

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Nationality	Swiss, Italian

### EDUCATION

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Since January 2010	<b>PhD Candidate at the Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Zurich</b> October 2011 – July 2012: Study at University of Essex
October 2002 - November 2008	<b>Study in Social Anthropology, lic. phil. (Master of Arts UZH)</b> Geography (first minor), Special Education (second minor)
1997 - 2001	<b>Matura Type L at Cantonal School Zürcher Oberland</b>

### FIELDWORK

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August 2010 - August 2011	<b>Fieldwork in the Yungas, Bolivia</b> PhD project on identity politics, indigeneity and citizenship among the coca growers of Bolivia.
November 2006 - July 2007	<b>Fieldwork in the Yungas, Bolivia</b> MA project on family and fictive kinship relations in the context of social security.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

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2012	SAGW, Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences (Conference Participation)
2011-2012	<i>Personenförderung, Auslandstipendium</i> , Swiss National Science Foundation (Fieldwork in Bolivia and stay at the University of Essex)
2010-2011	Stiftung zur Förderung der Archeologie und der Ethnologie (Fieldwork in Bolivia)

### OTHER WORK EXPERIENCES (Selection)

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February 2009 - June 2009	<b>United Nations Volunteer Intern, UNICEF, in Trinidad, Bolivia</b> Section Local/Community Development
November 2008 - Dezember 2008, August 2006 - October 2006	<b>Assistant at the Institute of Education, University of Zurich</b> Administration and interviewing for the z-proso project (social development of children)

February 2006 – May 2006

**United Nations Intern, UNHCR, in Luena, Angola**  
Project on income-generating activities for women

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## LANGUAGES

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German (mother tongue), Spanish (fluent), English (fluent), Portuguese (good), French (good), Aymara (basic knowledge).

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## PAPERS PRESENTED

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- 2013                      Becoming affluent, becoming citizens: shifting articulations of ethnic identities and wealth in the Bolivian Yungas. *Paper presented at the Society for Latin American Studies Annual Conference, University of Manchester. 11-12 April.*
- 2012                      Claiming coca's ownership: identity, economy and citizenship among the coca peasants in the Bolivian Yungas Zürich. *Paper presented at University of Zurich, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, 11 December.*
- 2012                      Immoral and illegal economies: kharisiris, drug traffickers and otherness in the Bolivian Yungas. *Paper presented at the University of Lucerne, Department of Ethnology, 7 November.*
- 2012                      The morality of unofficial economies and politics: coca growers and the claim to citizenship in Bolivia. *Paper presented at EASA (European Association of Social Anthropology) Conference in Nanterre, France, July 10-13.*
- 2012                      The coca leaf and the new politics of indigeneity in Bolivia. *Paper presented at LASA (Latin American Studies Association) Congress in San Francisco, May 23-26.*
- 2007                      Compadrazgo: Parentesco Ritual y Seguridad Social en los Yungas de Bolivia. *Paper presented at the Reunión Anual de Etnología, La Paz, Bolivia, August 22-25.*

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## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2013                      Trajectories of indigeneity and nationalism in contemporary Bolivia: the stories of intellectuals, musicians, urban residents and activists (Review Essay). In: *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies* 8(2): (pages to be issued).
- 2008                      Compadrazgo: Parentesco Ritual y Seguridad Social en los Yungas de Bolivia. In: MUSEF (ed.). *Reunión Anual de Etnología* 21 (2). La Paz: MUSEF. Pp. 321-330.
- 2006                      Disability Culture und kulturell konstruierte Behinderung. In: Graf, Erich Otto und Jan Weisser (eds). *acta empirica: Gesellschaft und Behinderung*. Bern: Edition Soziothek. Pp. 31-46.