

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Academic Positions

since 2014	Associate Professor , Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Colorado, Boulder
2007–14	Assistant Professor , Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Colorado, Boulder
2006–07	Visiting Professor , Oriental Seminar, Albert Ludwigs University Freiburg (on leave in Kiel)
2004–07	Senior Assistant Professor , Oriental Seminar, Christian Albrechts University Kiel
1998–2004	Assistant Professor , Oriental Seminar, Christian Albrechts University Kiel
1994–96	Research Assistant , Dept. of East Asian Studies, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich

Education

2004	PD Dr. phil. habil. , Christian Albrechts University Kiel
1998	Dr. phil. , Ludwig Maximilians University Munich
1993–98	Program in Sinology, Japanology, and Chinese Art and Archaeology, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich
1992–93	Program in Chinese Literature, Beijing University (<i>Beijing daxue</i>)
1991–92	Program in Chinese Language, Beijing Language Institute (<i>Beijing yuyan xueyuan</i>)
1989–91	Program in Sinology, Japanology, and Chinese Art and Archaeology, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich

Research Interests/Areas of Specialization

Chinese Literature: in particular early & early medieval China; literary thought and criticism; narrative and rhetoric; epistolary literature & culture; medical literature & culture

Chinese Art and Material Culture: in particular manuscript culture & popular print culture

Awards, Grants & Fellowships, Honors (Selected)

External

since 2021	Immediate Past President of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
since 2020	President of the Early Medieval China Group
2019–21	President of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
8/2012	Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Conference Grant
9–12/2011	Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship; Needham Research Institute, Cambridge (UK)
9–12/2011	Visiting Fellowship; Clare Hall, Cambridge (UK)
3/2006	Conference travel grant; German Research Council
7–8/2004	Grant of the German Academic Exchange Service; Summer School for Foreign Teachers of Chinese at Beijing Normal University
1995–97	Ph.D. scholarship; Bavarian State Ministry of Education, Culture, Science & the Arts
1/1997	Erasmus grant for Erasmus Intensive Program in Chinese Art and Archaeology, University of Oxford (UK)
1992–93	Partial grant of the German Academic Exchange Service; Beijing University
1991–92	Full grant of the German Academic Exchange Service; Beijing Language Institute

Internal

11/2022	Schwalbe Travel Grant and residency in Hazel Barnes Flat, London (UK); Center for Humanities and the Arts, CU Boulder
2/2022	Conference Travel Grant; Arts & Sciences Fund for Excellence, CU Boulder
5/2020	Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award, CU Boulder
8/2018	Provost's Faculty Achievement Award, CU Boulder
4/2018	Special Event Grant; Arts & Sciences Fund for Excellence, CU Boulder
4/2018	Seminar Series Grant; Center for Asian Studies, CU Boulder
4/2018	Conference Grant; Research & Innovation Office, CU Boulder
4/2018	Special Event Grant; Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities, CU Boulder
2017–18	Faculty Fellowship, Center for Humanities and the Arts, CU Boulder
12/2016	President's Fund for the Humanities Grant, CU Boulder
10/2016	Seminar Series Grant, Center for Asian Studies, CU Boulder
5/2016	Honorable Mention recognition, Eugene M. Kayden Book Award, for <i>Letter Writing and Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China</i>
2/2016	Conference Travel Grant; Arts & Sciences Fund for Excellence, CU Boulder
3/2015	Special Event Grant; Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities, CU Boulder
3/2015	Special Event Grant; Center for Asian Studies, CU Boulder
2/2015	Conference Travel Grant; Arts & Sciences Fund for Excellence, CU Boulder

10/2014	Schwalbe Travel Grant and residency in Hazel Barnes Flat, London (UK); Center for Humanities and the Arts, CU Boulder
3/2014	Tier 2 Event Grant; Center for Asian Studies, CU Boulder
3/2014	Kayden Research Grant for <i>A History of Chinese Letters and Epistolary Culture</i> ; CU Boulder
9/2013	Conference Travel Grant; Dean's Fund for Excellence, CU Boulder
8/2012	Special Event Grant; Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities, CU Boulder
8/2012	Special Event Grant; Dean's Fund for Excellence, CU Boulder
8/2012	Tier 1 Event Grant; Center for Asian Studies, CU Boulder
10 and 12/2011	Schwalbe Travel Grant and residency in Hazel Barnes Flat, London (UK), Center for Humanities and the Arts, CU Boulder
7–12/2010	CU Boulder in residence research semester
6/2010	Dean's summer grant, CU Boulder
4/2010	Short-term student assistance grant for <i>Letters and Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China</i> ; Center for Asian Studies, CU Boulder
1–6/2009	CU Boulder in residence research semester

Publications

Monographs

Letters and Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China. Seattle, Wash.: Univ. of Washington Pr., 2013. 235 pp. (Honorable Mention recognition, Kayden Book Awards, 2016)

Das Bild des Schlafes in der altchinesischen Literatur [Notions of Sleep in Early Chinese Literature]. Hamburger Sinologische Schriften 4. Hamburg: Hamburger Sinologische Gesellschaft, 2001. 263 pp. [Rpt. Gossenberg: Ostasien Verlag, 2015]

Edited Volumes

A History of Chinese Letters and Epistolary Culture. Handbuch der Orientalistik IV.31. Leiden: Brill, 2015. xx + 978 pp.

Bettler, Prostituierte, Paria: Randgruppen in asiatischen Gesellschaften [Beggars, Prostitutes, Pariahs: Marginal Groups in Asian Societies]. (with Anja Pistor-Hatam) *Asien und Afrika* 12. Hamburg: EB Verlag, 2008. 210 pp.

