jahrhundert*. Ed. Keith Bullivant and Bernhard Spies. *German Studies Review* 25: 1 (February 2002): 190-91.
40. *The Myth of Power and the Self: Essays on Franz Kafka*. By Walter H. Sokel. *Monatshefte* 95:1 (Spring 2003): 143-44.
41. *German Culture and Society: A Glossary*. Ed. Holger Briel. *Journal of Contemporary European Studies* 11:1 (2003): 128-29.
42. *Dinge — Medien der Aneignung, Grenzen der Verfügung*. Ed. Gisela Ecker, Claudia Breger, Susanne Scholz. *Journal of Contemporary European Studies* 11:1 (2003): 132-33.
43. *Kafka goes to the Movies*. By Hanns Zischler. *German Studies Review* 26: 3 (October 2003): 646-47.
44. *Benjamin's Ghosts: Interventions in Contemporary Literary and Cultural Theory*. Ed. Gerhard Richter. *The German Quarterly* 76:3 (Summer 2003): 341-43.
45. *Philologie der Geschichte: Literaturkritik und Historiographie nach Walter Benjamin*. By Peter Garloff. *The German Quarterly* 76:4 (Fall 2003): 455-57.
46. *Present Pasts: Urban Palimpsests and the Politics and Memory*. By Andreas Huyssen. *The German Quarterly* 77: 1 (Winter 2004): 118-21.
47. *Berlin: Aufstieg einer Kulturmetropole um 1810*. By Theodore Ziolkowki. *The German Quarterly* 77:2 (Spring 2004): 234-35.

48. *Kein Ort. Überall. Die Einschreibung von "Berlin" in die deutsche Sprache der neunziger Jahre.* By Phil C. Langer. *The German Quarterly* 77:3 (Summer 2004): 370-74.
49. *Das offene Geheimnis: Zur literarischen Produktivität eines Tabus von Winckelmann bis zu Thomas Mann.* By Heinrich Detering. *The German Quarterly* 77:4 (Fall 2004): 512-14.
50. *Kafka: Das Schloss.* By Bill Dodd. *Colloquia Germanica* 36:3/4 (2003): 352-354.
51. *Kafka's Travel's: Exoticism, Colonialism, and the Traffic of Writing.* By John Zilcosky. *Colloquia Germanica* 36:3/4 (2003): 355-57.
52. *Berlin: The Symphony Continues.* Ed. Carol Anne Costabile-Heming et al. *Debatte* 12: 2 (2004): 189-91.
53. *Germany Since 1945.* By Pól O'Dochartaigh. *Debatte* 12: 2 (2004): 197-98.
54. *Hans-Georg Gadamer: A Biography.* By Jean Grondin. *German Studies Review* 28: 2 (May 2005): 454-55.
55. *Recasting German Identity: Culture, Politics, and Literature in the Berlin Republic.* Ed. Stuart Taberner and Frank Finlay. *German Studies Review* 28: 2 (May 2005): 468-69.
56. *Handbuch interkulturelle Germanistik.* Ed. Alois Wierlacher and Andrea Bogner. *German Studies Review* 28: 2 (May 2005): 470-71.
57. *Walter Benjamin.* By Uwe Steiner. *German Studies Review* 29: 2 (May 2006): 460-61.
58. *Street Scenes: Brecht, Benjamin, and Berlin.* By Nicolas Whybrow. *German Studies Review* 30: 1 (February 2007): 184-85.
59. *The Nazi Abduction of Ganymede: Representations of Male Homosexuality in Postwar German Literature.* By Gary Schmidt. *German Studies Review* 30:1 (February 2007): 220-21.
60. *Kontinent Kafka. Mosse-Lectures an der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.* Ed. Klaus R. Scherpe and Elizabeth Wagner. *Zeitschrift für Germanistik, Neue Folge* 17: 2 (2007): 477-78.
61. *Walter Benjamin über Spiel, Farbe und Phantasie.* By Heinz Brüggemann. *Zeitschrift für Germanistik, Neue Folge* 17:3 (2007): 716-17.

