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### **Current position**

**Research assistant, Department of Medical Psychology and Medical Sociology, Faculty of Medicine, Ruhr University Bochum**

**Research assistant, Orthopaedics and Accident Surgery, St. Josef Hospital Bochum**

### **University education**

- 1994-2001      Study of Sports Science, Sociology, Business and Social Psychology, Georg-August-University Göttingen
- 1997-1998      Study of Sports Science Heriot Watt University Edinburgh, Scotland

### **Scientific degrees**

- 2001            Master of Arts (M.A.), Georg-August-University Göttingen
- 2020            Doctor of Sports Science (Ph.D.), Ruhr University Bochum

### **Professional experience**

- 2003-2009      Lecturer, Institute of Medical Psychology and Medical Sociology and Institute of Sport Science, Georg-August-University Göttingen
- 2006-present     Coach and speaker in self-deployment
- 2007-2013      Lecturer, Department of Medical Psychology and Medical Sociology, Ruhr University Bochum
- 2011-present     Research Assistant, Department of Medical Psychology and Medical Sociology, Ruhr University Bochum
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