

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Primary education:

1991 – 1998 200th Elementary School „Otec Paisiy Hilendarsky“,
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1998 – 2003 91st German-language Gymnasium „Prof. Konstantin
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Graduation: Abitur/High-school diploma

University education:

Oct. 2003 – Sept. 2005	Student at the University of Trier (Germany), subjects of study: History (1 st main subject) and Classical Archaeology (2 nd main subject)
Oct. 2005 – Oct. 2011	Student at the Johannes Gutenberg – University of Mainz (Germany), subjects of study: Byzantine Studies (main subject), Classical Archaeology (1 st secondary subject), Christian Archaeology and Byzantine Art History (2 nd secondary subject)
Winter term 2008/09	Student at the University of Vienna/Austria (part of the Erasmus student exchange program)
Oct. 2011	Academic degree of M.A., topic of Master's thesis: "Byzantium and the Pechenegs in the 11 th Century"

Student activity:

- Was employed as a student assistant while attending Byzantine Studies classes in the University of Mainz for fifteen months between 2006 and 2008 within the framework of the project „To the periphery of knowledge spaces: the Crimean Peninsula on the edge of the Byzantine Empire“, which was part of the Historical and Cultural Studies Research Center Mainz-Trier (HKFZ Mainz-Trier). Hired by Professor Günter Prinzing to create a directory of *hidden* modern historical maps with the title “Byzantium and its neighbors: *hidden* historical maps and sketch maps from the area of the Byzantine studies and their related disciplines”. The project should be completed in its online version probably by the end of the year 2012 within the framework of “WissenschaftsCampus Mainz: Byzantium between Orient and Occident”, a new research network of the Roman-Germanic Central Museum (RGZM-Mainz) and Johannes Gutenberg-University of Mainz.

The project and its main topics were presented by Mr. K. Sokolov during the 22nd workshop of the German Society for the Promotion of Byzantine Studies (DAFBS) at the

University of Hamburg on 21 Feb. 2009. A second official presentation of the project was held on 25 Aug. 2011 during the 22nd International Congress of Byzantine Studies in Sofia (Bulgaria).

- From 01.03.2011 to 31.09.2011 employed as a student assistant at the Johannes Gutenberg -University in Mainz by Prof. Dr. Johannes Pahlitzsch.
- Since 2011 involved with other students of the University in Mainz in a project for a new edition and translation of Byzantine founder-inscriptions from Crete under the direction of Prof. Dr. Vasiliki Tsamakda.

Archaeological practicum:

01. Sept. - 15. Sept. 2004	Participation in archaeological excavations in Apollonia Pontica (modern Sozopol/Bulgaria) under the direction of Dr. Krastina Panayotova
01. Aug. - 15. Aug. 2008	Participation in archaeological excavations in Varna (Bulgaria) under the direction of Prof. Dr. Kazimir Popkonstantinov
15. Sept. - 22. Sept. 2006	Participation in archaeological excavations in Apollonia Pontica (modern Sozopol/Bulgaria) under the direction of Dr. Krastina Panayotova
24.09. - 04.10.2006	Participation in archaeological excavations in Great Preslav (modern Preslav/Bulgaria) under the direction of Prof. Dr. Kazimir Popkonstantinov

Postgraduate activity:

- Since 22. Oct. 2011 employed (half-time position) as a research assistant at the Department of History (field of activity - Byzantine Studies) at the Johannes Gutenberg-University in Mainz.

Work tasks: Responsible for the Library of the Byzantine Studies at the University of Mainz and also lecturer (docent) leading one course every term.

Course during the winter term 2011/12: English source-reading course "Byzantium in the 12th Century according to the chronicles of Nicetas Choniates und John Kinnamos"

Course during the summer term 2012: Proseminar "Byzantium and the south Slavs"

Course during the winter term 2012/13: „The Byzantines und their neighbors according to the so-called *de administrando imperio* of Constantine VII“

- Since 1.4. 2012 PhD student at the University of Mainz under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Günter Prinzing and working on his PhD thesis "Byzantium and the Pechenegs from the 9th to the 12th Century"

- A paper titled „The last Byzantine-Pecheneg war“ should be read on 12 June 2012 at the University of Münster (Germany)

Language skills:

- Bulgarian (native)
- German (fluent)
- English (good)
- Serbo-Croatian (good)
- Russian (moderate)
- Greek (moderate)
- French (basic)
- Latin and Ancient Greek proficiency certificates