62. *Benjamin-Handbuch. Leben—Werk—Wirkung.* Ed Burkhardt Lindner. *Monatshefte* 99: 3 (Fall 2007): 399-400.
63. *Seelenzauber: Thomas Mann und die Musik.* By Hans Rudolf Vaget. *German Studies Review* 31:2 (May 2008): 437-38. (with Florian Trabert).
64. *Geburt und Teufelsdienst: Franz Kafka and Schriftsteller und Jude.* By Manfred Voigts. *Modern Austrian Literature* 42:2 (2009): 90-91.
65. *Berlin im Kopf. Arbeit am Berlin-Mythos. Exil und Innere Emigration 1933-1945.* By Herrmann Haarmann (ed.). *Zeitschrift für Germanistik, Neue Folge* 19:3 (2009): 708-09.
66. *Benjamin's –abilities.* By Samuel Weber. *Colloquia Germanica*, 41:2 (2008): 175-77.
67. "Zwillingshafte Gebärden": *Zur kulturellen Wahrnehmung des vierhändigen Klavierspiels im neunzehnten Jahrhundert.* By Adrian Daub. *The German Quarterly* 83:1 (Winter 2010): 102-03.
68. *Hauptstadtphantasien. Berliner Stadtlektüren in der Gegenwartsliteratur 1989-2008.* By Susanne Ledanff. *Gegenwartsliteratur. Ein germanistisches Jahrbuch. A German Studies Yearbook* 9/2010: 348-49.
69. *Walter Benjamin und die romantische Moderne.* Ed. Heinz Brüggemann and Günter Oesterle. *Monatshefte* 102:4 (Winter 2010): 634-36.
70. *Kafka-Handbuch. Leben—Werk—Wirkung.* Ed. Manfred Engel and Bernd Auerochs. *German Studies Review* 34:2 (May 2011): 421-23.
71. *Berlin. Eine musikalische Entdeckungsreise.* By Wolfgang Feyerabend. *German Studies Review* 34:2 (May 2011): 439-40.
72. *Hermann Hesses Roßhalde, Klingsors letzter Sommer und Steppenwolf im Kontext von Kunstkritik, Künstlerkrise und Intermedialität.* By Gustav Landgren. *Studia Neophilologica*, 83:2, 232-234.
73. *Das Trauerspiel-Buch. Der Souverän—das Trauerspiel—Konstellationen—Ruinen.* By Bettine Menke. *Monatshefte* 103: 4 (Winter 2011): 681-83.
74. *The Aesthetics of the Total Artwork: On Borders and Fragments.* Ed. Anke Finger and Danielle Follett. *German Studies Review* 35:2 (May 2012): 413-15.

75. *Darstellung bei Walter Benjamin. Die 'Erkenntniskritische Vorrede' im Kontext ästhetischer Darstellungstheorien der Moderne.* By Jan Urbich. *Monatshefte* 104: 3 (Fall 2012): 457-59.
76. *A Poet's Reich: Politics and Culture in the George Circle.* Ed. Melissa S. Lane and Martin A. Ruehl. *German Studies Review* 35:3 (October 2012): 674-76.
77. *Benjamin's Library: Modernity, Nation, and the Baroque.* By Jane O. Newman. *Monatshefte* 105:1 (Spring 2013): 159-61.
78. *Stefan George und sein Kreis: Ein Handbuch.* Ed. Achim Aurnhammer, Wolfgang Braungart, Stefan Breuer, and Ute Oelmann. *German Studies Review* 36:2 (May 2013): 439-41.
79. *Franz Radziwill and the Contradictions of German Art History, 1919-45.* By James A. van Dyke. *Monatshefte* 105:3 (Fall 2013): 521-23.
80. *Literatur um 1800. Klassisch-romantische Moderne.* By Harald Tausch. *Monatshefte* 105:4 (Winter 2013): 714-16.
81. *History in Mighty Sounds: Musical Constructions of German National Identity, 1848-1914.* By Barbara Eichner. H-German, H-Net Reviews. May, 2014.
URL: <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=40443>
82. *Wagner and Venice Fictionalized: Variations of a Theme.* By John W. Barker, and: *Tristan's Shadow: Sexuality and the Total Work of Art after Wagner.* By Adrian Daub. *Monatshefte* 106: 2 (Summer 2014): 317-21.
83. *The Fleeting Promise of Art: Adorno's Aesthetic Theory Revisited.* By Peter Uwe Hohendahl, and: *The Differentiation of Modernism: Postwar German Media Arts.* By Larson Powell. *German Studies Review* 37: 2 (May 2014): 463-68.
84. *Lektüren der Erinnerung. Lessing, Kant, Hegel.* By Peter Gilgen. *Monatshefte* 106: 3 (Fall 2014): 499-501.
85. *Philosophy and Melancholy: Benjamin's Early Reflections on Theater and Language.* By Ilit Ferber. *Monatshefte* 106: 4 (Winter 2014): 717-19.
86. *Auditive Medienkulturen: Techniken des Hörens und Praktiken der Klanggestaltung.* Ed. Axel Volmar and Jens Schröter. *German Studies Review* 38: 1 (February 2015): 232-35.
87. *Der George-Kreis und die Theosophie. Mit einem Exkurs zum Swastika-Zeichen bei Helena Blavatsky, Alfred Schuler und Stefan George.* By Jan Stottmeister. *German Studies Review* 38: 2 (May 2015): 425-27.

