

# KATHARINA GRAF | CURRICULUM VITAE

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Cultural anthropologist with expertise in food, gender, digitalisation, STS, urban space, knowledge reproduction, resource management, global markets, poverty, and a regional focus on North America and Europe, especially Germany, and the Middle East and North Africa, especially Morocco.

## **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

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- 2021– Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Institut für Kulturanthropologie und Europäische Ethnologie, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2020– Research Associate, Department of Anthropology & Sociology, SOAS University of London and at College of Social Sciences and International Studies, University of Exeter
- 2016-2020 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, SOAS Food Studies Centre, SOAS
- 2017-2018 Senior Teaching Fellow, Department of Anthropology & Sociology, SOAS
- 2014-2016 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology & Sociology, SOAS
- 2010 Intern and Consultant, Convention Project to Combat Desertification, Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ), Bonn
- 2009 Student Assistant, Department of Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management, Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn
- 2008 Student Assistant, GLOWA-Impetus Project, Geografisches Institut der Universität Bonn
- 2008 Student Assistant, Development and Cultural Geography Research Group, Geografisches Institut der Universität Bonn

## **EDUCATION**

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- 2016 PhD Anthropology & Sociology, SOAS
- 2011 MA Social Anthropology, SOAS
- 2009 *Diplom* Geography, subsidiary subjects: Cultural Anthropology and Urban Planning, Universität Bonn
- 03-06/2007 MA Tourisme, Patrimoine et Développement Durable (non-degree student), Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakech
- 2007 *Vordiplom* Geography, subsidiary subjects: Cultural Anthropology and Urban Planning, Universität Tübingen

## **SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS**

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- 2022 Visiting Scholarship, MIT Anthropology, Cambridge (Massachusetts)
- 2020– Postdoctoral Fellowship, ‘Cyborg Cook: Domestic Cooking in the Digital Age’ (role: PI), Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 2016-2020 Postdoctoral Fellowship, ‘The Price of Bread as a Measure of Urban Stability’ (role: PI), AXA Research Fund
- 2016 RAI/Sutasoma Award in recognition of the potentially outstanding merit of PhD research, The Royal Anthropological Institute (RAI)

- 2015 Bloomsbury and UCL ESRC DTC Funding Scheme for innovative doctoral training activities (with G. Baldinelli, Z. Boni, A. Cohen and H. Roberson)
- 2012 Additional Award for Fieldwork, SOAS University of London
- 2011-2016 Doctoral Scholarship, Studienförderwerk Klaus Murmann, Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft (sdw)
- 2010-2011 Scholarship for Graduates Abroad, Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD)
- 2010 Valedictorian, Annual Graduation Ceremony, Universität Bonn

**RESEARCH**

- 2021– Social and Ethnographic Research (ongoing), Principal Investigator (Germany)
- 2017-2018 Ethnographic Research (4 months), Principal Investigator (Morocco)
- 2012-2013 Ethnographic Research (12 months), PhD research, Marrakech (Morocco)
- 2008-2009 Ethnographic and Hydrological Research (3 months), Diplom dissertation research, GLOWA-Impetus Project, Middle Drâa Valley (Morocco)
- 08-10/2008 Team Research (1 month), University research project with GTZ GmbH in Addis Abeba, Sustainable Use of Natural Resources for Food Security (SUN) Project (Ethiopia)
- 08-09/2006 Team Research (1 month), University research project, rural development and water management survey, Departamento Cochabamba (Bolivia)

**TEACHING**

- 2022– BA and MA dissertation supervision, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2021 ‘Ernährung, Körper und Gesellschaft’, BA Kulturanthropologie und Europäische Ethnologie, Senior Teaching Fellow, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2020-2021 ‘Food and Technology’, MA Science and Technology Studies, Senior Teaching Fellow, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2018 ‘Faculti’ teaching video, online publication (restricted access). URL: <https://faculti.net/beldi-matters-negotiating-proper-food-urban-moroccan-food-consumption-preparation/>
- 2017-2018 ‘Anthropology of Food’, MA Anthropology of Food, Senior Teaching Fellow, SOAS
- 2017-2018 BA and MA Dissertation supervision, SOAS
- 2014-2019 Food Forum (weekly seminar series), SOAS Food Studies Centre, four guest lectures
- 2014-2016 ‘Introduction to Social Anthropology’, BA Social Anthropology, Graduate Teaching Assistant, SOAS
- 2014 Teaching qualification according to ‘Professional Development in Higher Education Programme’ (PDHEP), UK Professional Standards Framework, SOAS

