

Curriculum Vitae

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Position Title: Professor

Education/Training

- 1990 PhD, History, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany
- 1979 MA, Latin American Studies (*Diplôme de l'Institut des Hautes Etudes de l'Amérique Latine*), Université Paris III (Sorbonne Nouvelle)
- 1979 MA, History, Université de Paris VII (Jussieu), France
- 1979 BA (*Licence*), German, Université de Paris VIII (Vincennes), France
- 1977 BA (*Licence*), History, Université de Paris VII (Jussieu), France

Positions and Scientific Appointments

- 2014 - present Professor, Department of History, University of Essex
- 2010-14 Reader, Department of History, University of Essex
- 2004-10 Senior Lecturer, Department of History, University of Essex
- 1993-2004 Lecturer, Department of History, University of Essex
- 1996-97 Research fellow, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 1992 Research fellow, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 1985-92 Lecturer (*wiss. Mitarb.*), Lateinamerika-Institut, FU Berlin, Germany

Honors

- Awards for Documentary film “*Body Games. Capoeira and Ancestry*” (UK/South Africa/Brazil, 2014)
- 2015 Public History Prize (Film Category), Royal Historical Society, London
- 2015 Intangible Culture Film Prize, 14th RAI Intern. Festival of Ethnographic Film, Bristol
- 2014 Sembène Ousmane Film Development Award, Zanzibar International Film Festival

Selected Publication

Combat Games in the Black Atlantic, 17th-19th Centuries. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Slavery and the Atlantic Slave Trade*. New York: Oxford University Press. Published online 17 April 2024

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‘Engolo and Capoeira: From Ethnic to Diasporic Combat Games in the Southern Atlantic’.



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