

Curriculum Vitae 2019

Prof. Dr. Natalia Waechter

Educational History

03/2017	Habilitation in Social Pedagogy, University of Graz
04/2004	PhD-Graduation in Sociology (summa cum laude), University of Vienna
08/02-11/02	Doctorate Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
2000-2002	Post-graduate Program in Sociology; Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna
06/1996	Graduation in Sociology und Political Science, University of Vienna

Professional Experience

Since 07/2019	<i>Tenure Track Professor in Social Pedagogy</i> at the University of Graz, Austria, Institute for Educational Sciences, Department of Social Pedagogy (BA program in Pedagogy, MA program in Social Pedagogy and Doctoral School in Educational Sciences)
Since 1/2020	<i>EU-Project Leader ySKILLS</i> , Ludwig-Maximilian-University Munich (LMU München), Germany
10/2016-03/2019	<i>University Professor in Education and Youth Research</i> (“Pädagogik mit dem Schwerpunkt Jugendforschung”, W2) at the Ludwig-Maximilian-University Munich (LMU München), Germany, Department of Pedagogy and Rehabilitation, “Lehrstuhl für Allgemeine Pädagogik und Bildungsforschung” (BA program “Pädagogik/Bildungswissenschaft”, MA program “Pädagogik mit Schwerpunkt Bildungsforschung und Bildungsmanagement”, and „Lehramtsstudiengänge“)
10/2013-09/2016	<i>University Professor in Social Pedagogy</i> at the University of Graz, Austria, Institute for Educational Sciences, Department of Social Pedagogy (for BA program in Pedagogy, MA program in Social Pedagogy and Doctoral School in Educational Sciences)
09/2009-12/2015	Lecturer in Sociology and Anthropology at the Institute for European Studies (IES Abroad Vienna), Vienna/Chicago
03/2013-08/2013	Guest Researcher at the University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu, Karelian Institute (FP7 project “EUBORDERSCAPES. Bordering, Political Landscapes and Social Arenas”)

01/2010-09/2013	Senior Researcher at the Institute for Advanced Studies, Department of Economics and Finance, Vienna (acquiring, implementing and coordinating international and national projects (e.g. FP7 project “ENRI-East: Interplay of European, National and Regional Identities”; FP7 project “EUBorderregions”); chairing and presenting at international conferences; writing publications; supervising post-graduate students)
02/2010-09/2012	Lecturer in Youth Studies and Empirical Methods at the University of Innsbruck, Department for Educational Sciences, Austria
02/2007-02/2014	Lecturer at the University of Vienna, Department for Sociology and Department for Education and Human Development, Austria
07/2007-12/2007	Post-doc Researcher at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Department of Psychology, USA
02/2003-12/2009	Senior Researcher/Project Leader at the Austrian Institute for Youth Research, Vienna (acquiring, implementing and coordinating international and national projects (e.g. FP6 project “Up2Youth”, FP5 project “EUYOU PART”); chairing and presenting at international conferences; writing publications; supervising undergraduate and post-graduate students; head of editorial board of journal of youth research; conception and organization of yearly international conference)
05/2002-07/2002	Research Assistant, Institute of Sociology, University of Vienna
01/2001-12/2001	Research Assistant, Institute for Research on Qualification and Training of the Austrian Economy, Vienna

Professional and Editorial Affiliations

Since 2019	Executive Board member of the <i>European Society for Research in Adult Development</i> (ESRAD)
Since 2019	Head of the <i>Sektion Technik- und Mediensoziologie</i> of the <i>Austrian Association of Sociology</i>
Since 2018	Treasurer/Executive Board member of the Sociology of Youth (Research Committee 34), <i>International Sociological Association</i> (ISA)
Since 2018	Editorial Board member of <i>Youth and Globalization</i> (Brill)
Since 2018	Member of <i>Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie</i> , <i>Sektion Jugendsoziologie</i> und <i>Sektion Bildungssoziologie</i>
Since 2016	Editorial Board member of <i>Emerging Adulthood</i> (Sage)
Since 2016	Editorial Board member of <i>Österreichische Zeitschrift für Soziologie</i> (Springer)
Since 2015	Advisory Board member of the <i>Slovak Journal of Political Science</i>
Since 2015	Member of the <i>Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood</i> (SSEA)