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS**

- 2023 Co-organiser, SOAS Food Studies Centre writing retreat ‘Beyond Terroir’
- 2022 Co-organiser, SOAS Food Studies Centre virtual workshop ‘Beyond Terroir’
- 2017– Academic Professionalisation (writing grant proposals), graduate and doctoral student training, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt & SOAS
- Associate Book Reviews Editor, Society for the Anthropology of Food and Nutrition (SAFN) Online Blog, American Anthropological Association (AAA)
- Reviewer, College of Expert Reviewers, European Science Foundation (ESF)

2017-2018	Co-convenor, Anthropology of Food Network, European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)
2016-2018	Panel co-organiser, European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA) conferences, Milan (2016) and Stockholm (2018)
2014-2017	Co-organiser, Annual SOAS Food Studies Centre Postgraduate Research Workshop, 2 days incl. professionalisation workshop and ‘Action Learning’ session (2014, 2015, 2017)
2014-2016	Peer reviewer, Graduate Journal of Food Studies, Graduate Association for Food Studies
2013-2014	Graduate Teaching Assistant representative, Anthropology & Sociology, SOAS
2010-2011	Student representative, SOAS Food Studies Centre Board, SOAS Representative of MPhil students, Anthropology & Sociology, SOAS
2009	Volunteer, 7th Open Meeting of the International Science Conference on the Human Dimensions of Global Environmental Change, United Nations University (UNU), Bonn
Languages:	German; English and French (proficient); Arabic, Italian and Spanish (conversational)
Memberships:	European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA), EASA Anthropology of Food Network, Society for the Anthropology of Food and Nutrition (SAFN) of the American Anthropological Association (AAA), Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), Deutsche Gesellschaft für empirische Kulturwissenschaft (DGEKW), DGEKW Kommission Digitale Anthropologie, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie (DGSKA), DGSKA Arbeitsgruppe Nahrungsethnologie, DGSKA Regionalgruppe Naher und Mittlerer Osten und Nordafrika, London Middle East Institute

## PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

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2023	Boston University, Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) conference, virtual participation  Alpen-Adria Universität Klagenfurt, Österreichische Gesellschaft für Empirische Kulturwissenschaft und Volkskunde (ÖGEKW) conference  SOAS University of London, Association of Social Anthropologists (ASA) of the UK and Commonwealth conference  Universität Paderborn, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie (DGS) Sektion Familiensoziologie, virtual conference  Hamburg University, invited lecture
2022	Seattle (Washington), American Anthropological Association (AAA) annual conference  Hamburg University, Deutsche Gesellschaft für empirische Kulturwissenschaft (DGEKW) Digital Anthropology section conference  Belfast University, European Association of Social Anthropologists conference  Hamburg University, invited lecture  The Royal Anthropological Institute (RAI), virtual conference  Universität Siegen, Journal of Digital Culture and Society, virtual writer’s workshop
2021	Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Cyborg Cook, project presentation  Aarhus University, Anthropology of Technology conference  Brunel University London, Anthropology Research Seminar, invited lecture  University of Exeter/Wellcome Centre for Cultures and Environments of Health/UWI Caribbean Institute for Health Research and University of York and Cambridge, Global Food Systems in Local Contexts, lightening talk
2020	University of Exeter, Centre for Rural Policy Research Seminar Series, invited lecture
2019	Leiden University Centre for the Study of Islam & Society, 10 <sup>th</sup> annual conference, invited conference contribution

- University of Turin, EASA Mediterraneanist Network workshop  
 Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Institute for Cultural Anthropology and European Ethnology, invited guest lecture
- 2018 Stockholm University, European Association of Social Anthropologists conference  
 University of Wisconsin-Madison (Wisconsin), Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) conference
- 2017 Freie Universität Berlin, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie conference  
 Université de Tours, Institut Européen d’Histoire et des Cultures de l’Alimentation (IEHCA) conference  
 SOAS Food Studies Centre in collaboration with Warwick Food GRP, postgraduate research workshop
- 2015 Philipps-Universität Marburg, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie conference  
 University of Aberdeen, Beyond Perception 15 symposium  
 Université de Tours, Institut Européen d’Histoire et des Cultures de l’Alimentation (IEHCA) conference
- 2014 University College London, Anthropology in London Day conference  
 Edinburgh University, Association of Social Anthropologists of the UK and Commonwealth (ASA) conference  
 SOAS Food Studies Centre, postgraduate research workshop
- 2013 Collège de France, IISMM EHESS Paris, international colloquium
- 2012 Université de Tours, Institut Européen d’Histoire et des Cultures de l’Alimentation (IEHCA) summer school

## **OUTREACH**

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### **Interviews, Texts and Podcasts**

