

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Profiles

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Academic Profile

Areas of Interest Integrating History and Philosophy of Science, Early Modern Philosophy, Kant, Neo-Kantianism, and Pre-History of the Scientific World View of the Vienna Circle

Academic Milestones

Mar. 2020–Feb.2023 University Assistant at the Centre for the History of Science, University of Graz (50%)
Dec. 2019–Nov. 2021 Senior Researcher in the project *Kantian Rationality and its Impact in Contemporary Science, Technology, and Social Institutions* (No. 2019-220-07-5933), PI: Prof. Thomas Sturm (50%)
Mar. 2019–Feb. 2020 Senior Researcher at the Academia Kantiana, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University, Kaliningrad (100%)
Dec. 2017–Mar. 2019 University Assistant at the Department of Philosophy, University of Graz. Working area: History of Philosophy (100%)
Feb. 2013–Jan. 2017 University Assistant at the Department of Philosophy, University of Graz. Working area: History of Philosophy (50%)

Academic Education

2013–2017 PhD Studies of Philosophy at the Department of Philosophy, University of Graz (with distinction), Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Udo Thiel
2008–2017 BA and MA Studies of History at the Department of History, University of Graz and the University of Vienna (with distinction)
2008–2013 Teacher Training Program for the Subjects: History, Social Studies and Political Education / Psychology and Philosophy at the University of Graz and the University of Vienna (with distinction)
2007–2012 BA and MA Studies of Philosophy at the Department of Philosophy, University of Graz and University of Vienna

Research Statement

My research is primary in the history of philosophy, in particular 18th and 19th Century Philosophy. In doing so, however, I strive to work in an analytically informed manner. In terms of traditions and thinkers, my research areas include Early Modern Philosophy (especially Newton, Maupertuis, Hume, Wolff), Kant, German Idealism, and neo-Kantianism (especially Helmholtz, Riehl, Cassirer). I also have longstanding

interests in *Integrating History and Philosophy of Science*, especially in philosophy of chemistry and psychology.

One of the most important scientific results of my studies was my book *Der transzendente Grundsatz der Vernunft. Funktion und Struktur des Anhangs zur Transzendentalen Dialektik der Kritik der reinen Vernunft* which was published in 2018/19 and released in the series *Kantstudien Ergänzungshefte* (de Gruyter). After my PhD thesis, I worked on Kant's account of natural science, and published papers in high-caliber journals as well as a special issue (together with T. Sturm) in the journal *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*.

Going forward, I have become interested in the history of the concept of idea from Kant to Fries. In the publishing house de Gruyter, I will release (together with G. Stiening) a two-volume anthology on this topic.

In recent years, my work has more narrowly focused on problems of critical realism especially Helmholtz's and Riehl's *Criticism*. The questions that I have been pursuing most recently are: To what extent can Kant's transcendental idealism be the basis for a critical realism? How can a psycho-physical monism be developed starting from Kant? What is the significance of philosophical criticism for the positive sciences?

In further studies, I aim to discern how the foundations for a *scientific philosophy* were laid in the transfer from the 18th to the 19th century focusing on philosophers like Newton, Euler, Maupertuis, Kant and J. R. Mayer, Helmholtz, Riehl, Schlick.

Ten Most Important Publications

1. **Book** *Der transzendente Grundsatz der Vernunft. Funktion und Struktur des Anhangs zur Transzendentalen Dialektik der Kritik der reinen Vernunft*. Berlin, New York: De Gruyter (Studies on Kant. Supplement Issues 207) 2018/19. [2nd Edition as Paperback, Berlin, New York: De Gruyter 2020] DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110623611>
2. **Journal Article** "Die Raum- und Zeitlehre Alois Riehls im Kontext realistischer Interpretationen von Kants transzendente Idealismus". *Kant-Studien* 113,3 (2022), 459–486. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/kant-2021-0031>
3. **Journal Article** "Immanuel Kant's Theory of Objects and its Inherent Link to Natural Science". *Open Philosophy* 1,2 (2018), 342–359. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/opphil-2018-0025>
4. **Journal Article** (with Josef Hlade), "Zwischen Universitätsreformen und katholischer Renaissance. Alois Riehl und die Nachfolge Ernst Machs". *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 99,2 (2022), 293–328. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1163/18756735-00000159>
5. **Journal Special Issue** (with Thomas Sturm), "The Uses of Reason in Kantian Philosophy of Science", *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science* (2022). URL: <https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/studies-in-history-and-philosophy-of-science/special-issue/10JS88XBKRH>
6. **Journal Article** "Between *Old* and *New Teleology*. Kant on Maupertuis' *Principle of Least Action*". *Open Philosophy* 5,1 (2022), 265–280. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/opphil-2020-0196>
7. **Historical Critical Edition** *Alois Riehl: Der Philosophische Kritizismus und seine Bedeutung für die positiven Wissenschaften*. Bd. 1: *Geschichte und Methode des philosophischen Kritizismus*. Ed. by Rudolf Meer. Hamburg: Meiner (Philosophische Bibliothek) 2023 [followed by vol. 2.1 (2024) and volume 2.2 (2025)]. URL: <https://meiner.de/philosophische-bibliothek/der-philosophische-kritizismus-und-seine-bedeutung-fur-die-positive-wissenschaft.html>
8. **Journal Article** "The Logical Origin of the Transcendental Ideas. Kant's Derivation of the Concepts of Reason and its Logical Roots in the Early Modern Era". *Logique & Analyse* 63 (2020), 131–146. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.2143/LEA.249.0.3288092>
9. **Journal Article** "The Principle of the Transcendental Deduction. The First Section of the Deduction of the Pure Concepts of the Understanding and its Relation to the Subsequent Section(s)". *Revista de Estudios Kantianos* 4 (2019), 44–62. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.7203/REK.4.1.14339>
10. **Essay/Edition** (with Josef Hlade), "Alois Riehl – Leben, Werk und Wirkung". In: Rudolf Meer/Giuseppe Motta (eds): *Kant in Österreich. Alois Riehl und der Weg zum kritischen Realismus*. Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter (Meinong-Studies) 2021, 3–54. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110747379-001>