88. *Walter Benjamin and the Media: The Spectacle of Modernity*. By Jaecho Kang. Monatshefte 107: 3 (Fall 2015): 515-16.
89. *Stefan George: Eine Biographie*. By Kai Kauffmann. Monatshefte 107: 4 (Winter 2015): 690-92.

V. Conference Papers, Lectures, and Other Presentations:

1. "Franz Kafka and Kobo Abe: A Japanese Metamorphosis." Colloquium of the Program of Comparative Literature, University of Maryland. College Park, 6 February 1981.
2. "Kafka and Handke: Affinity and Distance in Productive Reception." Convention of the Northeast Modern Language Association. Quebec, Canada, 11 April 1981.
3. "Kafka's Ironic Disfiguration of Tradition." Georgia Colloquium 1983, University of Georgia. Athens, 9 April 1983.
4. "Zum Problem literarischer Tradition." Convention of the Northeast Modern Language Association. Erie, Pennsylvania, 14 April 1983.
5. "Kobo Abe: Japan's Kafka." Convention of the Modern Language Association. New York, 28 December 1983.
6. "Mythos und Entfremdung in Kafkas Kurzprosa." Convention of the Northeast Modern Language Association. Philadelphia, 30 March 1984.
7. "Ludwig Tiecks Drama 'Der gestiefelte Kater' als satirische Selbstkritik des literarischen Autonomie-Ideals." Convention of the Northeast Modern Language Association. Hartford, Connecticut, 30 March 1985.
8. "Kafka and Kierkegaard: Critique and Revision." Convention of the Modern Language Association. New York, 29 December 1985.
9. "Kafka and the Bible." Sunday Forum of the Friends of the Huntsville Public Library. Huntsville, Alabama, 2 February 1986.
10. "Christianity and Japan: The Writings of Shusaku Endo." Convention of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association. Atlanta, Georgia, 14 November 1986.
11. "How do Readers Read? Literature and Interpretation." Sunday Forum of the Friends of the Huntsville Public Library. Huntsville, Alabama, 22 February 1987.

12. "Kafka's Importance Today." Friends of German Culture/Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, UAH. Huntsville, Alabama, 13 April 1987.
13. "What is New Historicism?--Its Theoretical Assumptions and Relevance for the Renaissance and Other Literary Periods." Meeting of the Kansai Shakespeare Study Circle. Otemae Women's University, Japan, 24 April 1988.
14. "Current Developments in American Literary Criticism." Center for Japan-U.S. Exchange in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Osaka University, Japan, 16 June 1988.
15. "The New Historicism: Hermeneutical Assumptions and Methodological Problems." Fiftieth Annual Meeting of the Japanese Comparative Literature Association. Tokyo, Japan, 19 June 1988.
16. "A Visiting Lecturer's Impressions of Japan." Public Library. Huntsville, Alabama, 22 January 1989.
17. "(De-)Constructing the Chinese Revolution: J. Dittmar's *In New China* and Kafka's 'Constructing the Chinese Wall.'" International Convention on Representing Revolution. Atlanta, Georgia, 27 October 1989.
18. "Non-Western Education and the Eurocentric Discourse on China." 42nd Annual Conference of the Southeast Philosophy of Education Society. Huntsville, Alabama, 2 February 1990.
19. "Kafkas *Ein altes Blatt* und der europäische Diskurs über China." Symposium on "Sprache--Geschichte--Text -- im Fall von *Ein Landarzt. Kleine Erzählungen* von Kafka." Kobe, Japan, 24 June 1990.
20. "The New Historicism and Kafka's 'An Old Manuscript.'" Department of English, Tohoku University. Sendai, Japan. 1 August 1990.
21. "Kafka's Orientalist Rhetoric." Convention of the Modern Language Association. Chicago, 29 December 1990.
22. "Japan as a Western Text: Lafcadio Hearn and Roland Barthes." East Asian Studies Coffee Hour. Princeton University, 10 May 1991.
23. "Japan as Western Text: Lafcadio Hearn's First Day in the Orient." Convention of the Modern Language Association. San Francisco, 30 December 1991
24. "Multiculturalism in the United States Today: Literature, Politics, Rhetoric." Center for Japan-U.S. Exchange in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Osaka University, Japan, 21 October 1992.

