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Education and Certifications

Doctor of Philosophy in German, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana. Dissertation: "Kafka's Turn to Technology: Intersections of Modern Science and Literature in the Works of Franz Kafka." Dissertation Advisor: Prof. Jennifer M. William. December 2011.

Master of Arts in German, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana. Primary area in German Literature, secondary area in Second Language Acquisition. May 2005.

Diplom Wirtschaftsdeutsch International, C1 level business German exam, Goethe Institute Language Department, Chicago, IL. April 2004.

Bachelor of Arts in German, Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky. Major in German Language and Literatures, minors in Music and Philosophy. August 2002.

International Experience

Lecturer (Lehrbeauftragter). Englisch Seminar (English Department), Albert-Ludwigs-Universität, Freiburg, Germany. 2007-2008.

Undergraduate Study Abroad in Munich, Germany. Earned undergraduate degree credit through the Kentucky Institute for International Studies at Murray State University. Summer 2002.

Undergraduate Study Abroad in Bregenz, Austria. Earned undergraduate degree credit through the Kentucky Institute for International Studies. Summer 2001.

Publications

Baumer, Jason. Rev. of *The Wall*, by H.G. Adler, trans. Peter Filkins. *Shofar* 33. 3/4 (2015): 141-143. Print.

Baumer, Jason. "Die Aeroplane in Brescia". *The Literary Encyclopedia*. 29 August 2013. [<http://www.litencyc.com/php/sworks.php?rec=true&UID=35004>].

Baumer, Jason. "Air Kafka: On Flying Machines and the Anti-Heroes of Early Modern Flight." *Turns und Trends der Literaturwissenschaft: Literatur, Kultur und Wissenschaft zwischen Nachmärz*

und Jahrhundertwende im Blickfeld aktueller Theoriebildung. Eds. Christian Meierhofer and Eric Scheufler. Zurich: germanistik.ch, 2011. 242-263. Print.

Harmann, Anke and Harald Lemke, eds. *Culture / Nature: Art and Philosophy in the Context of Urban Development*. Trans. Helmut Bredigkeit and Jason Baumer. Berlin: Jovis, 2009. Print.

Baumer, Jason. Rev. of *Hans Magnus Enzensberger: Writing, Media, Democracy*, by Alasdair King. *Colloquia Germanica* 40. 3/4 (2007): 337-38. Print.

Baumer, Jason. Rev. of *Kafka: Leben, Schreiben, Machtapparate*, by Oliver Jahraus. *Colloquia Germanica* 39. 3/4 (2006): 414-16. Print.

Funding

Purdue Research Foundation Summer Research Grant recipient, Purdue University. Summer 2009.

Dissertation Fellowship Recipient, Dept. of English, Albert-Ludwigs Universität, Freiburg, German, Summer 2007 and Winter 2008 semesters.

Presentations and Guest Lectures

Beginning German Online, Committee for Institutional Collaboration, Big Ten German Heads and Coordinators Annual Meeting, Purdue University, Spring 2016.

Introduction, screening, and discussion moderation of film "Das Schloß" (1997, director Michael Haneke) at Dept. of German and Russian's German Movie Night, Fall 2013 Semester.

"The Execution Apparatus and the Mechanics of Ethical Theater." GER 644, Seminar in German Expressionism, Prof. Jennifer William, Purdue University, Fall 2011.

"Mindreading: Mental Mechanisms in Anna Seghers's *Der Ausflug der toten Mädchen*." German Studies Association Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, Fall 2011.

"Now Read This: Teaching Reading in the Beginning German Classroom." Teacher's Toolbox Conference, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University, Fall 2010.

"On the Role of Nature and the Environment in *Bahnwärter Thiel*." Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, University of Kentucky, Spring 2010.

"The Woodcut and the Execution Apparatus: On Kafka's *In the Penal Colony* and Woodcuts of German Expressionism." K: Kafka Revisited, Yale University, Spring 2007.

