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First State Examinations ('Erste Lehramtsprüfung'): March 1961

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working as a teacher at various Bremen schools: April 1964 - July 1970 assistant professor ('Assistent') of political education at the 'Pädagogische Hochschule Bremen' (Bremen Teachers' Training College): April 1970 - April 1973 assistant professor of political education at the University of Bremen ('Universität Bremen'): April 1973 - July 1981

doctorate of social science (dissertation on the development and relevance of the shop-steward movement within the German Metal Workers' Union): July 1978 instructor of political education at Bremen Institute of Teachers' Education (this state institute is in charge of qualifying graduates having passed their First State Examinations to prepare for their Second State Examinations): April 1981 - July 1992 associate professor ('Hochschuldozent') on the pedagogical of political education at University of Bremen / Department of Political Science: since August 1992

My scientific interest is mainly focused on the didactical question which intentions, perspectives, dimensions, concepts of political and social education should be favored (and, of course, be developed and implemented!) according to the process of social changes impacting on the conditions of especially young people's political socialization.

Publications (a selection):

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