- 2021– Blog, Cyborg Cook, project blogging. URL: <https://cyborgcook.wordpress.com/>
- 2019 Interview with Elena Valeriote for Life & Thyme, Online: 11<sup>th</sup> October. URL: <https://lifeandthyme.com/food/mourad-between-marrakesh-san-francisco/>
- 2018 Interview with Akhbar Alyoum [Arabic language daily national newspaper, Morocco]. Published in print: 10<sup>th</sup> May.
- 2018 The Conversation UK, Online: 12<sup>th</sup> April. URL: <https://theconversation.com/how-to-assess-political-stability-follow-the-bread-path-93695>
- 2018 Podcast in the 5-episode series ‘What is Good Food?’ Online: 28<sup>th</sup> January. URL: <https://soundcloud.com/whatisgoodfood/ep5foodandtheconstructionofvalue>

### **Talks and Activities**

- 2022 6<sup>th</sup> BZfE Forum, annual practitioner’s workshop hosted by Bundeszentrum für Ernährung and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Ernährung, Bonn, invited talk
- 2022 Tag der Geisteswissenschaften, taster session for prospective anthropology students, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2019 Moroccan Tasting Session, Leiden University Centre for the Study of Islam & Society
- 2017 Museum Frauenkultur Regional-International, Fürth, invited talk
- 2014 & 2016 Supper Club featuring Moroccan cuisine with anthropological commentary, in collaboration with Culinary Anthropologist, London

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

- 2023 Cyborg Cooks: Mothers and the Anthropology of Smart Kitchens. *Digital Culture & Society* Vol. 23(1): 49-70.
- 2022b Cooking with(out) Others? Changing Kitchen Technologies and Family Values in Marrakech. *Journal of North African Studies*, online early view.
- 2022a Taste Knowledge: Couscous and the Cook's Six Senses, *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* Vol. 28(2): 577-594.
- 2020 Introduction: From Nature to Culture? Claude Lévi-Strauss' Legacy and the Study of Contemporary Foodways, Co-authored introduction and guest edited special section with E. Mescoli, *Food, Culture & Society* Vol. 23 (4): 465-471.
- 2019b The Price of Homemade Bread, *Gastronomica: Journal of Critical Food Studies* Vol. 19(1): 107-108.
- 2019a Re-examining the Contested Good: Proceedings from a Postgraduate Workshop on Good Food, Co-authored with A. Cohen, B. Simpson-Miller & F. Vaghi, *Gastronomica: Journal of Critical Food Studies* Vol. 19(1): 91-93.
- 2018 Cereal Citizens: Crafting Bread and Belonging in Urbanising Morocco, *Paideuma: Mitteilungen zur Kultatkunde* Vol. 64: 244-277.

### Book and Book Chapters

- 2024 *Food and Families in the Making: Knowledge Reproduction and Political Economy of Cooking in Morocco*. Oxford: Berghahn.
- 2016 Beldi Matters: Negotiating Proper Food in Urban Moroccan Food Consumption and Preparation. In *Halal matters: Islam, politics and markets in global perspective*, F. Bergeaud-Blackler, J. Fischer and J. Lever (eds.). London: Routledge, pp. 72-90.

### Book Reviews

- 2023 José Ciro Martinez, 'States of Subsistence: The Politics of Bread in Contemporary Jordan', *Gastronomica: The Journal for Food Studies* Vol. 23(3).
- 2018 Amy B. Trubek, 'Making Modern Meals: How Americans Cook Today', SAFN Blog, online publication: 22<sup>nd</sup> October. URL: <https://foodanthro.com/2018/10/22/review-making-modern-meals/>
- 2016 Nefissa Naguib, 'Nurturing Masculinities: Men, Food and Family in Contemporary Egypt', SAFN Blog, online publication: 28<sup>th</sup> September. URL: <https://foodanthro.com/2016/09/28/review-and-interview-nurturing-masculinities/>
- 2015 David E. Sutton, 'Secrets from the Greek Kitchen: Cooking, Skill and Everyday Life on an Aegean Island', *Gastronomica: Journal of Critical Food Studies* Vol. 15(4): 97-98.

### Other

- 2017 Hausgemacht! Die anhaltende Bedeutung häuslicher Nahrungszubereitung, In 'Ausgekocht?!', museum catalogue, Frauen in der Einen Welt, pp. 128-132.
- 2010 Drinking Water Supply in the Middle Drâa Valley, South Morocco: Options for Action in the Context of Water Scarcity and Institutional Constraints. *Kölner Ethnologische Beiträge* 34. Köln: Kölner Universitäts Publikations-Server.