

## Personal information

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## Professional Experience

2015 - current      **Freelance Translator and Business English Consultant.**  
German to English translations and correction services.

2010 - 2015      **Research Assistant (Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft)/**  
Arbeitsbereich Philosophie und Theorie der Religionen, Bonn  
University, Germany.

2014 - 2016      **Bar Manager - part time.**  
Südbahnhof (Kneipe) Bonn, Germany.

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## Education

2011 - 2018      **PhD program in Philosophy and Theory of Religions**  
Universität Bonn, Bonn University, Germany. Thesis "The  
Idolatry of Philosophy: Johann Georg Hamann's Critique of his  
Contemporaries as Driven by his Notion of Philosophical  
Superstition and Idolatry".

4/2009 - 03/2010      **Master Degree Ecumenical Studies/** Protestant Theological  
Faculty in Cooperation with the Center for Religion and Society,  
Universität Bonn.

10/2005 - 02/2009      **Bachelor Degree in Theology**  
Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, Illinois.

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## Publications

- “The Notion of Work in the Thought of J.G. Hamann Pre and Post Conversion” (*Der Begriff “Arbeit” innerhalb des Gedanken Hamanns vor und nach seiner Bekehrung*), Evangelical Lutheran Theological Faculty, Comenius University in Bratislava. (Forthcoming)
- “Christianity and Aesthetics: a Case Study in the Thought of Johann Georg Hamann” (*Christentum und Ästhetik: eine Fallstudie nach den Gedanken Hamanns*), *In pluribus unitas*, Refugium Velehrad-Roma, Olomouc, Tschechien 2015. ISBN 987-80-7412-192-0

- “The Condescension of God as found in Hamann’s Biblical Meditations: a foundation for Hamann’s thought and its significance within the dialogue surrounding religious plurality” (*Die Herunterlassung Gottes im Rahmen der biblischen Betrachtungen von Hamann und ihre Bedeutung innerhalb der Diskussion über die religiöse Pluralität*), *In pluribus unum*, Greek-Catholic Theological Faculty, University of Presov, Slowakei 2012. ISBN 987-80-555-0668-5
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## **Skills**

- Language teacher: English
  - Library Digitalization
  - Computer skills: Microsoft Office
  - Guitar Teacher
  - Bar Tending
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## **Languages**

- **English:** Native Speaker
- **German:** Proficient
- **Spanish:** Beginner