

Curriculum Vitae

1966-73 study of philosophy, logic & philosophy of science, mathematics, history of science at the Universities of Heidelberg (1966-68), of Bowling Green (Ohio) (1969-70) and of Munich (1968-1978)

M.A. (1973) and PhD (1978) in philosophy at the University of Munich (Institute for Philosophy, Logic & Philosophy of Science). Minors in logic & philosophy of science and history of science

Habilitation in Philosophy (1989) at the University of Göttingen

1973-1995 various academic positions at the Universities of Munich, Bielefeld (at the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research), Free University of Berlin, Göttingen, and Freiburg (1989-1995: associate professor for Logic, Semantics and Philosophy of Science)

1995-2001 Professor of Philosophy of Science and Nature at the Humboldt University Berlin

2001-2014 professor and chair of philosophy (emphasis on logic and philosophy of science)

Guest professorships at the University of Geneva (1988) and the University of Ulm (1991), Visiting Scholar (financed by the DFG) at Princeton University, 1998/99 invited as Visiting Fellow at the Center for Philosophy of Science of the University of Pittsburgh, PA. 2006 and 2009 guest professor at the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brasil and 2007-08 guest professor at the École normale supérieure in Paris, France

Research focus

Main focus: History of Philosophy of Science, especially physics, sensory physiology and psychology in the 19th and early 20th centuries. I am one of few scholars in Germany working in this area. The field is flourishing internationally, especially in the Anglo-Saxon countries (cp. <http://hopos.org>), but increasingly also in the EU, just not in Germany!

Areas of interest: causality and probability, philosophy of experiment, measurement, modelling in the sciences, Logical Empiricism, history of formal logic. Furthermore: Analytic Philosophy, philosophical logic, philosophy and history of the mind-body-problem, philosophy of cognitive science, epistemology