

CV – Dr. Christa Wirth

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Present Affiliation

2013	Oberassistentz (Lehrstuhl Prof. Dr. Monika Dommann), University of Zurich (UZH); Habilitation Project: Understanding the Philippines: Chicago, Manila, and the Creation of Postcolonial Knowledge
2012	Doctorate in History (summa cum laude), University of Zurich (UZH), “Familial Memories of Migration, Italianness, and Everyday Life: Descendants of Italian Immigrants to the U.S., 1900-2011” Advisors: Prof. Dr. Carlo Moos, UZH Prof. Donna Gabaccia, Ph.D., University of Toronto, Scarborough
2004	M.A. in Media Studies, Modern History, and International Law. M.A. Thesis in Modern History (summa cum laude), UZH

Professional Experience in Academia

2016	Post-Doctoral Fellow at German Historical Institute in Washington, DC, August/September
2016	Co-Initiator of Network “Transnational History” Switzerland
Since 2015	Associate of the Center “History of Knowledge”, ETH Zurich/UZH
Since 2014	Representative of the Alliance of Academic Assistance in the Department of History (HS), UZH
2012/2013	Postdoctoral Teaching Assistant, Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, Harvard University
2011/2012	Teaching Fellow/Advisor in the Studies of Women, Gender, and Sexuality (WGS), Harvard University
2008-2011	Visiting Fellow in the History Department, Harvard University (Advisor: Sven Beckert, Laird Bell Professor of History, Harvard University)
2007/2008	Representative of the Alliance of Academic Assistance, HS, UZH
2007/2008	Academic Assistant (library, finances and teaching), HS, UZH
2006/2007	Academic Assistant to Prof. Dr. Carlo Moos, Head of HS, UZH; Contributing Editor of weekly newspaper “Der Glattaler”
2004/2005	Teaching Assistant to Prof. Dr. Carlo Moos, HS, UZH; Contributing Editor of weekly newspaper “Der Glattaler”

Teaching Experience

2016	Instructor of BA-Seminar “Atlantic Migrations: 15 th – 20 th Century”, undergraduates, HS, UZH, fall
2015	Instructor of BA-Seminar “The US-Empire: Colonial and Postcolonial Presence in the Philippines,” undergraduates, HS, UZH, fall
2014	Instructor of proseminar “Introduction to academic writing,” undergraduates, HS, UZH, spring

2013	Instructor of proseminar “Methods, Theories, and Historiography in History,” undergraduates in history, HS, UZH, fall
2012/2013	Postdoctoral Teaching Assistant “Introduction to German Language and Culture,” Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, Harvard University, instructor: Lisa Parkes
2012	Advisor to Junior Tutorial Thesis (98r) in WGS, Harvard University, instructor: Caroline Light, spring
2011	Teaching Fellow “General Education: The Romance: From Jane Austen to Chick Lit” in WGS, Harvard University, instructor: Linda Schlossberg, fall
2008	Instructor of proseminar “Introduction to History” (methodology of historical research), undergraduates, HS, UZH, spring
2007	Instructor of proseminar “Introduction to History” (methodology of historical research), undergraduates, HS, UZH, spring

Teaching Skills Diploma

2013	Coaching for Lecturers (3 x 3h), UZH
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Guest Lectures

2009	Presentation of dissertation and introduction to oral history in Seminar 34k, “Italian-Americans: History, Literature, Identity,” Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, Harvard University, spring
2004	Lecture “Introduction to Women’s and Gender History” in proseminar “Hitler in Italy–Mussolini in Germany,” undergraduates in history, HS, UZH, fall

Invited Presentations

2014	“Translating the Revolution? Schiller’s Tell and Philippine Nationalism” Presented in Research Colloquium of Department of Iberian and Latin American History, and Department for North American History. University of Cologne, Germany, June
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Organized Conferences and Panels (most recent)

2016	Co-organizer of Conference “Transnational Swiss Histories”, University of Lausanne, October
2016	Co-organizer of and panel moderator at “Transnational Histories of Switzerland”, University of Zurich, March
2015	Organizer and presenter “International Workshop: The Circulation of (Post)Colonial Knowledge: A Transpacific History, 1800-1980.” HS, UZH, March 13 and 14
2015	Organizer and moderator of panel “Ist der Strafvollzug in der Krise? Ein Vergleichender Blick in die USA nach den Protesten von Ferguson (Wissen in Gesellschaft, Nr. 3), Center “History of Knowledge” (ETH Zurich/UZH) Cabaret Voltaire, Zurich, May
2011	Organizer (together with Eric Payseur, York University, Canada) and member of panel on “(Re)Constructing Ethnic Identity Among Migrants and Their Descendants: Cutting Through Generations.” Annual Meeting of the American Historical

	Association (AHA), Boston, MA, January
2010	Organizer (together with Eric Payseur) and member of panel on “Historical Approaches to Transnational Ethnic Identities.” European Social Science History Conference (ESSHC), Ghent, Belgium, April

Conference/Colloquium Presentations and Panel Participation (most recent)