China und die Wahrnehmung der Welt [China and the Perception of the World]. (with Helmolt Vittinghoff) *Jahrbuch der Deutschen Vereinigung für Chinastudien* 3. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2007. 357 pp.

Wasser – Lebensmittel, Kulturgut, politische Waffe: Historische und zeitgenössische Probleme und Perspektiven in asiatischen und afrikanischen Gesellschaften [Water – Victual, Cultural Asset, Political Weapon: Historical and Modern Problems and Perspectives in Asian and African Societies]. (with Ulrich Hübner) *Asien und Afrika* 9. Hamburg: EB-Verlag, 2004. 292 pp.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- (under review) “Stories of Coping with Sickness in Early Medieval China: Illness Narratives in Anecdotal Literature.”
- (forthcoming) “Mistaken Identities: Negotiating Passing and Replacement in Chinese Records of the Strange.” *Early Medieval China* 29 (2023).
- “Health and Illness in the Paratext: Five Authorial Prefaces and a Letter from Early and Early Medieval China.” *Nanyang Journal of Chinese Literature and Culture* 2 (2022): 85–108.
- “Literary Criticism in the Epistolary Mode: The Cao Brothers, Hofmannsthal, Keats, and Kolmar.” *Journal of Epistolary Studies* 1 (2019): 5–37. (<https://journals.tdl.org/jes/>)
- “The Trouble with Wang Xizhi: Illness and Healing in a Fourth-Century Chinese Correspondence.” (with Charles Chace) *T'oung Pao* 103 (2017): 33–93.
- “Empty Dreams and Other Omissions: Liu Xie’s *Wenxin diaolong* Preface.” *Asia Major* 25.1 (2012): 83–110.
- “Beyond Calligraphy: Reading Wang Xizhi’s Letters.” *T'oung Pao* 96 (2011): 370–407.
- “Notions of Epistolarity in Liu Xie’s *Wenxin diaolong*.” *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 127 (2007): 143–60. [Rpt. in *Classical and Medieval Literature Criticism*, vol. 185, ed. Lawrence J. Trudeau (Farmington Hills, MI: Gale, 2017), 180–93.
- “Letters and Letter Writing in Early Medieval China.” *Early Medieval China* 12 (2006): 1–29.
- “Mit Schätzen beladen heimkehren: Der Schubkarren als glückverheißendes Motiv in volkstümlichen chinesischen Drucken [Coming Home with Riches: The Wheelbarrow as an Auspicious Motif in Chinese Popular Prints].” *Monumenta Serica* 52 (2004): 277–324.
- “Der Schlaf in der medizinischen Literatur des Alten China [Sleep in Early Chinese Medical Literature].” *Chinesische Medizin* 17.4 (2002): 154–67.

Chapters in Edited Volumes, Handbooks, Conference Volumes, Festschriften, and Miscellanea

- Konrad Herrmann, “Yang Enlin (1929–2014): Sein Leben und Werk zwischen China und Deutschland.” *Monumenta Serica* 70: 499–519. (contributor)
- “Illness Narratives in a Fourth-Century Chinese Correspondence.” In *The Polyphony: Conversations Across the Medical Humanities* (Durham University), 2022, at <https://thepolyphony.org>.
- “Teaching from the Sickbed: Ideas of Illness and Healing in the *Vimalakīrti-nirdeśa-sūtra* and Their Reception in Medieval Chinese Literature.” In *Buddhism and Healing in China and Japan: Global and Local Perspectives*. Ed. C. Pierce Salguero and Andrew Macomber. Honolulu: Univ. of Hawai‘i Pr., 2020. 57–90.
- “The World of Prose Literature.” In *The Cambridge History of China, Volume II: The Six Dynasties, 220–589*. Ed. Albert E. Dien and Keith Knapp. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2019. 597–622.
- “Three Years and Not a Word Has Faded: Reading Letters in Early Medieval Chinese Poetry.” *China Across the Centuries: Papers from a Lecture Series in Budapest*. Ed. Gábor Kósa. Budapest Monographs in East Asian Studies. Budapest: Department of East Asian Studies, Eötvös Loránd University. 61–88.