25. "Tao, the Chinese Script, and Kafka's Early Poetics of Metaphor." Euro-Sinica Symposium "Tao: Reception in East and West." McGill University. Montreal, Canada, 26 May 1993.
26. "Franz Kafka: Geschichtsbezug, Literaturkritik, Orientalismus." Franz Kafka Society of Prague. Prague, Czech Republic, 10 August 1993.
27. "China as An Embalmed Mummy: Herder's Orientalist Poetics." Convention of the Modern Language Association. Toronto, Canada, 28 December 1993.
28. "Disneyland of Signs: Donald Richie's Reading of Japan." XIVth Congress of the International Comparative Literature Association. University of Alberta. Edmonton, Canada, 16 August 1994.
29. "J.S. Bach and His Time: Music, Poetry, Culture." UAH German Club. Huntsville, Alabama, 7 November 1994.
30. "Prague--the Orient--Paris: Textual Travels in Kafka's *Description of a Struggle*." Convention of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association. Baltimore, 12 November 1994.
31. "The City as (Post)Modern Text: Kafka and Baudrillard." Seventh International Conference of the British Comparative Literature Association. Edinburgh, UK, 12 June 1995.
32. "Julius Dittmars Ostasien-Diskurs: Epochenumschwung und dialogisches Prinzip." IX. Weltkongress der Internationalen Vereinigung für Germanische Sprach- und Literaturwissenschaft. University of British Columbia. Vancouver, Canada, 15 August 1995.
33. "The Teaching of Non-Western Cultures in Our Liberal Arts Curriculum." Discussion sponsored by the Advisory Committee on Teaching and Student Life. UAH, 14 November 1995.
34. "Hermeneutics and German Orientalist Discourse." Convention of the Modern Language Association. Chicago, 30 December 1995.
35. "A Tiny, Imagined, Artificial World': Pierre Loti's Japan and the Drama of Cultural Interpretation." Dramas of Culture: The International Association for Philosophy and Literature, 1996 Conference. George Mason University. Fairfax, Virginia, 9 May, 1996.

36. "Paris, Capital of Modernity: Baudelaire, Kafka, Benjamin." Fifth Conference of the International Society for the Study of European Ideas. Utrecht, The Netherlands, 20 August 1996.
37. "Interdisciplinarity, Cultural Studies, and the Honors Program." UAH Honors Forum, 29 October 1996.
38. "Kafka, Modernism, and Cultural Discourse." Convention of the Modern Language Association. Washington, D.C., 29 December 1996.
39. "Benjamin's *Passagen-Werk* and the (Post)Modern Crisis of Historical Consciousness." Perception and Experience in Modernity / Wahrnehmung und Erfahrung in der Moderne: International Walter Benjamin Congress 1997. Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 26 July 1997.
40. "Dislocations of Memory: Benjamin's Flâneur in Japan." 15th Congress of the International Comparative Literature Association. Leiden, The Netherlands, 20 August 1997.
41. "German Reunification, Post-Holocaust Memory, and Contemporary Amnesia." UAH Honors Forum, 5 March 1998.
42. "Benjamin in Tokyo: Urban Modernity and the Myth of Bureaucratic Power." Eighth International Conference of the British Comparative Literature Association. University of Lancaster, United Kingdom, 15 July 1998.
43. "The Holocaust and Contemporary Cultural Politics: Satire, Irony, and Polemics in the Writings of Maxim Biller." Twenty-Second Annual Conference of the German Studies Association. Salt Lake City, Utah, 10 October 1998.
44. "Japanese Surfaces: Outside Perspective and Cultural (Self-)Critique." Convention of the Modern Language Association. San Francisco, 29 December 1998.
45. "Beschreibung eines Kampfes: Surrealismus, Ethnographie, Parodie bei Franz Kafka." Kolonialismus als Kultur? Die Deutsche Moderne und die Erfahrung des Fremden. Symposium veranstaltet vom DFG-Forschungsprojekt "Literatur- und Kulturgeschichte des Fremden 1880-1918," Humboldt-Universität. Berlin, 26 June 1999.
46. "The Trial." Kafka on the Threshold. Conference held at the Centrum Franze Kafky and the Austrian Institute. Prague, 26 July 1999.
47. "'Benjamin's 'Einbahnstraße': Cultural Citation and Colonial Authenticity." Twenty-Third Annual Conference of the German Studies Association. Atlanta, 10 October 1999.

