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English Department
Universität Koblenz-Landau
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Curriculum Vitae

Date of birth: 18 January 1949

Marital status: Married with three children

Education and academic career:

First State Examination (equivalent to M.A.) in English/Philosophy (Universität des Saarlandes, 1973)

PhD scholarship from Universität des Saarlandes (1973 – 74; research at the College of William & Mary in Virginia, USA);
DAAD-scholarship for **Harvard University** (1974 – 75)

Training as Gymnasiallehrer (grammar school teacher) in Saarbrücken.
Second State Examination in 1976 (equivalent to M.A. in Educational Studies)
Teacher at several grammar schools in Saarbrücken and in northern Germany (1975 – 78)

PhD in English, Universität des Saarlandes, 1978 (Thesis on colonial American literature)

Lecturer in German, University of Bath, England (1978 – 80), and University of Aston, England (1980 – 1981)

Tenured lecturer (associate professor) in English, University of Eichstätt (1981 – 1993); two promotions in this position (1982; 1991)
Appointed professor (a.o.) in 1991

Second PhD in English, Sorbonne, 1986 (summa cum laude)
Habilitation in English, Sorbonne, 1987
(Thesis on erotica of the Enlightenment)

Appointed University Professor of English at University Koblenz-Landau (Campus Landau): 1993

Special distinctions and awards:

Research grants for the “habilitation” by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft [German Research Council] (1980 – 82)

Elected Fellow of the Salzburg Seminar in American Studies: 1986

Elected best German scholar (under the age of 40) in Eighteenth-Century Studies by the **ISECS-Seminar** in Berlin (**Fellow of Wissenschaftskolleg** zu Berlin): 1989

Plenary Speaker at the Annual Jonathan Swift Seminar (Celbridge, Ireland, 1991)

Chairman of seminars (twice) and speaker at several annual meetings of the American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (1985 – 1994)

Plenary Speaker at the annual meeting of the **Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies** (1997)

Guest lectures (c. 50) at many universities in America, Canada, Europe and Africa, including Princeton, UCLA, Stanford, University of Vermont, Queen’s University, Université Laval (Québec), University of Victoria, Sorbonne, Nanterre, Regensburg, Münster, Dresden, Greifswald et al.

Job offers as university professor in English by Université de la Réunion (1992); Universität Dortmund (1993); Université de Metz (1996); Universität Flensburg (2001)

Appointed “**Distinguished Visiting Harris Professor**” at Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., spring term 1998.

Appointed **Visiting Fellow** at the Clark Library, UCLA, Los Angeles (CA), 2001

Proposed for the Canadian Government Award (Diefenbaker Award) by the University of Victoria (December 2002)

Languages (spoken and written): French, English, German