

Curriculum Vitae

2. Education

08 / 2011 – 10 / 2014 Universität Basel, Basel, Switzerland

Dr. sc. med./PhD: Biomedical Ethics

Title: Medical Error Communication: Policy and Practice

Defence: summa cum laude, 1 October 2014.

PhD Committee: Prof. Dr. Bernice Elger, Institute for Biomedical Ethics. Prof. Dr. Daniel Scheidegger, Department of Anaesthesia. Prof. Dr. Mark Pieth, Department of Criminal Law and Criminology.

02 / 2002 – 05 / 2008 University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand

Master of Bioethics and Health Law (Distinction) – 2006 / 2008

Diploma for Graduates – 2005

Bachelor of Arts – 2002 / 2004

3. Employment

07 / 2017 – 06 / 2018 Universität Basel, Basel, Schweiz

Institute for Biomedical Ethics

Position: wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter (Post Doc), 92%-95%.

Key duties: Conducting, managing and leading a project on the ethical review of learning health care activities in Switzerland. Contributing to a project examining the ethical and legal regulation of Big Data research using electronic health records.

07 / 2015 – 06 / 2017 Hannover Medical School, Hannover, Germany

Institute for History, Ethics and Philosophy in Medicine

Position: Research Fellow, 70%.

Key duties: Section leader for Health Policy. Conducting, managing and leading a systematic qualitative review of regulatory and ethical issues in Learning Health Care Systems. Conducting, managing and leading a project on Physician Rating Websites. Teaching medical ethics seminars with medical students.

05 / 2016 -08 / 2016 Universität Basel, Basel, Switzerland

Institute for Biomedical Ethics

Position: Research Fellow, 100%

Key duties: Conducting, managing and leading a pilot project identifying patient safety issues in office-based surgery and anaesthesia.

11 / 2014 – 05 / 2015 University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia

Centre for Health Policy

Position: Research Fellow, 100%

Key duties: Conducting the project “Great expectations: Achieving the promise of public reporting of health service performance in Australia”, including interviews with key stakeholders in in Australia’s health care system.

06 / 2011 – 11 / 2014 Universität Basel, Basel, Switzerland

Institute for Biomedical Ethics

Position: Research Fellow/PhD Student, 100%.

Key duties: Conducting research on the communication of medical errors, including interviews with key stakeholders, surveys with Swiss hospitals and anesthesiologists, organising and teaching seminars, co-supervising masters students, organising an international conference.

05 / 2010 – 11 / 2011 Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Bochum, Germany

Section for Social Policy and Social Economics, Faculty for Social Sciences

Position: Research Assistant, 25%

Key duties: Co-authoring a Discussion paper for the World Bank regarding the portability of health care coverage. Developing and teaching a seminar course on patient rights and health care complaints.

05 / 2010 – 01 / 2011 Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Bochum

Institute for Medical Ethics and History of Medicine

Position: Research Assistant, 25%

Key duties: Conducting researching on the regulation of medical error disclosure in Germany.

03 / 2008 – 12 / 2009 Office of the Health and Disability Commissioner, Auckland, New Zealand

Position: Complaints Assessor, 100% permanent

Key duties: Independently managing a caseload of work. Drafting high quality legally correct letters – conveying decisions, requesting information, referring matters to other agencies, updating parties and advising of options. Analysing complex written material and providing advice for action. Liaising with key internal staff and external agencies. Providing clear information to callers about complaints procedures, options for resolving complaints and the role of the Health and Disability Commissioner.

4. Institutional responsibilities

- Organiser of Bioethics Research: Contemporary Debates. Seminar – Autumn Semester 2012. Institute for Biomedical Ethics, Universität Basel, Switzerland.
- Organiser of Bioethics Research: Contemporary Debates. Seminar – Autumn Semester 2011. Institute for Biomedical Ethics, Universität Basel, Switzerland.
- Co-organiser of Empirical Research in Bioethics: Qualitative and Quantitative Methods. Course – Autumn Semester 2011. Institute for Biomedical Ethics, Universität Basel, Switzerland. Part One: 29-30 August 2011. Part Two: 15 September 2011.

5. Approved research projects

- The Ethical Oversight of Learning Health Care Activities in Switzerland. Funder: Spezialprogramm Nachwuchsförderung Klinische Forschung - Universität Basel. Awarded 75,000 CHF – April 2017.