48. "Lecture and Reading in Honor of Günter Grass." UAH, 19 November 1999.
49. "Prague Doesn't Let Go: A Visit to Kafka's Hometown." Huntsville Literary Association. Huntsville, 23 January 2000.
50. "Berlin: The Old and New Capital." UAH Honors Forum. 27 January 2000.
51. "Anglo-American Postcolonial Theory and German Studies: Can't the Two Get Along?" Twenty-Forth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Houston, 7 October 2000.
52. "Kafka's Cinematic Gaze: Flânerie and Urban Discourse." Convention of the Modern Language Association, Washington, D.C., 30 December 2000.
53. "Berlin Reinvented: Urban Memory as Architectural Citation." Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington, D.C., 5 October 2001.
54. "Culture for Business: The Case of Germany". Program sponsored by the AlabamaGermany Partnership, Birmingham, AL, 5 April 2002.
55. "Walter Benjamin: Urban Discourses and Post-Coloniality." Lecture sponsored by the Critical Theory Colloquium and the Department of Germanic Studies, University of Maryland, College Park, 3 May 2002.
56. "Flânerie in the New Berlin: Between Authentic Experience and Postmodern Spectacle." Twenty-Sixth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, San Diego, CA, 5 October 2002.
57. "The New Berlin: From the Golden Twenties to Reunification." UAH Honors Forum, 24 October 2002.
58. "Postcoloniality and the Globalization of German Studies: Walter Benjamin." Convention of the Modern Language Association of America, New York City, 28 December 2002.
59. "Flânerie after Mahagonny — Between Authentic Experience and Postmodern Mediation." Mahagonny.com: 11th Symposium of the International Brecht Society, Berlin, 28 June 2003.
60. "Global Berlin and Other Simulations." Twenty-Seventh Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, New Orleans, 20 September 2003.

61. "Ein Hollywood aus Versatzstücken heißester europäischer Geschichte": Durs Grünbein's Berlin As Quasi-Cinematic Spectacle.' Twenty-Eighth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington, D.C., 9 October 2004.
62. "Globalization, Benjamin's *Passagen-Werk*, and Metropolitan Culture: New Questions for German Studies." Convention of the Modern Language Association of America, Philadelphia, 27 December 2004.
63. "Europäische Großstadtopographie und globale Erinnerungskultur: Benjamins *Passagen-Werk* heute." Topographien der Erinnerung: Tagung der Internationalen Walter Benjamin Gesellschaft, Paris, 14 June 2005.
64. "Großstadterfahrung und das Exil in der Moderne." Benjamin und das Exil: Tagung der Internationalen Walter Benjamin Gesellschaft, Düsseldorf, 20 June 2005.
65. "Benjamins Passagen-Werk aktuell: Von der Hauptstadt des 19. Jahrhunderts bis zur global city." Bauhaus-Universität Weimar (Seminar Dr. Wolfgang Bock: „Walter Benjamin: Über den Begriff der Geschichte.“). 7 July 2005.
66. "The New Berlin: Metropolitan Spaces and Queer Desires." Twenty-Ninth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Milwaukee, 1 October 2005.
67. "Ossi-Wessi Queer: Literary Constructions of Gay Sensibilities and German Reunification." 14th Annual Interdisciplinary German Studies Conference, University of California, Berkeley, 19 March, 2006.
68. "Berlin Today: Architecture, Cultural Memory, Global Future." Invited lecture, University of the South, Sewanee, TN, 11 April 2006.
69. "*Gesamtkunstwerk* Dresden: Reconstruction, Memory Culture, and Poetic Critique." Thirtieth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, 29 September 2006.
70. "Benjamins Traumhäuser des Kollektivs heute: Textlektüre und materielle Stadtkultur." Benjamin-Festival: Das Jetzt der Erkennbarkeit. Orte Walter Benjamins in Kultur, Kunst und Wissenschaft, Berlin, 19 October 2006.
71. "Urban Topography and Cultural Memory from Walter Benjamin to Durs Grünbein." Invited lecture and workshop, Department of German, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., 27-28 October 2006.
72. "Urban Memory in the Age of Globalization." Lecture, UAH Honors Forum, Huntsville, AL, 31 October 2006.