- “*Wenxin diaolong*.” In *Early Medieval Chinese Texts: A Bibliographical Guide*. China Research Monograph 71. Ed. Cynthia L. Chennault; Keith N. Knapp; Alan J. Berkowitz; and Albert E. Dien. 389–400. Berkeley: Institute of East Asian Studies, Univ. of California, 2015.
- “Introduction: The Study of Chinese Letters and Epistolary Culture.” In *A History of Chinese Letters and Epistolary Culture*. Handbuch der Orientalistik IV.31. Ed. Antje Richter. Leiden: Brill, 2015. 1–14.
- “Letters of Familial Admonition in Han and Six Dynasties China.” In *A History of Chinese Letters and Epistolary Culture*. Handbuch der Orientalistik IV.31. Ed. Antje Richter. Leiden: Brill, 2015. 239–75.
- “Wang Xizhi.” In *Berkshire Dictionary of Chinese Biography*. Ed. Kerry Brown. Great Barrington, Mass.: Berkshire Publishing, 2014, 395–405. [online at <http://www.oxfordreference.com>]
- “Wang Chong.” In *Classical Chinese Writers of the Pre-Tang Period*. Dictionary of Literary Biography 358. Ed. Curtis Dean Smith. Detroit: Gale, 2011, 199–205.
- “Xie Lingyun.” In *Classical Chinese Writers of the Pre-Tang Period*. Dictionary of Literary Biography 358. Ed. Curtis Dean Smith. Detroit: Gale, 2011, 232–46.
- “Unüberbrückbare Trennungen: Du Mus Gedicht ‘Über Nacht in einer Herberge’ [Insurmountable Separations: Du Mu’s Poem ‘Staying at an Inn’].” In *Die Fahrt zur Roten Wand: Dichtung der Tang-Zeit und ihre Deutung*. Ed. Wolfgang Kubin. Munich: Global, 2007. 101–18.
- “Die Wahrnehmung von Armut im Alten China [Perceptions of Poverty in Early China].” In *China und die Wahrnehmung der Welt*. Ed. Antje Richter; Helmolt Vittinghoff. Jahrbuch der Deutschen Vereinigung für Chinastudien 2. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2007. 1–19.
- “Familiäre Mahnbrieife: Die Herausbildung eines epistolaren Subgenres in der Han-Zeit [Letters of Familial Admonition: The Emergence of an Epistolary Subgenre in the Han Dynasty].” In *Han-Zeit: Festschrift für Hans Stumpfeldt aus Anlaß seines 65. Geburtstages*. Lun Wen: Studien zur Geistesgeschichte und Literatur in China 8. Ed. Michael Friedrich et al. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2006. 379–95.
- “Brieife und ihre Leser in der Dichtung der frühen Kaiserzeit [Letters and Their Readers in Early Imperial Poetry].” In *Aspekte des Lesens in China in Vergangenheit und Gegenwart: Referate der Jahrestagung 2001 der Deutschen Vereinigung für Chinastudien*. Ed. Bernhard Führer. Edition Cathay 54. Dortmund: Projekt, 2005. 122–44.
- “Brieife [Letters].” In *Lexikon der chinesischen Literatur*. Ed. Volker Klöpsch; Eva Müller. Munich: Beck, 2004. 44–45.
- “Flutenbändigung in der althinesischen Literatur: Der Mythos vom Großen Yu [Flood Control in Early Chinese Literature: The Myth of Yu the Great].” In *Wasser – Lebensmittel, Kulturgut, politische Waffe: Historische und zeitgenössische Probleme und Perspektiven in asiatischen und afrikanischen Gesellschaften*. Asien und Afrika 9. Ed. Ulrich Hübner; Antje Richter. Hamburg: EB, 2004. 239–68.
- “Sleeping Time in Early Chinese Literature.” In *Night-Time and Sleep in Asia and the West: Exploring the Dark Side of Life*. Ed. Brigitte Steger; Lodewijk Brunt. Richmond: RoutledgeCurzon, 2003. 24–44. [Rpt. Beiträge zur Japanologie 38. Wien: Abteilung für Japanologie des Instituts für Ostasienwissenschaften, Univ. Wien, 2006. 24–44.]

Current Projects

Interpretation & the Art of Living: Health & Illness in Early Medieval Chinese Literature. (book)

Imagining Dragons & How to Carve Them: Studies in Early Medieval Chinese Poetics. (book)

Book Reviews (Selected)

- Ptak, Roderich, ed. *Aus geteilten Zeiten: Studien zur Nanbeichao Periode*. Geburtstagsgabe für Shing Müller 宋馨. Gossenberg: Ostasien Verlag, 2020.
Journal of the American Oriental Society 141 (2021): 220–22.
- Frühauf, Manfred W. *Neunzehn Alte Gedichte* (Gushi shijiu shou 古詩十九首) *aus der Han-Zeit*. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag, 2019.
Journal of the American Oriental Society 140 (2020): 1023.
- Alexei Kamran Ditter, Jessey Choo, and Sarah M. Allen, eds. *Tales from Tang Dynasty China: Selections from the Taiping Guangji*. Indianapolis: Hackett Publishing Co., 2017; Cong Ellen Zhang, tr. *Record of the Listener: Selected Stories from Hong Mai's Yijian zhi*. Indianapolis: Hackett Publishing Co., 2018.
Journal of the American Oriental Society 138 (2018): 919–20.
- Knechtges, David R. and Taiping Chang. 2010–14. *Ancient and Early Medieval Chinese Literature: A Reference Guide*. 4 vols. Handbook of Oriental Studies IV.25. Leiden: Brill.
Monumenta Serica 64 (2016): 213–17.
- Olga Lomová, ed. 2003. *Recarving the Dragon: Understanding Chinese Poetics*. Prague: Charles Univ., Karolinum Pr.
Journal of the American Oriental Society 130 (2010): 651–52.
- Tian Xiaofei. *Beacon Fire and Shooting Star: The Literati Culture of the Liang (502–557)*. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard Univ. Asia Center, 2007.
Journal of the American Oriental Society 128 (2008): 595–97.
- Lewis, Mark Edward. *The Early Chinese Empires: Qin and Han*. Cambridge, Mass.: Belknap Pr. of Harvard U.P., 2007.
Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies 71 (2008): 585–87.
- Fiskesjö, Magnus and Chen Xingcan. *China before China: Johan Gunnar Andersson, Ding Wenjiang, and the Discovery of China's Prehistory*. Stockholm: Museum of Far Eastern Antiquities, 2004.
Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft 156 (2006): 259–61.
- Kieser, Annette. *Landadel – Emigranten – Emporkömmlinge: Familienfriedhöfe des 3.–6. Jahrhunderts n.Chr. in Südbhina*. Asiatische Forschungen 144. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2002.
Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft 154 (2004): 519–21.
- Bauer, Wolfgang. *Geschichte der chinesischen Philosophie: Konfuzianismus, Buddhismus, Daoismus*. Ed. Hans van Ess. Munich: Beck, 2001.
Internationales Asienforum (Freiburg) 33 (2002): 167–69.
- Pollard, David E. *The True Story of Lu Xun*. Hong Kong: Chinese U.P., 2002.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XX (2002): 312–13.
- Yang Xianyi. *White Tiger: An Autobiography of Yang Xianyi*. Hong Kong: Chinese U.P., 2002.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XX (2002): 301–02.
- Pattinson, David. “Zhou Lianggong and Chidu xinchao: Genre and Political Marginalization in the Ming-Qing Transition.” *East Asian History* (Canberra) 20 (2000): 61–82.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XIX (2001): 400.
- Wang Zhiqiang. *Fremdheitsprofile moderner deutscher China-Reiseführer*. Europäische Hochschulschriften I, 1744. Frankfurt a. M.: Peter Lang, 2000.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XIX (2001): 91–92.