"The German Puzzler." Teacher's Toolbox Conference, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University, Spring 2007.

"Reading Nietzsche in Toni Morrison's *The Song of Solomon* and Ralph Ellison's *The Invisible Man*." Purdue University, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Graduate Symposium, Spring 2005.

"On Heidegger's Ontology." Purdue University, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Graduate Symposium, Spring 2003.

Courses Taught

Translation: Theory and practice, (GER 596), Purdue University, advanced undergraduate and graduate seminar on Translation Theory and German to English translation./

German Level VIII, (GER 402), Purdue University, German Major and Minor required course.

German Level VII, (GER 401), Purdue University, German Major and Minor required course.

Nature and the Environment in German Literature and Thought, (GER/ENG/CMPL 230, German literature course taught in English translation). Purdue University, Fall 2012. Cross-listed German/English/Comparative Literature.

Introduction to the Study of German Literature,(GER 241, taught exclusively in German). Purdue University, Fall 2009 and Spring 2010. German major and minor required course.

Translation Intermediate (Sprach-praktische Übung). Englisches Seminar, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität, Freiburg, multiple sections in 2007-08 Winter Semester and 2008 Summer Semester.

German Level VI, (GER 302). Purdue University, Spring 2017. German major and minor required course.

German Level V, (GER 301). Purdue University, Spring 2013. German major and minor required course.

German Level II Online, (GER 102), distance-learning course offered in multiple semesters 2014-2018.

German Level I Online, (GER 101), distance-learning Course offered in multiple semesters 2014-2018.

Intermediate German: Levels III and IV, (GER 201, 202). Purdue University, offered in multiple semesters, 2002-2018.

Beginning German: Levels I and II, (GER 101, 102). Purdue University, offered in multiple semesters, 2002-2018.

Teaching Awards

2010 Graduate School Excellence in Teaching Award, Graduate School, Purdue University.

2010 Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University.

2009 Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University.

2007 Purdue University Graduate Student Award for Outstanding Teaching, Committee for the Education of Teaching Assistants, Purdue University.

2006 Outstanding Teaching Award, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University.

2003 Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University.

Academic Appointments

Continuing Lecturer and Course Coordinator in German. Department of German and Russian, School of Languages and Cultures, Purdue University, Fall 2014--present.

Director of Foreign Language Placement Testing Lab for French, German, Latin, Japanese, Russian, Spanish, and Heritage Spanish, School of Languages and Cultures, Purdue University, Fall 2014--present.

Limited-Term Lecturer in German and German Language Coordinator for GER 101, 102, 201, and 202, Department of German and Russian, School of Languages and Cultures, Purdue University. 2013--2014.

Limited-Term Lecturer in German, Department of German and Russian, School of Languages and Cultures, Purdue University. Spring 2012-Spring 2013.

Service

School of Languages and Cultures Instructional Equipment Taskforce member, Fall 2018-Spring 2019.

Languages and Cultures Head Search Committee member, Fall 2017-Spring 2018.

College of Liberal Arts Grade Appeal Committee Member, Spring 2015.

Committee for Institutional Collaboration, German Department Heads and Coordinators Conference, Indiana University, Spring 2015.

Search Committee Member, German Visiting Assistant Professor, Spring 2015.

Director of German TA Orientation Program, Dept. of German and Russian, School of Language and Cultures, Fall 2011, 2013, Fall 2014-Fall 2018 semesters.

Curriculum Committee Course Proposal of a 300-level German conversation course by submitting proposal to School of Languages and Culture's Curriculum Committee; proposal submitted and approved Spring 2013.

Teaching Award Committee Member, School of Languages and Cultures, Purdue University, 2010-2012.

Panel Chair, Graduate Symposium, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University, Spring 2009.

Co-Organizer, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Graduate Symposium, Purdue University, Spring 2003.

German Section Graduate Representative, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University, 2002-2003.