73. "Industrial Work as Urban Phantasmagoria: A Note on Benjamin and Kafka." Convention of the Modern Language Association of America, Philadelphia, 30 December 2006.
74. "Walter Benjamin and Durs Grünbein: Poetic Constellations." Class lecture, University of Antwerp, Belgium, 21 March 2007.
75. "Benjamin's Actuality: Global Cities, Politics, Media." Invited lecture, Graduiertenkolleg, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 23 March 2007.
- 76a. "Benjamin und Kafka aktuell: Metropolenkultur, Medien und interkultureller Diskurs." Invited lecture, Universität Siegen, Germany (Humboldt-Transcoop-Projekt "Kafkas Virtuelle Mediathek"), 10 July 2007.
- 76b. "Dynamischer Kinoblick und Mortifikation des Realen: Virtuelle Realitätserfahrungen bei Walter Benjamin, Franz Kafka, Thomas Mann und Durs Grünbein. Invited lecture (same as 76a.), Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, Germany, 11 July 2007.
77. "Cinematic Geographies and Literary Hegemony: Walter Benjamin and Thomas Mann on Film." Thirty-First Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, San Diego, CA, 5 October 2007.
78. "Between Hermeneutics and Avant-Garde Montage: Two Intellectual Affiliations of Benjamin's *Passagen-Werk*." Convention of the Modern Language Association of America, Chicago, 30 December 2007.
79. "Benjamin in the Teletopical City." Invited lecture, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands, 20 June 2008.
80. "Medienkonkurrenz: Schriftlichkeit, früher Film und digitale Bilderwelt." Doktoranden-/Oberseminar: Bild, Schrift, Bilderschrift (Prof. Dr. Vittoria Borsò and Prof. Dr. Bernd Witte), Heinrich-Heine-Universität, Düsseldorf, 5 July 2008.
81. "Media Competition: Ruttmann's *Berlin: die Symphonie der Großstadt* and Hessel's *Ein Flaneur in Berlin*." Conference on Berlin and Modernism, University of the South-Sewanee, 28 September 2008.
82. "Exploding the Urban Prison-World with the Dynamite of the Split Second: Technologically Mediated Travel from Benjamin to Virilio." Benjamin's Frontiers: An International Conference on Walter Benjamin, University of California, Davis, 14 November 2008.
83. "Kafka in Virilio's Teletopical City." Kafka at 125: An International Scholarly Conference, Durham/Chapel Hill, 3 April 2009.

84. "Medienapparaturen und Großstadtopographie bei Walter Benjamin." Invited Lecture, Leuphana University of Lüneburg (Seminar Prof. Sven Kramer), 12 May 2009.
85. "Medienkonkurrenz und Medienrepräsentation: Literarische Selbstlegitimierung von Thomas Mann bis Durs Grünbein." Intermedialität und mediale Dominanz II, Workshop sponsored by the Sonderforschungsbereich 626: Ästhetische Erfahrung im Zeichen der Entgrenzung der Künste, Freie Universität Berlin, 15 May 2009.
86. "Wim Wenders's *Tokyo-Ga* As Intercultural City Film: A Benjaminian Perspective." Thirty-Third Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington DC, 11 October 2009.
87. "The Aesthetic is the Age of Media Competition." Convention of the Modern Language Association, Philadelphia, 28 December 2009.
88. "Urban Topography and Cultural Memory: Berlin and Dresden After Reunification." Invited lecture, Duke University, Durham, NC, 25 March 2010.
89. "Irrsinnige Schallröhren: Musik, Radio und Grammophon in Hesses ‚Steppenwolf.‘" Magischer Einklang. Dialog der Künste im Werk Hermann Hesses. Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, 26 May 2010.
90. „Stadtarchitektur und kulturelles Gedächtnis.“ Kleine Synagoge, Erfurt, 9 June 2010
91. "“Resonanzen, Obertöne dieser Dinge’: Benjamin’s Intermedial Encounter with Rilke. Thirty-Fourth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Oakland, CA, 8 October 2010.
92. "Literature and Cultural Memory." Lecture, UAHuntsville Honors Forum, 28 October 2010.
93. "Urban Topography, Cultural Memory, and Poetic Representation." Invited lecture, University of Venice, Italy, 16 December 2010.
94. "Why Foreign Languages? Why Here? Why Now?" Lecture, UAHuntsville Honors Forum, 3 February 2011.
95. "Kulturelles Gedächtnis als topographische Selbstartikulation: Benjamin, Rilke, Grünbein." Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, Germany, 9 June 2011.
96. "Kulturelles Gedächtnis als topographische Selbstartikulation." Invited lecture, Universität Bielefeld, Germany, 16. June 2011.

