

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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Ulli Vilsmaier is a Geographer by training and an internationally experienced expert in inter- and transdisciplinarity. She is specialized in designing, accompanying, implementing and evaluating boundary-crossing research and develops methods for boundary work and integration. She has large experience with research and higher education development worldwide and particular interest in transformations of academic institutions. Her dialogue orientation aims at personal and professional growth of people and communities while constituting spaces for intercultural and inter-institutional learning and transformative research.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

since 01/2021	Adjunct apl. Professor, Leuphana University Lüneburg and Member of the Responsive Research Collective as consultant for inter- and transdisciplinary research and higher education
10/2021 – 12/2021	Fellow at tdAcademy, Zentrum für Technik und Gesellschaft, TU-Berlin
10/2019 – 12/2020	Visiting Scholar at the Institute of Philosophy and the Sciences of the Art, Faculty of Humanities and Social Science, Leuphana University Lüneburg
since 2018	Associate Postgrado en Ciencias de Sostenibilidad, Universidad Autónoma de México, Mexico
10/2017 – 09/2019	Deputy Professor for Transdisciplinary Methods (W2), Methodology Center and Faculty of Sustainability, Leuphana University Lüneburg
11/2015 – 12/2020	Adjunct faculty member of the School of Sustainability, Arizona State University and Institute for Global Sustainability and Cultural Transformation
10/2011 – 09/2017	Junior Professor for Transdisciplinary Methods (W1), Methodology Center and Institute for Ethics and Transdisciplinary Sustainability Research, Leuphana University Lüneburg

01/2007 – 09/2011	Academic Assistant in Geography, Department of Geography and Geology, Unit Social Geography, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg
10/2007 – 08/2008	Associate with KommEnt, Gesellschaft für Kommunikation und Entwicklung (Society for Communication and Development), Salzburg
01/2001 – 12/2006	Academic Assistant in Geography, Department of Geography, Regional and Development Research, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg
07/2002 – 06/2006	Scientific Coordinator of the transdisciplinary teaching research project <i>Leben 2014</i> – prospects for regional development in the Hohe Tauern/ Oberpinzgau National Park Region, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg
01/2000 – 12/2000	Research Associate in the project: Urban growth in Latin America and its Sustainability, Institute of Geography, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg
02/2000 – 07/2000	Scientific support of the Gasteinertal Railway mediation process (freelance)
07/1999 – 01/2000	Lecturer and Coordinator of university partnership projects at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua León, León, Nicaragua
04/1998 – 06/1999	Associate in alpine regional development projects, Austria (freelance)
07/1997 – 03/1998	Lecturer at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua León and initiator of an inter-sectoral center for GIS, León, Nicaragua

## EDUCATION

10/2004 – 03/2009	Doctoral program at the Faculty of Natural Sciences, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg, Dr. rer.nat. Thesis title: <i>Überräumlichkeit: A contribution to the anthropological constitution of space. Viva: 18 March 2009 (with distinction)</i>
10/1990 – 03/1997	Diploma in Geography, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg, Mag. rer.nat Thesis title: Alpine mountain farming. A situation analysis on land use and agricultural support measures using Grossarl Valley as an example. Diploma: 17 March 1997 ( <i>with distinction</i> )
10/1986 – 06/1990	Bad Hofgastein National High School, Bad Hofgastein, Austria Graduation: 19 June 1990

## ACADEMIC FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES

- Presidential Committee Appointee for Inter- und Transdisciplinarity, Leuphana University Lüneburg (2015 – 2017)
- Member of the University Senate, Leuphana University Lüneburg (2016 – 2017)
- Member of the Equal Opportunities Commission, Leuphana University Lüneburg (2012 – 2016)
- Head of the Center for Methods, Leuphana University Lüneburg (2014 – 2015, rotating)
- Member of the Institute Governing Panel of Geography, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (2001-2005)
- Responsible for inter- and transdisciplinary teaching modules: Inter- and Transdisciplinary Perspective (Complementary Studies, Leuphana Bachelor), Transdisciplinary Projects (Master Sustainability Science), Methods of Knowledge Production and Cognition (Studium Individuale, Leuphana Bachelor), Knowledge Regimes (Studium Individuale, Leuphana Bachelor)