- So, Jenny F. *Music in the Age of Confucius*. Washington, D.C.: Freer Gallery of Art, 2000.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XIX (2001): 336–37.
- Conermann, Stephan, ed. *Mythen, Geschichte(n), Identitäten: Der Kampf um die Vergangenheit*. Asien und Afrika 2. Hamburg: EB, 1999.
Internationales Asienforum (Freiburg) 32 (2001): 153–55.
- Liu Jingzhen. “Liu Xiang Lienü zhuan de xingbie yishi.” *Dong Wu lishi xuebao* (Taipei) 5 (1999): 1–30. 劉靜貞《劉向列女傳的性別意識》東吳歷史學報。
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XVIII (2000): 359–60.
- Billetter, Jean François. “Stopping, Seeing, and Language: An Interpretation of Zhuangzi’s Qiwulun.”
East Asian History (Canberra) 15–16 (1998): 1–32.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XVIII (2000): 431.
- Schmidt-Glntzer, Helwig. *Geschichte der chinesischen Literatur*. Munich: Beck, 1999.
Internationales Asienforum (Freiburg) 31 (2000): 383–84.
- Schaberg, David. “Remonstrance in Eastern Zhou Historiography.” *Early China* 22 (1997): 133–79.
Revue bibliographique de sinologie (Paris) N.S. XVII (1999): 331–32.

Invited Lectures & Conference Papers (Selected)

- (in preparation) “Narrative Structure and Silence in a Medieval Chinese Buddhist Scripture”
 Los Angeles, 3/11/2023, 233rd Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Corresponding Bodies: Presenting the Sick Self in Early Medieval Chinese Epistolary Writings”
 Sarasota, Florida, 07/1/2023, Workshop on Autobiographical Writing in the Early World, Elling Eide Research Library and Preserve
- “A Narrative Approach to Early Chinese Buddhist Prose”
 Oxford (UK), 12/1/2022, Lecture series of Pembroke College and SOAS University of London
- “Negotiating Replacement Anxiety in Medieval Chinese ‘Records of the Strange’”
 (remote) Lincoln (UK), 11/2/2022, Lincoln University, School of Humanities and Heritage Research Seminar Series
- “Debating Silence in the Vimalakirti Sutra”
 Chichester (UK), 06/28/2022, University of Chichester, 37th International Conference of Narrative
- “Notions of Sincerity and Authenticity in Liu Xie’s *Wenxin diaolong*”
 Oxford (UK), 05/19/2022, University of Oxford China Center Conversation Series, *How to understand sincerity and authenticity in premodern Chinese literature, intellectual history and manuscript culture?*
- “Outside the Southern Gate, Beyond the Eastern Gate: Reflections on Old Age and Illness in Buddhist Hagiography and Six Dynasties Poetry”
 Boston, MA, 03/19/2022, 232nd Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Mistaken Identities: Passing as Human in Medieval Chinese Accounts of the Strange”
 (remote) Charlottesville, VA, 03/11/2022, 97th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America

- “Outside the Southern Gate, Beyond the Eastern Gate: Reflections on Old Age and Illness in Buddhist Hagiography and Six Dynasties Poetry”
(remote) Berkeley, 02/11/2022, *Buddhism as/in/and Chinese Literature*, UC Berkeley, Center for Buddhist Studies
- “Almost Cut My Hair: Zooming in on a Measure of Self in Early and Early Medieval China”
(remote) 10/23/2021, Presidential Address, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “Pleading Illness in Early Medieval China: Rhetorical Strategies in Letters and Memorials”
(remote) 7/22/2021, *How to Ask: Strategies of Entreating in Medieval Eurasia*, Historisches Kolleg München (Germany)
- “Imitation, Imagination, and the Limits of Language in Ancient Chinese Poetics”
(remote) 7/3/2021, iHumanities College Summer School of Literary Theory & Philosophy 2021
- “Omitted, Obscured, or Edited Out: Health and Illness in Early Medieval Correspondence”
(remote) 3/13/2021, 231st Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Teaching the Teaching of *Vimalakirti*: Introducing Buddhist Prose to Students of Literature”
Toronto (Canada), 2/21/2020, *New Paths in the Teaching of Buddhist Studies*, Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Center for Buddhist Studies, Univ. of Toronto
- “Between Self-Care & Self-Harm: Literati Concern with Well-being in *Wenxin diaolong* and Beyond”
New Brunswick, 5/4/2019, Rutgers Univ., *13th Annual Chinese Medieval Studies Workshop*
- “First-Person Illness Narratives in Early Medieval China: Autobiography, Correspondence, Poetry”
Princeton, 4/10/2019, Princeton Univ., *East Asian Studies Program Lecture Series*
- “Writing the Sick Self in Early Medieval China”
New Haven, 3/28/2019, Yale Univ., *Council on East Asian Studies Colloquium Series*
- “Illness in the Paratext: Early Autobiographical Prefaces”
Denver, 03/22/2019, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies
- “Corresponding Spaces for Friendship”
Ithaca, 6/19/2018, Cornell Univ., Echoes of the *Lanting ji*: Luce-ACLS Collaborative Reading Workshop “Book Maniacs: Rewards and Dangers of Excessive Reading in Early Medieval Chinese Literature”
Boulder, 4/21/2018, *Philology and the Study of Classical Chinese Literature: An International Symposium on the Future of Sinology in the 21st Century*
- “Writing the Ailing Self: Autobiographical Accounts of Illness in Early Medieval China”
Pittsburgh, 3/17/2018, 228th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Sleep Desired and Denied: Narratives and Topoi in Early & Medieval Chinese Literature”
Tempe, 10/21/2017, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “The Uses of Sleeplessness: Narratives and Topoi in Chinese Late Antiquity”
Bochum (Germany), 9/27/2017, Ruhr Univ. Bochum, Käte Hamburger Kolleg, CERES, Workshop *Sleep in Classical, Late and Eastern Antiquity: A Comparative Inquiry*
- “Illness and Healing in a Fourth-Century Chinese Correspondence”
Cambridge, Mass., 4/7/2017, Harvard Univ., Fairbank Center, *Chinese Religions Seminar: Illness, Healing, and Ritual in Chinese Religion*

