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Academic Functions

- Dean of the School of Languages and Literature Studies

Research Interests

- Construction Grammar
- Variation and Change
- Cognitive Sociolinguistics
- New Englishes
- Acoustic Phonetics

Academic CV

since 2015	Chair of English Language and Linguistics (KU Eichstätt-Ingolstadt)
WS 2014/2015	Chair (W3) offered by KU Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (accepted) Chair (W3) offered by Saarland University (declined) Professorship (W2) offered by Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz (declined)
WS 2012/2013	Substitute Professor (W3) (Bayreuth University)
2010-2014	Assistant Professor (W1 Tenure Track) (Osnabrück University)

- 2008-2010 **Assistant Professor** ("Akademischer Rat a.Z." | without Tenure Track)
(Regensburg University)
- 2004-2007 **Lecturer**
(Regensburg University)

Video tutorials and lectures

I have just started uploading a couple of video tutorials and lectures on Youtube.

These can be accessed at

<http://www.youtube.com/user/hoffmann070276>

Academia.edu

Downloadable pre-publication drafts of all my papers and an up-to-date CV can be found on

Academia.edu

ResearchGate

Publications

Books

under contract. *Construction Grammar: The Structure of English*. (Cambridge Textbooks in Linguistics.) Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Fc. *English Comparative Correlatives: Diachronic and Synchronic Variation at the Lexicon-Syntax Interface*. (Studies in English Language.) Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [Revised version of my 'Habilitationsschrift' / Post-Doc thesis 2014. *Comparing English Comparative Correlatives*. Osnabrück University].

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2018. with Alexander Bergs. "A Construction Grammar Approach to Genre". [*CogniTextes* 18](#).

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2016. with Nikki van de Pol. "With or Without with: The Constructionalization of the with-Augmented Absolute in English". *Journal of English Linguistics* 44(4): 318-345.

2015. "Cognitive Sociolinguistic Aspects of Football Chants: The Role of Social and Physical Context in Usage-based Construction Grammar". *Zeitschrift für Anglistik und Amerikanistik* 63(3): 273-294.

2011. with G. Trousdale. "Variation, Change and Constructions in English: Introduction". *Cognitive Linguistics* 22(1): 1–23.

2011. "Never end a sentence with a preposition! That is something up with which I will not put!". [*Cambridge Extra at the LinguistList*](#)

2011. "The Black Kenyan English vowel system: An acoustic phonetic analysis". *English World-Wide* 32(2): 147-173.
2007. "'Good is good and bad is bad': But how do we know which one we had?" *Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory* 3(1): 87-98.
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