

ROMAN SCHÄRER

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Citizenship: Swiss

EDUCATION

10/2024 – today	Ghent University (Belgium), doctorate Islamic studies/ Ottoman history
10/2020 – 03/2023	Heidelberg University (Germany) Turkish (as part of Islamic studies) Ottoman (as part of Islamic studies)
09/2015 – 07/2018	University of Zurich (Switzerland), Master of Arts Major: History Minor: Arabic
09/2011 – 07/2015	University of Zurich (Switzerland), Bachelor of Arts Major: History First minor: Arabic Second minor: Islamic Culture and Society
06/2015 – 07/2015	Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo NVIC (Egypt) , six-week Arabic language course (with certificate)
07/2013	Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo NVIC (Egypt) , three-week Arabic language course
08/2006 – 06/2010	Kantonsschule Baden (Switzerland), Matura (A-levels) Focus subject: philosophy/pedagogics/psychology, complementary subject: history

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

10/2024 – today	Ghent University, department for Arabic, Islamic and Middle East studies, OTTOWAQF: “Islamic Endowments (Waqf) and State Formation in the Ottoman Empire (1450-1650)” , PhD student and research assistant
10/2023 – 03/2024	Heidelberg University (Germany), department for Islamic Studies, Arabic reading seminar “Jerusalem – A political history of the city from the crusaders until today” , Arabic lector
10/2022 – 03/2023	Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz (Germany), Institute of History, “Propaedeutics for the History of Islam” , tutor
10/2020 – 09/2023	Heidelberg University (Germany), Thematic Research Network “Philanthropy, Giving and Collecting in the Longue Durée. Pathways to an intercultural analysis.” , research assistant

- literature research for the overall project
- review overall project proposal
- elaboration of a subproject in the field of Islamic Studies
- compilation of an Ottoman waqf bibliography
- organisation of project meetings

08/2016 – 01/2017	University of Zurich (Switzerland), Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies, lecture series “History of the Islamic World Until 1800“, tutor
02/2015 – 07/2015	University of Zurich (Switzerland), Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies, Arabic II, tutor
08/2014 – 01/2015	University of Zurich (Switzerland), Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies, Arabic I, tutor

FURTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

03/2020 – 09/2020	Goethe-Institut Egypt (Cairo, Egypt), Dialogue and Transition Programme, project coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - coordination of various projects in Arab countries - advising the projects in regard of administration, public procurement law and organisation - financial controlling - evaluation of the projects - elaboration of new project proposals
09/2019 – 03/2020	Fachstelle Migration Zug FMZ, (Zug, Switzerland), intern <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - advising customers concerning migration topics - research on migration issues - customer database maintenance - compiling of statistics and (annual) reports - project work: drafting of new project proposals and communication with partners
05/2019 – 07/2019	Goethe-Institut Egypt (Cairo, Egypt), Dialogue and Transition Programme, intern project coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assistance project coordination (reports, cost schedules) - evaluation of subprojects - public relations tasks (project descriptions, online articles) - organisation of events, logistics
01/2015 – 02/2015	Staatsarchiv Thurgau (Frauenfeld, Switzerland), community service
06/2014 – 08/2014	Swiss Economic Archives SWA (Basel, Switzerland), community service
08/2013	Verein Naturwerk (Windisch, Switzerland), community service
07/2012 – 08/2012	Vindonissa Legionary Trail (Windisch, Switzerland) community service
03/2011 – 05/2011	Museum Langmatt (Baden, Switzerland), community service
07/2010 – 11/2010	Military training school (Switzerland)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATIONS

22/09/2023	Fourth European Convention on Turkic, Ottoman and Turkish Studies/Turkologentag (21.09. – 23.09.2023), Vienna (Austria), “The Endowments of the „Maghribīs“ in Ottoman Jerusalem (16 th to 18 th century)”
14/09/2022	34 th Deutscher Orientalistentag (12.09. – 17.09.2022), Berlin (Germany), “Die Stiftungen der „Maghrebiner“ im osmanischen Jerusalem (16. bis 18. Jahrhundert)”
23/04/2022	5. Osmanistischer Studienkreis (22. 04. – 23.04.2022), Heidelberg (Germany), “Die Stiftungen der „Maghrebiner“ im osmanischen Jerusalem”

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATIONS

3/2023	Heidelberg University, Department for Islamic Studies, Springschool “Ottoman Siyākat script”
10/2022	Heidelberg University, Department for Islamic Studies, “Intensivkurs Osmanische Paläographie und Quellenkunde” (Ottoman palaeography and sources)

LANGUAGES

German	native or bilingual proficiency
English	proficient (C1)
French	upper intermediate (B2)
Modern Standard Arabic (MSA)	upper intermediate (B2)
Egyptian Arabic	intermediate (B1)
Turkish	intermediate (B1)
Ottoman Turkish	intermediate reading proficiency
Chagatai	elementary reading proficiency
Latin	intermediate Latin certificate (kleines Latinum)

IT SKILLS

MS Office (Windows and Macintosh)	advanced
Web 2.0	advanced
scopeArchiv	beginner
cobra CRM	advanced
PPS	beginner
Citavi	advanced

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Football (club), travelling (sub-Saharan Africa, Western Asia and North Africa), reading