- “Socially Sanctioned Self-Mortification: A Facet of Violence in Ancient China”
Los Angeles, 3/19/2017, 227th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Plenary Session
- “Medical Narratives in Medieval Chinese Literature”
Berkeley, 04/30/2016, *West Coast Premodern Chinese Literature and Culture Workshop*, UC Berkeley
- “Emulating Vimalakīrti: The Rise of Sickbed Poetry in Medieval China”
Seattle, 04/02/2016, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies
- “Visiting the Sick: Textual Evidence from Early and Early Medieval China”
Boston, 03/19/2016, 226th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Making Sense of Illness and Healing: The *Vimalakīrti Sūtra* in Medieval Chinese Literature”
Vancouver, BC (Canada), 05/30/2015, Univ. of British Columbia, *Buddhism and Wellbeing: Therapeutic Approaches to Human Flourishing*, 5th Annual Tung Lin Kok Yuen Canada Foundation Conference
- “Illness and Healing in Medieval Chinese Narratives”
New Orleans, 03/14/2015, 225th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “The Literary Imagination and the Writing of Letters: Early Epistolary Fiction in China”
Oxford, 10/22/2014, Univ. of Oxford, *China Center Seminar Series*
- “Literary Uses of Correspondence: Discovering Early Epistolary Fiction in China”
Cambridge (UK), 10/15/2014, Univ. of Cambridge, Department of East Asian Studies, *China Research Seminar*
- “Literary Uses of Correspondence: Discovering Early Epistolary Fiction in China”
Cambridge, 10/6/2014, Harvard Univ., *China Humanities Seminar*
- “Letter Writing in Early and Early Medieval China: Transmitted Literature and Manuscripts”
Beijing (China), 09/12/2014, Stanford Center at Peking Univ., *Histories of Texts in Europe and Asia: The Medieval and Early Modern Periods*
- “Letter or Essay? How the Genre Shapes the Message”
New Brunswick, 5/2/2014, Rutgers Univ., *10th Annual Chinese Medieval Studies Workshop*
- “Genre Awareness in Recent Research about the Six Dynasties,”
Budapest (Hungary), 04/09–10/2014, Lecture series at Eötvös Loránd Univ.
- “Ways of Creating Memory in Medieval Letter Writing”
Philadelphia, 03/29/2014, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies
- “Structures of Memory in Medieval Letter Writing”
Phoenix, 03/14/2014, 224th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Written While Lying Ill: An Emerging Poetical Motif in Early Medieval China”
Victoria, BC (Canada), 10/03/2013, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “The Literary Uses of Correspondence: Discovering Early Epistolary Fiction in China”
New Brunswick, 5/4/2013, Rutgers Univ., *9th Annual Chinese Medieval Studies Workshop*
- “Wang Xizhi as a Correspondent: Epistolary Authenticity and Convention in Early Medieval China”
Grand Rapids, 4/8/2013, Grand Valley State Univ.
- “Wang Xizhi: Sage of Calligraphy”
Denver, 3/20/2013, Asian Arts Association, Denver Art Museum

- “Epistolary Fiction in Early and Medieval China”
Portland, OR, 03/16/2013, 223rd Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Keeping the Destructive Potential of Writing at Bay: ‘Nurturing Vitality’ in Liu Xie’s *Wenxin diaolong*”
Scottsdale, 11/02/2012, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “Writing in Genres in Early Medieval China, or: What Makes a Letter a Letter?”
Berkeley, 10/15/2012, UC Berkeley, Center for Chinese Studies, *China Colloquia Series*
- “Keeping the Destructive Potential of Writing at Bay: ‘Nurturing Vitality’ in Liu Xie’s *Wenxin diaolong*”
Paris (France), 09/08/2012, 19th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
- “Letters of Familial Admonition in the Han & Six Dynasties Periods”
Boulder, 08/17/2012, Univ. of Colorado, Workshop *Letters and Epistolary Culture in China*
- “Writing in Genres: Literary Thought in Early Medieval China”
Boston, 03/17/2012, 222nd Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Wang Xizhi as a Correspondent: Epistolary Authenticity and Convention in Early Medieval China”
London (UK), 12/7/2011, School of Oriental and African Studies, Center of Chinese Studies, *Early China Seminars*
- “Calligraphy and Beyond: The Letters of Wang Xizhi”
Edinburgh (UK), 11/30/2011, Univ. of Edinburgh, Scottish Centre for Chinese Studies
- “The Medical Narratives in Wang Xizhi’s Letters”
Cambridge (UK), 11/11/2011, Needham Research Institute, *Text Reading Seminar Series*
- “Wang Xizhi as a Correspondent: Epistolary Authenticity and Convention in Early Medieval China”
Lampeter (UK), 11/7/2011, Univ. of Wales Trinity Saint David, School of Cultural Studies
- “The Vulnerable Hero: Wang Xizhi’s Self-Representation in His Letters”
Cambridge (UK), 10/17/2011, Univ. of Cambridge, Department of East Asian Studies, *Asian Studies Seminar Series*
- “Talking about Illness in Early Medieval China”
Chicago, 03/12/2011, 221st Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Empty Dreams: Autobiographical Restraint in Liu Xie’s ‘Xu zhi’”
Riga (Latvia), 07/17/2010, 18th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
- “Aufrichtigkeit und Konvention: Glaubwürdigkeit im Ausdruck individueller Befindlichkeiten im frühen Mittelalter [Sincerity and Convention: Credibility in Expressions of Personal Sentiments in Early Medieval China]”
Munich (Germany), 28/11/2009, Annual Meeting of the German Association of Chinese Studies
- “What’s in a Cliché: Expressing Emotions in Early Medieval Chinese Letters”
Boulder, 11/11/2009, Center for Humanities and the Arts
- “What’s in a Cliché: Expressing Emotions in Early Medieval Letter Writing”
Los Angeles, 10/16/2009, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “Beyond Calligraphy: Reading Wang Xizhi’s Notes”
Chicago, 03/29/2009, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies

