## Supervising of Doctoral Theses

## by Prof. Dr. Reingard M. Nischik

## a) Completed/Published PhD Dissertations

- 1. Schubert, Susanne. *Die Kürzestgeschichte: Struktur und Wirkung* (completed 1996; published 1997 by Peter Lang)
- 2. Arich-Gerz, Bruno Friedrich. Lesen Beobachten: Modell einer Wirkungsästhetik mit Thomas Pynchons Gravity's Rainbow
  - (completed 2000; published by Universitätsverlag Konstanz in 2001; today Assistant Professor ("Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter") at the Department of Language and Communication of the University of Aachen)
- 3. Rosenthal, Caroline. *Narrative Deconstructions of Gender in Works by Audrey Thomas, Daphne Marlatt, and Louise Erdrich* 
  - (completed 2001; published by Camden House in Columbia, SC, in 2003; today Professor and Chair of American Literature at the University of Jena)
- 4. Rapp, Claudia. *Mapping Contemporary Literature from Hawai'i: Context, Development, Themes, and Forms* 
  - (completed 2004; published by Verlag Dr. Müller in 2008; today writer, translator, and editor in Berlin)
- 5. Ferguson, Stefan. Translating Margaret Atwood into German: A Study of Translation as Cultural Transfer
  - (completed 2005; Award of the City of Konstanz for the best PhD dissertation of the academic year at the University of Konstanz; published on microfiche; today senior teacher ("Oberstudienrat") of English and French and vice-principal of the high school ("Gymnasium") at the Bildungszentrum Markdorf)
- 6. Meurer, Ulrich. *Topographien: Raumkonzepte in Literatur und Film der Postmoderne* (completed 2005; published by Fink in Munich in 2007; Award of the City of Konstanz for the best PhD dissertation of the academic year at the University of Konstanz; today Interim Professor at the Central European University, Wien)
- 7. Lang, Annette (née Müller). Bildungskonzeptionen in nordamerikanischer Universitätsprosa
  - (completed 2006; published online; today senior teacher ("Oberstudienrätin") of English and Latin at a high school ("Gymnasium") in Konstanz)
- 8. Gruber, Eva. Humor in Contemporary Native North American Literature: Reimagining Nativeness
  - (completed 2006; published by Camden House in Rochester, NY, in 2008; today tenured Assistant Professor ("Akademische Rätin") of North American Literature at the University of Konstanz)

- 9. Röckl, Barbara. Through a Glass, Darkly: The Mirror Metaphor in Texts by Richard Wright, James Baldwin, Ralph Ellison
  - (completed 2006; published by Peter Lang in 2009; today personal advisor to the managing director of research at the University of Kiel)
- 10. Banita, Georgiana. Narrative Ethics and Literary Culture after 9/11

  (completed 2009; published by the University of Nebraska Press in Lincoln, NB,
  - in 2012; today research fellow of the Volkswagen Foundation at the Trimberg Research Academy, University of Bamberg)
- 11. Müntefering, Nicola. *Willa Cathers Kurzprosawerk: Eine erzähltheoretische Analyse* (completed 2009; published by Peter Lang in 2010; today radio moderator on SWR 3)
- 12. Teodorescu, Carmen Otilia. Re-Writing Love: North American Love Poetry of the Twentieth Century
  - (completed 2009; published by Wissner Verlag in Augsburg in 2010; today lecturer of North American Literature at the University of Konstanz)
- 13. Breitbach, Julia. Analog Fictions for the Digital Age: Literary Realism and Photography in Novels after 2000
  - (completed 2009; published by Camden House in Rochester, NY, in 2012; today consultant for Academic Staff Development at the University of Konstanz)
- 14. Giehmann, Barbara. Writing the Northland: Jack London's and Robert Service's Imaginary Geography
  - (completed 2009; published by Königshausen & Neumann in Würzburg in 2010; today business development manager in Augsburg)
- 15. Schricker, Regine. Ohnmachtsrausch und Liebeswahn: Weiblicher Masochismus in Literatur und Film des 20. und 21. Jahrhunderts
  - (completed 2010; published by Königshausen & Neumann in Würzburg in 2011; today editor and freelance journalist in Frankfurt)
- 16. Freitag, Florian. The Farm Novel in North America: Genre and Nation in the United States, English Canada, and French Canada, 1845-1945
  - (completed 2011; published by Camden House in Rochester, NY, in 2013; today Professor of American Studies at the University of Duisburg-Essen)
- 17. Petermann, Emily. The Musical Novel: Imitation of Musical Structure, Performance, and Reception in Contemporary Fiction
  - (completed 2012; published by Camden House in Rochester, NY, in 2014; today teacher of English and mentor at Schule Schloß Salem)
- 18. Cleju, Alina. *Negotiating the Artist: A Study of American and Canadian Artist Stories* (completed 2012; published by Südwestdeutsche Verlag in Saarbrücken; today teacher of English at Education First in Oxford, United Kingdom)
- 19. Hafner, Stephanie. The Location of Chinese North American Ethnicity in Vancouver and San Francisco Fiction

- (completed 2012; published by Königshausen & Neumann in Würzburg in 2013; today Language Consultant North America at the Goethe Institute in Washington, DC, USA)
- 20. Kannenberg, Christina. Seasonal Nordicity in Montreal Fiction: Representations of North
  - (completed 2016; today Policy Analyst Government of Canada, Quebec, Canada)
- 21. Mack, Bettina. *Historiographic Metafiction in North America: A Comparative Approach* 
  - (completed 2019; published online in 2021; today Content and Media Manager and Science Writer at the Zürcher Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften in Winterthur, Switzerland)
- 22. Mendez, Eva. 'And Write She Did': Prerequisites for Women's Writing in the Writer Narratives of Virginia Woolf and Alice Munro
  - (completed 2019; published by Königshausen & Neumann in Würzburg in 2022; today Public Relations Director at KHG, Konstanz)
- 23. Flock, Orla. *The Dual Artist Novel: Subverting Genre and Gender*(completed 2022; published by Metzler in Berlin in 2023; today Company Partner, Senior Consultant, Coach, and Project Manager at K.O.M. in Allensbach)
- 24. Schmidt-Weihrich, Alena. *Interdependencies: A Comparative Study of National Mythologies and Multiculturalism in the United States and Canada* (completed 2022; published by Königshausen & Neumann in Würzburg in 2023;
  - today study advisor (Studienreferentin) for Media Design at the Duale Hochschule Baden-Württemberg in Ravensburg)
- 25. Gengler, Bianka. "The American Dream and the City of Angels: America's Prevailing National Myth in Contemporary Los Angeles Fiction" (completed 2023; today Consultant for Student Marketing at the University of Freiburg)
- 26. Kaplitz, Ingrid. "Food as a Marker of Cultural Identity and Social Class in Contemporary Multicultural North American Literature" (completed 2024)
- 27. Schmitt, Katrin. "Beginning after the End: Trauma and Narrative in Twenty-First-Century North American Post-Apocalyptic Fiction" (completed 2024; today Forschungsreferentin/Research Support Officer at the University of Konstanz)
- 28. Stocklöv, Alina. "Liminality and the City in Contemporary New York Fiction" (completed 2024; today Coordinator for Erasmus+ and UK Partnerships, International Office, University of Konstanz)

## b) Current PhD Dissertations

29. Weimann, Elvira. "To Vanish Off a Page: Endings in the Short Stories of Alice Munro"