- Warum bewerten so wenig Patienten ihren Arzt in einem Arztbewertungsportal? [Why do so few Patients rate their physicians on physician rating sites?] Funder: Hochschulinterne Leistungsförderung (HiLF) – Medizinische Hochschule Hannover. Awarded 15,000 EUR – December 2015.
- Developing a Patient Safety in Office-based Surgery Project: A Delphi Consensus Study. Funder: Gottfried und Julia Bangerter-Rhyner-Stiftung. Versorgungsforschung im Gesundheitswesen Förderprogramm – Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences. Awarded 25,000 CHF – March 2015.
- Medical Error Disclosure Attitudes in Switzerland. Funder: Käthe-Zingg-Schwichtenberg-Fonds – Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences. Awarded 39,550 CHF – June 2012

6. Supervision of junior researchers

- Martin Diebold. Medical master's thesis: "Swiss Nurses' Perspectives Regarding the Communication of Errors: A Qualitative Study" with Prof. Bernice Elger, Universität Basel, 2011-13.
- Anina Pless. Medical master's thesis: "Attitudes of healthcare workers towards enforced measures to increase influenza vaccination" with Prof. Bernice Elger, Universität Basel, 2011-13.

7. Teaching activities

Seminar Courses

- Patient Rights and Healthcare Complaints. Seminar course independently developed and taught for the master program 'Health Systems and Health Industry'. Faculty of Social Sciences, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany. Winter semester 2010-11 and Summer Semester 2011.

Teaching Contributions

- Geschichte, Theorie, Ethik der Medizin [History, Theory, Ethics of Medicine] with 4th year medical students – November 2016, Hannover Medical School, Germany.
- Psyche-Ethik-Recht: Problemorientiertes Tutoriat 2014 [Psyche-Ethics-Law: Problem oriented tutoring 2014] with medical students – Spring Semester 2014, Universität Basel, Switzerland.
- Lebenszyklen Kleingruppenunterricht Ethik [Life cycles small group ethics teaching] with medical students - Spring Semester 2013, Universität Basel, Switzerland.
- Bioethics Research: Contemporary Debates - Autumn Semester 2011, Universität Basel, Switzerland.
- Biomedical Ethics Seminar – Autumn Semester 2011, Universität Basel, Switzerland.

- Empirical Research in Bioethics: Qualitative and Quantitative Methods - Autumn Semester 2011, Universität Basel, Switzerland.
- POPLHLTH 746: Ethics, Culture and Societal Approach to Death - 2008. School of Population Health, University of Auckland, New Zealand.

8. Memberships in panels and individual scientific reviewing activities

Committees

- Member of the End-of-life-Decision-Making Committee, Otago District Health Board, Dunedin, New Zealand, 2006-2007.

Individual Scientific Reviewing Activities

- Clinical Nursing Research: June 2017.
- Journal of Magnetic Resonance Imaging: February 2017.
- BMC Health Service Research: August 2016
- Journal of Medical Internet Research: February 2016, November 2016.
- Bioethics: February 2016, June 2016.
- Postgraduate Medical Journal: June 2015.
- Journal of Influenza and Other Respiratory Viruses: August 2009, October 2009, June 2010, November 2011, March 2012, July 2012, August 2012.
- BMJ Quality and Safety: January 2012.
- Healthcare Infection Journal: April 2008.
- Drug Discovery Today: February 2008.
- Journal of Vaccine: December 2007; October 2008.

9. Active memberships in scientific societies, fellowships in renowned academies

- Deutsches Netzwerk Evidenzbasierte Medizin e.V. [German Network for Evidence-based Medicine]. November 2015 – present.

10. Organisation of conferences

- Conference co-organiser: 27th European Conference on Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care 'Innovation in Health Care and the Life Sciences. 14 – 17 August 2013, Universität Basel, Switzerland.

11. Prizes, awards, fellowships

- PhD Dissertation Award (Auszeichnung) – Academic Year 2014/2015. Medical Faculty Universität Basel, Switzerland. October 2016
- Top Paper Award. Category: Disclosing Medical Errors. International Conference on Communicating Medical Error, Switzerland. March 2013
- Health Research Council Summer Studentship. University of Auckland, New Zealand. November 2007 – February 2008.
- Faculty of Arts Summer Scholarship. University of Auckland, New Zealand. November 2007 – February 2008.
- Postgraduate Award. University of Otago, New Zealand. December 2006.
- Bioethics Centre Summer Scholarship. University of Otago, New Zealand. November 2005 – February 2006.
- J.A. Harvie Prize in Philosophy. University of Otago, New Zealand. December 2003.