Since 2015	Member of the <i>Austrian Association of Research and Development in Education (ÖFEB)</i> , member of the networks <i>Sozialpädagogik</i> and <i>Medienpädagogik</i>
Since 2014	Member of the <i>Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN)</i>
Since 2012	Member of the <i>European Sociological Association (ESA)</i> and the Research Network <i>Youth and Generations</i>
2010 – 2018	Vice-President (for Europe and the Russian Federation) of the Sociology of Youth (Research Committee 34) of the <i>International Sociological Association (ISA)</i>
2009 – 2010	Member of the Scientific Committee of FP7 project <i>INCLUSO</i>
Since 2007	Collaborator of the <i>Children’s Digital Media Center (CDMCLA)</i> , University of California, Los Angeles
2006 – 2010	Member of the Executive Board of the Research Committee 34 (Sociology of Youth), <i>International Sociological Association (ISA)</i>
2007- 2009	Member of the <i>Western Psychological Association (WPA)</i> , USA
Since 2006	Member of the <i>Austrian Association for Sociology (ÖGS)</i>
2004 – 2009	Chief Editor of the Journal for Youth Research <i>facts</i>

Fellowships and Grants (international und national)

2015	Erasmus+ Teaching-programme at the London South Bank University (LSBU)
2009 + 2005	“QMSS 2” (Quantitative Methods in Social Science 2) – Grant, funded by the European Science Foundation (ESF), 2009 at the University of Ljubljana and 2005 at the University of Oxford
2007	“Post Doc Fellowship”, funded by the Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Culture (BMBWK), at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
2007	Price of the European Science Foundation (ESF): Winner of the QMSS Short-visit-competition for Structural Equation Modeling
2003	Grant “Wissenschaftsförderung”, funded by the City of Vienna, MA7, Wissenschafts- und Forschungsförderung, at the Austrian Institute for Youth Research, Vienna
2000-2002	Post-graduate fellowship in Sociology at the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna
2002	“Stipendium für kurzfristige wissenschaftliche Arbeiten im Ausland”, Doctorate scholarship for dissertation, funded by the University of Vienna, at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Department of Sociology
1993	Scholarship for Master Thesis, Fieldwork in Los Angeles, San Francisco/Berkeley, Seattle and New York City, USA, funded by the University of Vienna

International Research Projects

ySKILLS. The impact of technological transformations on children and youth (2020 – 2023): funded by the European Commission (Horizon 2020); Project Coordination: Leen D’Haenens, University of Leuven, Belgium; National Lead Germany: Natalia Waechter, Ludwig-Maximilian University (LMU) Munich; Budget LMU: 219,000 EUR

Jugend, Migration und Bildung II. Bildungsentscheidungen und Bildungsverläufe mit Schwerpunkt Übergang in die Sekundarstufe 1 und 2 (2020 – 2022): Joint project: University of Graz und Ludwig-Maximilian University Munich; Project coordination: Natalia Waechter, University of Graz.

ARAB TRANSITIONS. Political and Social Transformations in the Arab World (2013 – 2016): funded by the European Commission (FP7); Project coordinator: Christian Haerper, University of Aberdeen, UK; National principal investigator: Natalia Waechter (University of Graz). Budget University of Graz: 129,000 EUR

EUBORDERREGIONS. European Regions, EU External Borders and the Immediate Neighbours. Analysing Regional Development Options through Policies and Practices of Cross-Border Co-operation (2011-2014): funded by the European Commission (FP7); Project coordinator: James Scott, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu

ENRI-East: Interplay of European, National and Regional Identities (2008-2011): funded by the European Commission (FP7); project coordination: Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna (Alexander Chvorostov and Natalia Waechter). Total budget: 1,700,000 EUR

Up2Youth: Youth - Actor of Social Change (2006 - 2009): funded by the European Commission (FP6); project coordinator: Institute for Regional Innovation and Social Research (IRIS); national principal investigator: Natalia Waechter (Austrian Institute for Youth Research). Total budget: 866,000 EUR/Budget Austria: 34,942 EUR

Use of Social Networking Sites by Adolescents and Emerging Adults (2007 – 2008): funded by the Children’s Digital Media Center (CDMC) of the University of Los Angeles (UCLA) and the Californian State University, Los Angeles (CSULA). Coordinated by Kaveri Subrahmanyam, Californian State University, Los Angeles (CSULA).

The Socioeconomic Scope of Youth Work (2006 - 2007): funded by the European Commission and the Council of Europe; project coordinator: Institut für Sozialarbeit und Sozialpädagogik e.V. (ISS); national principal investigator: Natalia Waechter (Austrian Institute for Youth Research). Total budget: 97,225 EUR

New Communities - New Identities? A study of territorial identities of young people at the Austrian Slovak Border (2004-2005), funded by the Austrian National Bank (OeNB); in collaboration with Comenius University Bratislava; national principal investigator: Natalia Waechter (Austrian Institute for Youth Research). Total budget: 55,000 EUR
