### CURRICULUM VITAE

### Anna Maria Heermann

CONTACT Department of Foreign Languages / University of Bergen

PO Box 7805, 5020 Bergen, Norway Office Phone: +47 55 58 23 53 Mobile Phone: +47 96 68 04 21 E-Mail: Anna.Heermann@if.uib.no

**CURRENT POSITION** Ph.D. Fellow (ABD, expected fall 2016)

Working Title of the Doctoral Dissertation:

"Heikle Heimaten: Zur Tradierung von Heimat im Prosawerk Herta

Müllers"

**EDUCATION** 

Magister Artium Modern German Literary History,

North Germanic, and English Philology

University of Freiburg, Germany / October 2003-July 2011

Study abroad: University of Bergen / August 2005-June 2006

LANGUAGES Native: German

Fluent: English, Norwegian, Romanian

Reading Competency: Danish, Swedish, French

COURSES TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BERGEN

Undergraduate Introduction to German Studies ("Introduksjon til tyskstudiet")

German Literature ("Tyskspråklig litteratur")

German Literature – Distance learning course aimed at Norwegian

German Teachers ("Tyskspråklig litteratur – fjernstudium")

"Filmadaptionen deutscher Gegenwartstexte"

"In der Kürze liegt die Würze – Novellistik von Goethe bis heute"

Graduate "Erzählen – Erinnern – Erfinden: Schreiben als Erinnerungsarbeit und /

oder Autofiktion in der deutschsprachigen Literatur der Gegenwart"

"Text und Kontext: Literatur und Kultur der Moderne"

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Cultural Ideologies and Mass Culture Transnational Approaches to Literature

20<sup>th</sup> Century German Prose Fiction Literature and Film

19<sup>th</sup> Century German Literature, Fairy Tales

esp. Romanticism Cultural Studies

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Article "Language Is Not *Heimat*: On the Politics of Language in the Works of

Herta Müller." In Jewish Studies in Odessa, edited by Oksana

Dovgopolova in collaboration with The Royal Norwegian Embassy in

Kiev. Odessa: Odessa University Press, 2015. (forthcoming)

Book Review "Lieber Leser, sei gewarnt!" Zielsprache Deutsch 41, no. 3 (2014): 51-

53. (forthcoming)

Conference "Von der Heimat und ihrer Heimat: Die deutsche Gesellschaft e.V.

Proceedings Berlin lud Wissenschaftler und Künstler zu einer Konferenz zum Thema

'Heimat' an der Babeş-Bolyai Universität in Klausenburg / Cluj-Napoca

ein." Spiegelungen: Zeitschrift für deutsche Kultur und Geschichte

Südosteuropas 7, no. 4 (2012): 403-405.

"Über Heimat und Identität in einer globalen Welt." Siebenbürgische

Zeitung, November 30, 2012, Kulturspiegel sec.

# **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

June 2015 (accepted) Conference: Nordic-Baltic German Studies Convention

Host: University of Talinn Place: Talinn, Estonia

Paper: "Topographien des Absurden: Herta Müllers Der Mensch ist ein

großer Fasan auf der Welt"

May 2014 Conference: Jewish Experience and European Crisis

Host: University of Bergen in collaboration with the University of

Bucharest

Place: Bergen, Norway

Paper: "Against the Tide: Herta Müller on Heimat"

May 2014 Conference: Hermeneutics/Negative Hermeneutics: Aspects of

Understanding / Not- Understanding

Host: University of Bergen in collaboration with the University of Kiel

Place: Bergen, Norway

Paper: "Herta's Hermeneutics of Heimat"

October 2013 Conference: Cultural Minorities in Europe: Literature, Language, Art

Hosts: research group "Europas grenser" / University of Bergen, The Royal Norwegian Embassy in Kiev, Odessa University

Place: Odessa, Ukraine

Paper: "Language Is Not Heimat: On the Politics of Language in the

Works of Herta Müller"

September 2013 Conference: Bürger und Bürgerlichkeit in der europäischen Literatur

Host: Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

Place: Berlin, Germany

Moderation of the discussion: "Bürger im Film"

May 2013 Conference: Hermeneutik

Host: Det tysk-norske studiesenter at the University of Kiel

Place: Kiel, Germany

Paper: "On the Challenge of Conceptualizing Heimat for Literary

Analysis"

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION (CONTINUED)**

October 2012 Conference: Heimat – Identität, Kontinuität und Differenz in einer

globalen Welt

Host: Deutsche Gesellschaft e.V. Place: Cluj-Napoca, Romania

See Publications ("Conference Proceedings")

## **OUTREACH**

Research Days Contribution: "Language Maze" ("Språklabyrint")

("Forskningsdagene") A treasure hunt in which (school) children and adults can explore their

knowledge on the subject areas taught at the Department of Foreign

Languages. Bergen / September 2014

Language Days Contribution: "Norway's Next Top Language" ("Norges Neste Top

("Språkdagene") Språk")

A quiz contest alluding to the popular reality TV-show "Norway's Next Top Model" that is popular between the target group of the event (school

children between 14-16 years). Bergen / October 2012, March 2013

Facebook group Creation and administration of the Facebook group that serves the "Tysk ved" students and staff as an informal platform to exchange ideas, news from

Universitetet Germany and course information. The main aim is to strengthen the student's identification with the subject and encourage exchange

between students and lecturers. August 2014-present