- “Empty Dreams: Autobiographical Restraint in Liu Xie’s ‘Xu zhi’”
Portland, OR, 10/24/2008, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “Authorial Self-Reflection in Liu Xie’s *Wenxin diaolong*”
Boulder, 09/13/2008, Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies
- “Letters of Familial Admonition in the Han and Six Dynasties Periods”
Lund (Sweden), 08/09/2008, 17th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
- “Reading Letters in Early Medieval Chinese Poetry”
Chicago, 03/15/2008, 218th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society
- “Briefkultur im frühmittelalterlichen China: Potentiale und Probleme der Forschung [Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China: Potentials and Problems of Research]”
Freiburg (Germany), 02/01/2008, Albert Ludwigs Univ. Freiburg, Oriental Seminar
- “Familial Admonitions: The Emergence of an Epistolary Subgenre in the Han and Six Dynasties”
Irvine, 10/12/2007, Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
- “Zwischen Beteuerung und Bruch: Freundschaft in der Briefliteratur des frühen chinesischen Mittelalters [Between Affirmation and Severance: Friendship in Letters of Early Medieval China]”
Freiburg (Germany), 06/11/2007, Albert Ludwigs Univ. Freiburg, PhD research group “Friends, Patrons, Clients: Practice and Semantics of Friendship and Patronage in Historical, Anthropological and Cross-Cultural Perspectives”
- “Letters and Letter Writing in Early Medieval China”
Boulder, 06/08/2007, Univ. of Colorado, Boulder, Department of East Asian Studies
- “Briefkultur im frühen chinesischen Mittelalter [Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China]”
Zurich (Switzerland), 12/06/2006, Univ. of Zürich, East Asian Seminar
- “Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China”
New York, 12/02/2006, Columbia Univ., *4th Annual Chinese Medieval Studies Workshop*
- “Bewertungen von Armut in der altchinesischen Literatur [Views of Poverty in Early Chinese Literature]”
Hamburg (Germany), 11/15/2006, Univ. of Hamburg, Asia Africa Institute
- “Notions of Epistolarity in *Wenxin diaolong*”
Ljubljana (Slovenia), 09/02/2006, 16th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
- “Li Eisenkrücke: Ein Bettler im daoistischen Pantheon [Iron Crutch Li: A Beggar in the Daoist Pantheon]”
Kiel (Germany), 07/03/2006, Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, Center for Asian and African Studies, Lecture Series *Beggars, Prostitutes, Pariahs: Marginal Groups in Asian Societies*
- “Terminological Confusion in Interpretations of *Wenxin diaolong*: The Case of *shu*”
Seattle, 03/18/2006, 216th Annual meeting of the American Oriental Society
- Die Unbehaustheit des Dichters: Ein Reisegedicht von Du Mu [The Vagrant Poet: A Travel Poem by Du Mu]”
Berlin (Germany), 12/03/2005, Annual Meeting of the German Association of Chinese Studies

- “Wovon der Meister nicht sprach: Erotische Literatur in China [Censored by Confucius: Erotic Literature in China]”
Kiel (Germany), 05/30/2005, Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, Center for Asian and African Studies, Lecture Series *The Other Library: Master Works of Asian Literature*
- “Die Wahrnehmung der Armut im Alten China [Perceptions of Poverty in Early China]”
Leipzig (Germany), 11/12/2004, Annual Meeting of the German Association of Chinese Studies
- “Epistolary Culture in the Six Dynasties”
Paris (France), 06/25/2004, Centre d’Études Chinoises de l’INALCO, Workshop *Pratiques culturelles et vie sociale sous les Six Dynasties*
- “Das Bild des Schlafes in der altchinesischen Literatur [Notions of Sleep in Early Chinese Literature]”
Bremen (Germany), 06/04/2002, Univ. of Applied Sciences of Bremen, China Institute
- “Der Mythos des Großen Yu: Flutbekämpfung als Legitimationsstrategie in China [The Myth of Yu the Great: Flood control and Legitimization in China]”
Kiel (Germany), 05/22/2002, Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, Center for Asian and African Studies, Lecture Series *Water: Source of Life, Culture & Devastation*
- “Briefe und ihre Leser in der Dichtung der Frühen Kaiserzeit [Letters and Their Readers in Early Imperial Poetry]”
Berlin (Germany), 12/01/2001, Annual Meeting of the German Association of Chinese Studies
- “Das Bild des Schlafes in der altchinesischen Literatur [Notions of Sleep in Early Chinese Literature]”
Hamburg (Germany), 08/30/2001, Univ. of Hamburg, Hamburg Sinological Association
- “Transports of Joy: The Motif of the Wheelbarrow in Chinese Popular Prints”
Berlin (Germany), 08/09/2001, 2nd International Convention of Asia Scholars
- “Sleeping Time in Early China”
Vienna (Austria), 01/05/2001, Univ. of Vienna, Workshop *The Dark Side of Life in Asia and the West*
- “The Chinese Not at Work Nor Even at Play: Notions of Sleep in Early Chinese Literature”
Edinburgh (UK), 09/10/1998, 12th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
- “Das Bild des Schlafes in der altchinesischen Literatur [Notions of Sleep in Pre-Buddhist Chinese Prose]”
Munich (Germany), 02/13/1998, Annual Meeting of the work group Junior Chinese Scholars in German Speaking Countries (China-AG)