97. "Der Potsdamer Platz und andere Berliner Phantasmagorien: Die Wiederkehr des spukhaft. Vergangenen im Zeitalter des Global--Kapitalismus." Konferenz Phantasmagorisches Berlin. Vor und nach dem Mauerfall, Universität Postdam, Germany, 4 July 2011.
98. "Music, Philosophy, Poetry: An Intermedial Perspective." Thirty-Fifth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Louisville, KY, 23 September 2011.
99. "Gay and Lesbian Composers, Writers, and Artists." Meeting of the Gay-Straight Alliance, UAHuntsville, 19 October 2011.
100. "Einschreibungen der Trauer: Schrift und Zeichen, Blick und Musik in Benjamins Sonetten auf C.F. Heinle." Writing and Image-Character in the Work of Walter Benjamin, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, 4 November 2011.
101. "Poetry in the Age of Digital Communication: Why Bother?" Honors Forum, UAHuntsville, 16 February 2011.
102. "Script/Writing (Schrift) in the Age of Digital Communication:Reflections on Benjamin, George, Schopenhauer, and Hölderlin." Invited lecture, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, 19 March 2012.
103. "Musik im Zeitalter ihrer intermedialen Repräsentierbarkeit: von romantischer Lyrik bis zur technologischen Reproduktion. " Invited Lecture, University of Cologne, Germany (Vorlesung Dr. Stefan Börnchen), 20 June 2012.
104. "Die Pflege des festen Buchstabens: Der Begriff der Schrift von Hölderlin über Benjamin bis Facebook. " Invited lecture, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Germany (Vorlesung Prof. Dr. Andreas Solbach), 22 June 2012.
105. "'Freudensprünge von Wort zu Ding': Musik, Visualität und poetische Schrift bei Durs Grünbein. " Conference on "Bilder, Bildlichkeit und Bildtheoretisches: Ansätze einer modernen Bild-Epistemologie im Werk Durs Grünbeins. " Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, 29 June 2012.
106. "Der Potsdamer Platz als Phantasmagorie des Interkulturellen: Berliner Vergangenheit und japanische Digitalgegenwart im Zeitalter des Global-Kapitalismus." International Conference on "Interkulturelle Schauplätze in der Großstadt," Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, 30 June 2012.
107. "Schrift, Bild, Ton: Benjamin zwischen Hölderlin und Digitalkultur." Thirty-Sixth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association. Milwaukee, WI, 5 October 2012.

108. "What is Language: Philosophy, Gender, Media, and Poetry." UAH Honors Lecture Series, 31 January 2013.
109. "Script, Image, Sound: Intermedial Transfers from Friedrich Hölderlin and Walter Benjamin to Digital Culture Today." Lecture/Workshop in the Series "Translation and Transformation: Transfer Processes across Languages, Media, and Culture," sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Madison Center for the Humanities, 25 January 2013.
- 110a. "From Postcoloniality to Global Media Culture: Reflections on Metropolitan Topography." Keynote lecture, *Re-inventing the Postcolonial (in the) Metropolis. GNEL/ASNEL Conference*, Chemnitz University of Technology, Chemnitz, 10 May 2013.
- 110b. "From Postcoloniality to Global Media Culture: Reflections on Metropolitan Topography." Invited Lecture, "Current Issues in North American Studies and Cultural Studies," Institut für Anglistik, Amerikanistik und Keltologie, 14 May 2013. (Identical with 110a.)
111. "Music, Language, and Visuality: Further Thoughts on Intermediality." UAH Honors Lecture Series, 5 September 2013.
112. "Benjamin's Music: Metaphysics, Technological Reproduction, and Cultural Function." Thirty-Seventh Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Denver, CO, 5 October 2013.
113. "What Are You Listening to? Sound, Media, and Culture." UAH Honors Lecture Series, 20 March 2014.
114. "Sonic Transpositions: Intermedial Reflections on Sound and the (Post-)Modern Metropolis." Sound Studies: Mapping the Field. 2nd International Conference of the European Sound Studies Association, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, 27 June 2014.
115. "The Promise of Personal Encounters in the Age of Technological Sound Reproduction." Encounters: A Conference at the University of Bristol, Bristol, UK, 10 September 2014.
116. "Heidegger's Noise." Thirty-Ninth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington, D.C., 3 October 2015.