- Member of the Leuphana University Lüneburg system accreditation and the accreditation of the Studium Individuale study program, Leuphana University Lüneburg
- Member of numerous search committees, Leuphana University Lüneburg, Faculty of Sustainability and Faculty of Education
- Initiator and convener of the international *Td Summer School: Research at the Science – Society Interface* and *Inter- and transdisciplinarity in Action (ITA)* Workshop series at Leuphana University Lüneburg; Universidad de la República, Uruguay; Universidad de Valparaiso, Chile; Universidad Veracruzana, Mexico; Tbilisi State University, Georgia; University of Applied Arts Vienna, Austria; Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México; Universidad del Valle, Guatemala (2012-ongoing)
- Development of new and revision of existing study programs at Leuphana University Lüneburg (Studium Individuale, Master Sustainability Science, Complementary Studies Bachelor, Master)
- Development of transdisciplinary research based learning courses and integration to curricula of Bachelor study programs in Geography, Sociology and Communication Science, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg
- Development of the inter-faculty study program Global Studies and transition to the Bologna declaration standards for study programs in Geography and Global Studies, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg
- Consultancy, accompaniment, trainings, workshops and evaluations for universities, departments, research and study programs in transforming towards inter- and transdisciplinarity: International Science Council; Egyptian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research; Swiss Center for Design and Health; Institute for Peace and Security Studies Hamburg, Germany; University of Lagos, Nigeria; University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka; Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico; Universidad de Valparaiso, Chile; Universidad de la República, Uruguay; Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México; Research Institute for Humanities and Nature Kyoto, Japan; Center for Gifted Education and Research, Austria; Institute for International Development, University of Vienna, Austria; University of Education Karlsruhe, Germany; University of Innsbruck, Austria.

## REVIEWER FOR FUNDING INSTITUTIONS AND JOURNALS

### Funding Institutions:

International Science Council, France; Social Science and Humanities Research Council, Canada; Israel Science Foundation; Swiss National Science Foundation; Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Germany; Bavarian State Ministry of Education, Science and the Arts; European Cooperation in Science & Technology (COST); Academy of Science South Africa; Austrian Science Fund; Leibniz Gemeinschaft e.V. Germany; Sparkling-Science, Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Education, Austria; Volkswagen Foundation, Germany; City of Vienna, Austria; Berlin University Alliance, Germany; Einstein Foundation, Germany.

### Scientific Journals:

Ecology and Society, Sustainability Science, GAiA, Futures, Environment and Planning, Mixed Methods Research, Studies in the History of Philosophy of Science, Educational Research and Review, Biological Conservation, Sustainability, Action Research Journal, Elementa, Environmental Science and Policy, Kotuitui: New Zealand Journal of Social Sciences; Ecological Economics, Journal for Transdisciplinary Research in Southern Africa, Environmental Development, Journal of South East Asian Studies, American Meteorological Society, Sustainability Communication, Sustainable Development, People and Nature, Social Epistemology, Responsible Innovation.

## VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS AND GUEST LECTURES

- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Posgrado en Ciencias de Sostenibilidad, Mexico (11/2023)
- Universidad de la República, Espacio Interdisciplinario, Uruguay (8-12/2022)
- École Polytechnique Fédéral de Lausanne (EPFL), Human Environment Relations in Urban Systems, Swizerland (3-6/2020)
- Tbilisi State University, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Georgia (10/2019)
- Universidad Autónoma de México, Postgrado Ciencias de la Sustentabilidad, Mexico (11/2018)
- El Colégio de la Frontera Sur, Mexico (11/2018)
- Universidad del Valle, Centro de Estudios en Salud, Guatemala (11/2018)
- Universidad Veracruzana , Department of Educational Research, Mexico (3/2018)
- Universidad de Valparaíso, Doctorado en Estudios Interdisciplinarios, Chile (3/2017)
- University of Vienna, Department of Geography and Regional Research, Austria (06-07/2016)
- Universidad de la República, Espacio Interdisciplinario, Uruguay (3/2016)
- West University of Timisoara, Department of Geography, Romania (11/2008; 10/2010)
- University of Habana, Faculty of Geography, Cuba (10/2008)
- Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg, Germany (10/2007)
- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua León, Nicaragua (7-12/1997; 8-12/1999)

## ACADEMIC PARTNER- AND MEMBERSHIPS

2022 to present	Initiator of the Responisve Research Collective and and vice-president of the Responsive Research Association
2019 to present	Co-initiator and founding board member of the Global Alliance for Inter- and Transdisciplinarity (ITD Alliance)
2015 to present	Chairwoman of the scientific advisory board, Paulo Freire Center, Vienna
2014 – 2016	Member of the scientific advisory board, Yousef Jameel Academic Program, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
2005 – 2011	Member of the development policy advisory board of the Department of Salzburg, Austria
2009 – 2010	Initiator, university partnership: Paris Lodron University of Salzburg – Universidad de la Habana, Cuba
2001 – 2010	Coordinator, university partnership: Paris Lodron University of Salzburg – Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua León, Nicaragua

## LANGUAGES

German (mother tongue), English, Spanish (excellent), Italian, French (very good)