2016	“Die Chicago und Manila Schools: Postkoloniales Wissen im Kalten Krieg“, University of Basel, October
2016	Panelist “Wilhelm Tell in Manila“ at IZFG (Interdisziplinäres Zentrum für Geschlechterforschung), University of Berne, October
2016	“Translating the Revolution: Wilhelm Tell in the Colonial Philippines” Presented at Conference “Transnational Histories of Switzerland”, University of Lausanne, October
2016	“Understanding the Philippines: Chicago, Manila, and the Creation of Postcolonial Knowledge in the Cold War” at GHI Colloquium, September
2016	Paper Commentator on Panel “Sexuality and the Other: Asymmetries of power in erotic fantasies and sexual encounters in the 20th century” at Swiss National History Conference, University of Lausanne, June
2016	“Close Ties: An American Anthropologist Family and the Ifugao in the Philippines” Presented in Geschichtskontor, UZH, April
2015	Commenting Paper on “Grenzenloser Sex? Westdeutscher Sextourismus, Globalisierung und soziale Transformation 1970-1995“ by Ulrike Schaper; Workshop „Politische Anatomien: Intersektionale Perspektiven auf Körper und politische Ordnungen im 19. Und 20. Jahrhundert,“ Organization UZH, University of Vienna, FU Berlin, UZH, October
2015	“The Promise of New Media: A Postcolonial Perspective,” Conference “The Good Years: Historical Trajectories, 1980-2010,” History of Technology, ETH Zurich, HS, UZH, Monte Verità, Ascona, Switzerland, June
2015	“The U.S. Peace Corps as a Science Experiment in the Postcolonial Philippines,” International Workshop: The Circulation of (Post)Colonial Knowledge: A Transpacific History, 1800-1980, HS, UZH, March
2014	“Whose Nationalism Is It Going to Be? Battling over the Meaning of Philippine Nationalist José Rizal,” John-F.-Kennedy-Institute, History Department, Freie Universität Berlin, Tutzing, Germany, February
2009	“I wanted to be a Yankee! Ethnic Identity Constructions in a U.S. Family of Italian Heritage,” Annual Meeting of Canadian Historical Association, Ottawa, ON, May
2009	“Imagining the Home Country: Intersecting Memories of Class, Generation, and Gender” Presented at John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Manhattan, NY, April
2009	Dissertation project presentation in: “Immigration and American Life,” instructor: Denise Khor, Harvard Department of History. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, November

Prizes, Awards, Grants, Funding (most significant)

2016	Post-Doctoral Fellowship of GHI
2015	Grant from Swiss National Science Foundation (ETH Zurich/UZH) for

	Organization International Workshop “The Circulation of (Post)Colonial Knowledge: A Transpacific History, 1800-1980,” HS, UZH
2015	Grant from Center “History of Knowledge” for above workshop
2014	Travel and Research Grant, Deanship of Faculty of Arts and Sciences, UZH
2014	Travel Grant, HS, UZH
2013	Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, spring
2012	Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, fall
2009-2011	Recipient of Swiss National Research Scholarship (Stipendium für angehende Forschende, SNF)
2009	Recipient of UZH Grant (Forschungskredit), declined upon receiving Swiss National Scholarship
2008	Fellowship for 2008 Trans-Atlantic Summer Institute in European Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis
2007/2008	Recipient of Salomon David Steinberg-Stipendien-Stiftung, Zurich

Editorial Responsibility

2002-2004	Editor of ROSA – Zeitschrift für Geschlechterforschung (Journal of Gender Studies), HS, UZH
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Media

2014	Commentary: U.S. civil rights movement on Swiss national TV “10vor10: Wurzeln des Rassismus” on August 20
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Publications

Double Blind Peer-reviewed Monograph

2015	Memories of Belonging: Descendants of Italian Migrants to the United States, 1884–Present. Brill: Leiden, Boston 2015
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Double Blind Peer-reviewed Articles

submitted	Transpacific Behavioral Science: A Cold War History
submitted	Schiller in the Pacific: A History of Translation
2015	Why the Hyphen? Individual and Collective Memories of Italianness in the United States at the Intersection of Class and Generation. In: Immigrants and Minorities
2013	Memory and Migration: Research. In: Ness, Immanuel (ed.). <i>The Encyclopedia of Global Human Migration</i> , Volume IV. Hoboken, NJ 2013, pp. 2158-2164

Peer-reviewed Article

2003	Maccaroni, Cheese, Olive Oil – He had the Best. In: Roas: Die Zeitschrift für Geschlechter-forschung, pp. 6-8
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Peer-reviewed Book Chapter

forthcoming	Movements, Sites, and Encounters of (Post)colonial Knowledge in and of the Pacific. In: Middell, Matthias (Ed.). <i>Handbook of Transregional Studies</i>
2010	Der “American Dream” in den Erzählungen der Nachkommen eines italienischen Migrantenpaares: Ein Werkstattbericht. In: Boesen, Elisabeth,

	Lenz, Fabienne (eds.). Migration und Erinnerung. Migration et mémoire: Methoden und Konzepte der Forschung. Méthodes et concepts de recherche. LIT-Verlag: Berlin et al. 2010, pp. 105-136
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Reviews

2015	Fischer-Tiné, Harald. Pidgin Knowledge. Wissen und Kolonialismus. Zurich, Berlin 2013. Review in: <i>H-Soz-und Kult</i> : http://www.hsozkult.de/publicationreview/id/rezbuecher-23222 >
2011	Guglielmo, Jennifer. Living the Revolution: Italian Women's Resistance and Radicalism in New York City, 1880-1945. Chapel Hill, NC 2010. Review in: <i>WorkingUSA: The Journal of Labor and Society</i> , 14, 2011/3, pp. 429-430