Teaching Experience

Courses taught at universities of Kiel (1998–2006); Freiburg (2006–07);
Cambridge, UK (2011); Boulder (since 2007)

Introductory Courses

Women and the Supernatural in Chinese Literature (Boulder)

Masterpieces of Chinese Literature in Translation (Boulder)

Chinese Travel Literature (Boulder)

Reality and Dream in Traditional Chinese Fiction (Boulder)

Chinese Art & Material Culture from the Beginnings to the Middle Ages (Kiel & Freiburg)

Chinese Literature from the Beginnings to 1911 (Kiel & Freiburg)

Introduction to Sinology II: Cultural history (Kiel)

Introduction to Sinology I: Modern China (Kiel)

Language/Reading Course

Readings in Classical Chinese (Boulder)

Classical Chinese: The Nineteen Old Poems (Cambridge)

Introduction to Academic Chinese (Boulder)

Introduction to Classical Chinese (Kiel & Freiburg)

Chinese Newspaper Reading (Kiel)

Reading Chinese Archaeological Reports (Kiel)

Seminars – Pre-Modern China

Topics in Medieval Literature: Writing the Self (Boulder)

Medieval Prose: Early Buddhist Literature in China (Boulder)

Medieval Thought and Religion: An Exploration of the Vimalakīrti Sutra (Boulder)

Chinese Literary Thought (Kiel & Boulder)

Topics in Medieval Literature: Wang Xizhi (Boulder)

Topics in Medieval Literature: Accounts of the Strange (Kiel, Freiburg & Boulder)

Sinological Methods (Boulder)

Medieval Prose: Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China (Kiel & Boulder)

Early Chinese Mythology (Freiburg)

Philosophy and Tradition in the Late Han: Wang Chong's *Lunheng* (Kiel)

Han Dynasty Poetry (Kiel)

The Notion of Sleep in Pre-Buddhist Literature (Kiel)

Seminars – Modern China

The Literary Oeuvre of Qian Zhongshu (Kiel & Freiburg)

Autobiographical Witnesses from the Cultural Revolution: Literature & Film (Kiel)

Social Problems in Rural China (Freiburg)

The Depiction of Rural Poverty in *Zhongguo nongmin diaocha* (Kiel)

Letters and Essays of Bo Yang (Kiel)

Su Tong's Short Stories (Kiel)

Zhou Zuoren and May Fourth Literature (Kiel)

Professional & Teaching Activities

Organizer of the Fifth Conference of the Early Medieval China Group (EMCG) (remote)

University of Colorado, Boulder, 4/2/2022

- Invited chair and discussant in the Panel “Making History Through Literature” at the 23rd Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
Leipzig (Germany), 8/24/2021 (remote)
- Invited chair and discussant in the Panel “Aspects of Death in Early Medieval China Panel” at the 23rd Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
Leipzig (Germany), 8/25/2021 (remote)
- Invited chair and discussant at the 23rd Biennial Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies
Leipzig (Germany), 8/2020 [event cancelled]
- Invited discussant at the 14th Annual Chinese Medieval Studies Workshop
New Brunswick, 5/2/2020, Rutgers Univ. [event cancelled]
- Organizer of and presenter at the panel *Writing the Sick Self: Selfhood, Public Persona, and Illness in Early Medieval China*, Denver 03/22/2019, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies
Invited discussant at the *12th Annual Chinese Medieval Studies Workshop*
New Brunswick, 5/5/2018, Rutgers Univ.
- Main organizer of the conference *Philology and the Study of Classical Chinese Literature: An International Symposium on the Future of Sinology in the 21st Century*, Univ. of Colorado, Boulder, 4/19–21/2018, supported by Elling Eide Center and the T’ang Studies Society, as well as the following institutions at the University of Colorado at Boulder: Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities, Research and Innovation Office, Arts and Sciences Fund for Excellence, Center for Asian Studies, Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations
- Editorial advisor for the ca. 150-page entry on Liu Xie in the series *Classical and Medieval Literature Criticism* (CMLC 185), ed. Lawrence J. Trudeau (Farmington Hills, MI: Gale, 2017).
- Attendant at the *Basic Narrative Medicine Workshop*
New York, Columbia Univ., 10/28–30/2016
- Organizer and chair of the panel “Making Sense of Illness and Healing: Medical Narratives in Pre-modern Chinese Literature,” Seattle 03/30/2016, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies
- Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch, Univ. of Colorado, Boulder, 10/8–10/2015, supported by the following agencies at the Univ. of Colorado, Boulder: Department of Asian Languages & Civilizations, Center for Asian Studies, Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities, Arts and Sciences Fund for Excellence
- International Workshop *Letters and Epistolary Culture in China*, Univ. of Colorado, Boulder, 08/17–18/2012, supported by the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for Scholarly Exchange and agencies at the Univ. of Colorado, Boulder: Department of Asian Languages & Civilizations, Center for Asian Studies, Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities, Dean’s Fund for Excellence
- Organizer and chair of the panel “Calligraphy and Beyond: New Perspectives on Wang Xizhi,” Chicago 03/29/2009, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies

“Das Bild des Bettlers in der chinesischen Kunst und Literatur [Beggars in Chinese Art and Literature],” joint project dedicated to notions of poverty in art history, designed with the painter and glass artist Wolfgang Nickel (Georgenzell, Thuringia, Germany) and funded by the German federal agency Institut für Internationale Zusammenarbeit des Deutschen Volkshochschulverbandes e. V. [Institute for International Cooperation of the German Continuing Education Development Organization], Continuing Education Center Schmalkalden, 08/03/2008

Excursion to visit the exhibition “Schätze der Liao: Chinas vergessene Dynastie [Gilded Splendor: Treasures of China’s Liao Empire],” Museum Rietberg Zürich, as part of the course “Chinese Art and Material Culture” at Albert Ludwigs Univ. Freiburg, 05/17/2007

Photos published in: Steger, Brigitte. *Inemuri: Wie die Japaner schlafen und was wir von ihnen lernen können*. Reinbek b. Hamburg: Rowohlt, 2007. p. 86.

Organization of the lecture series *Bettler, Prostituierte, Paria: Randgruppen in asiatischen Gesellschaften* [Beggars, Prostitutes, Pariahs: Marginal Groups in Asian Societies], Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, Zentrum für Asiatische und Afrikanische Studien, Spring 2006

Invited participant, Second German-American Frontiers of Humanities Symposium, sponsored by American Philosophical Society and Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Hamburg, 10/20–23/2005.

Organization of the lecture series *Eine Andere Bibliothek: Meisterwerke asiatischer Literaturen* [The Other Library: Master Works of Asian Literature], Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, Zentrum für Asiatische und Afrikanische Studien, Spring 2005

Excursion to visit the exhibition “China before China,” Museum of Far Eastern Antiquities Stockholm, as part of the course “Chinese Art and Material Culture” at Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, 02/19–21/2005

Photos published in: Brigitte Steger. *(Keine) Zeit zum Schlafen? Kulturbistorische und sozialanthropologische Erkundungen japanischer Schlafgewohnheiten*. Münster: Lit, 2004. pp. 132 and 372.

Organization of the Annual Meeting of the work group “Junior Chinese Scholars in German Speaking Countries” (China-AG) at Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, 02/16–18/2001

Excursion to visit the exhibition “Das Tier in der Ostasiatischen Kunst [Animals in East Asian Art],” Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe Hamburg, as part of the course “Chinese Art and Material Culture” at Christian Albrechts Univ. Kiel, 12/07/2000

Selected Service at the University of Colorado (since 2015)

since 2022	ALC, Merit Review Committee
since 2019	ALC, Comprehensive Review Committees
since 2017	Consortium of PhD Programs in the Literatures and Cultures, Steering Committee
since 2015	ALC, Graduate Director of Chinese
since 2008	ALC, Reappointment Committees
since 2008	ALC, Search Committees
2021–22	ALC, Curriculum Committee
2019	Provost’s Faculty Achievement Awards Selection Committee
2017–22	Graduate School Executive Advisory Council

2017–20	Arts and Humanities Dissertation Fellowship Committee
2017–20	Center for Humanities and the Arts, Steering Committee
2016–19	ALC, Salary Committee
2016	Dept. of English, Reappointment Committee

Selected Professional Service & Outreach

since 2021	Immediate Past President of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
since 2020	Member of the editorial board of <i>Early Medieval China</i>
since 2020	President of the Early Medieval China Group
since 2018	Member of the editorial board of <i>The Journal of Epistolary Studies</i>
since 2014	Editor for East Asia, <i>Journal of the American Oriental Society</i>
since 2010	Reviewer for:

Journals: *Journal of the American Oriental Society*; *Tang Studies*; *Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies*; *Comparative Literature*; *Journal of Chinese Literature & Culture*; *Acta Orientalia Academiae Scientiarum Hungaricae*; *Asia Major*; *Late Imperial China*; *Comparative Literature Studies*; *Early Medieval China*; *Chinese Literature: Essays Articles Reviews (CLEAR)*; *Medieval Globe*; *Journal of Epistolary Studies*; *Nan Nü: Men, Women, and Gender in China*; *Journal of Chan Buddhism*;

Publishers: Harvard UP, Oxford UP, SUNY Press, Brill, University of Washington Press, Hong Kong UP; Cornell UP

Funding Agencies: Swiss National Science Foundation, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, Volkswagen-Stiftung;

Scholarly Associations: European Association of Chinese Studies, Early Medieval China Group;

Universities in the USA and Europe (tenure and [re-]appointment cases)

2019	Member of the Nominating Committee of the Tang Studies Society
2019–21	President of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
2017–19	Vice President of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
2016–20	Member of the executive board of the Early Medieval China Group
2011–16	Secretary-treasurer of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch
2013–15	Board of the American Oriental Society, Nominating Committee
2001–07	Board of the German Association of Chinese Studies (DVCS)
1999–2005	Maintenance of the homepage and mailing list of the work group “Junior Chinese Scholars in German Speaking Countries” (China-AG)

Memberships

Life member of Clare Hall, Cambridge (UK)	European Association of Chinese Studies
Early Medieval China Group	American Oriental Society
Association for Asian Studies	International Association of Buddhist Studies
T'ang Studies Society	Medieval Academy of America
International Society for the Study of Narrative (ISSN)	