Other Conference Contributions:

1. Secretary, Section on “German Literature after 1945” (“Wirtschaftswunder”).
Convention of the Northeast Modern Language Association. Philadelphia, 30
March 1984.
2. Co-Chair, Section 16: “Identitäts- und Differenzerfahrung im Verhältnis von
Weltliteratur und Nationalliteratur.” VIII. Kongress der Internationalen
Vereinigung für Germanische Sprach- und Literaturwissenschaft. Tokyo, 27
August - 1 September 1990.
3. Co-Chair, Special Session: “Kafka’s Use of the Past: Traditions, Discourse, History.”
Convention of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association. Baltimore, 12
November 1994.
4. Chair, Session 19: “Cultural Revolution and Beyond: Political Implications of
Postmodernism in Contemporary China.” 50th Annual Meeting of the Association
for Asian Studies. Washington, D. C., 27 March 1998.
5. Respondent, Session 813: “Kafka as a Critic of Literature II.” Convention of the
Modern Language Association, San Francisco, 30 December 1998.
6. Commentator, Session 30: “Representations of German and Austrian Colonialism.”
Twenty-Third Annual Conference of the German Studies Association. Atlanta, 8
October 1999.
7. Respondent, Session 771: “Kafka and Sexuality II. Convention of the Modern
Language Association, Chicago, 30 December 1999.
8. Participant, NEH Seminar “Berlin 2000: Literature, Culture, and Politics from ‘Zero
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9. Moderator, Session 77: “Reflections of National Socialism.” Twenty-Forth Annual
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10. “Culture for Business: The Case of Germany.” Workshop offered as part of the UAH
International Business Studies Initiative (with a grant from the Business and
International Education Program of the U.S. Department of Education), March 12-
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11. Moderator, Session 25: “Mahagonny: The Music 2.” Mahagonny.com: 11th
Symposium of the International Brecht Society, Berlin, 29 June 2003.
12. Organizer, Session 128: “New German Studies and the Global Metropolis: Berlin and
Its Others.” Twenty-Seventh Annual Conference of the German Studies
Association, New Orleans, 20 September 2003.

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16. Commentator, Session 186: “From Cannibals to Cyberspace: Consuming Images of Franz Kafka’s Literary Corpus.” Thirtieth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, 1 October 2006.
17. Participant, Round Table: Hypermedia Berlin, New Media, and German Studies. Thirty-First Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, San Diego, CA, 5 October 2007.
18. Commentator, Session 181: “Evolving Cityscapes Twenty Years after the Wende.” Thirty-Third Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington DC, 10 October 2009.
19. Moderator, Session 5: “Love as a Political Category in Modern German Critical Thought.” Thirty-Fourth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Oakland, CA, 8 October 2010.
20. Commentator, Session 154: “(Trans)Nationalism and the German City (5): The German Urban Condition.” Thirty-Fourth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Oakland, CA, 9 October 2010.
21. Commentator, Session 81: Music and Interdisciplinarity (2): New Historical Perspectives, Thirty-Fifth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Louisville, KY, 23 September 2011.
22. Commentator, Session 147: Music and Interdisciplinarity (1): New Theoretical Perspectives, Thirty-Sixth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association. Milwaukee, WI, 6 October 2012.
23. Moderator, Session 59: Music and Sound Studies Network (1): Music and Sound Studies: Consumption, Thirty-Seventh Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Denver, CO, 4 October 2013.

24. Commentator, Session 110: Texts and Music: Explorations of Connections and Interactions During the 19th Century, Thirty-Ninth Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington, D.C., 2 October 2015.

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1982-85: Faculty Advisor, Phi Sigma Iota, Gamma Gamma Chapter.
1982-89: Faculty Advisor, German Club.
Winter 1986/87: Member of committee examining possibilities of establishing an Honors Program.
1988/89: Member of University of Alabama System Committee on International Education.
1989-96: Member of NEH Challenge Grant/Humanities Center Steering Committee.
1992-98: Member of the Dean of Liberal Arts' Advisory Committee on International Education
Winter 1993/94-Spring 1994: Acting Department Chair.
1995-97: Member, Faculty Senate.
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2001-03: Member, BIE Initiative (collaboration between the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Administrative Science).
2002-present: Member, Humanities Center Steering Committee
2003-04: Member, University Review Board (tenure and promotion cases).
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Fall 2003: Acting Department Chair
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Fall 2010-11: Assistant Chair, Departments of Communication Arts and Foreign Languages and Literatures
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