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In my studies, teaching and research, I explore the diverse relations between politics, religion and belonging as well as between human development and violent conflict in South Asia. I am also interested in historically built-up bureaucratic cultures. Methodologically, I combine sociological, anthropological and psychological approaches, working mostly in Hindi/Urdu.

- 2010→ University of Oxford: **Associate, Contemp. South Asia Studies** (CSASP)
- 2010→ Universität Bielefeld: **Doctoral Candidate in Social Anthropology** (BGHS)
- thesis on the formation of Muslim belonging in a North Indian town
  - supervised by Joanna Pfaff (Bielefeld) and Lucia Michelutti (London)
  - fieldwork in affiliation with Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- 2010–2011 Universität Marburg: **Research Fellow in Comparative Politics and International Development Studies**; teaching and research responsibilities
- 2009–2010 University of Oxford: **Master in Contemporary India** (MSc; grade: 70)
- courses from anthropology to environmental studies; options: Hindi, Urdu
  - dissertation about Indian diplomatic culture at the example of Farakka
- 2006–2009 Universität Marburg: **Diplom in Political Science** (MA equiv; grade: 1,0)
- minors: sociology, peace and conflict studies; option: Hindi
  - empirical thesis on Muslim peace activists in Gujarat, India
  - fieldwork in 2008 while studying development and anthropology at the School for International Training / AIIS, Jaipur (GPA: 4,0)
- 2004–2006 Universität Marburg: **Vordiplom in Political Science** (BA equiv; grade: 1,0); minors: sociology, peace and conflict studies; option: theology

Since 2006, I obtained **three Cusanus scholarships** (German federal competitive scholarships for 1% top batch), **two DAAD scholarships** and several small grants from various bodies.

I am currently a member of the German Research Network Religion and Conflict at FEST, the German Association for Asian studies (DGA), the British Association for South Asian Studies (BASAS) and the European Association for South Asian Studies (EASAS).

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PUBLICATIONS (detailed list at <http://writing.raphael-susewind.de>)

My publications include **one monograph** (“Being Muslim and working for peace”, forthcoming from Sage, New Delhi), **three articles** (two of them refereed – in Journal of International Relations and Internationales Asienforum), **one chapter** in an edited volume, **six book reviews** (for ASIEN, Contemporary South Asia and Internationales Asienforum) and a number of manuscripts which are published electronically (some of them in my **weekly blog**) or are still under review. I also presented **eleven papers** at national and international conferences, and contributed to seminar workshops in India, Pakistan, Germany and the UK.

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TEACHING PORTFOLIO (detailed list at <http://teaching.raphael-susewind.de>)

In Marburg and New Delhi, I taught roughly 200 contact hours since 2007, in **six undergraduate classes** in comparative politics (on democracy in South Asia) and research methods (on academic skills, fieldwork, and independent study projects) as well as in **one graduate class** in comparative politics (on religion and politics), both German and English medium; all classes have been evaluated as good or very good. In my teaching, I strive to encourage regular academic writing in peer groups to strengthen students' analytical skills.

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#### SELECTED ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2000→ co-organizing several congresses in continuing education, **Burg Rothenfels**
- 2010: "Beyond lobbyism: A fresh look at health reform"
  - 2009: "Desertification: War, migration and climate change"
  - earlier: "Consecration: Economy and eucharist"; "War and peace"
- summer 2008 internship at the **German Embassy, Dhaka**, Bangladesh
- preparing diplomatic strategies on climate change
  - coordinating projects for the promotion of democracy
- summer 2007 internship at the **development agency Misereor**, Aachen
- developing policies on religion and conflict
  - regional focus: South Asia and Middle East
- 2005–2007 fundraising and project management for earthquake relief in Pakistan (volume 18.000 Euro; vocational training through CARAVAN, Mingora)
- 2005–2007 member of the council of the **Catholic University Parish**, Marburg
- spring 2005 internship at the **local NGO CARAVAN**, Mingora, Pakistan (in a UNDP-financed project on sustainable forestry)
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#### LANGUAGES AND METHODOLOGICAL SKILLS

- German mother tongue
- English fluent (*TOEFL iBT score 116, i.e. 97%, testing in 2007*)
- Hindi & Urdu intermediate (*level B2 according to EU framework, certified 2010*)

Frequent use of OpenOffice and Microsoft Office, statistical analysis with SPSS and R, qualitative analysis with maxQDA, Ethno-ESA and other software, layout with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub>ε</sub>

Certificate in participatory need assessment, basic mediation training, insights in project design with LogFrames, regular coordination of non-profit teams and conference proceedings