



# SWANTJE OPITZ, M.A.

## RESEARCH ASSISTANT & PHD CANDIDATE & TRANSLATOR

Birthday: 07.08.1990  
Nationality: German

### CONTACT

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### SKILLS

Research & Critical Thinking  
(Cultural) Translation  
Data Analysis  
Ethical Research Conduct  
IT (Microsoft, MAC OS, MS Word,  
PowerPoint, Adobe)

### LANGUAGES

German - native speaker  
English - fluent  
Norwegian - highly proficient  
Danish - good command  
Finnish - basic communication

### EDUCATION

#### 09.2024 – current

University of Göttingen  
Scandinavian Studies  
**PhD Candidate**

#### 08.2020 – 06.2023

UiT – The Arctic University of Norway  
Indigenous Studies  
**Master of Philosophy**

#### 10.2015 – 12.2019

Humboldt University of Berlin  
Scandinavian Studies  
**Bachelor of Arts**

#### 10.2010 - 09.2015

Leipzig University  
European History  
**Bachelor of Arts**

### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### 09.2024 – current

University of Göttingen  
Scandinavian Seminar  
**Research Assistant**

- Teaching
- Research
- Administrative Tasks

#### 10.2023 – current

Norges Museumsforbund

#### **Advisor (periodic involvement)**

- Project: Dávvirat Duiskkas – Sámi objects in German museums
  - Translation, transcription, and cataloguing of museum and archival materials

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## PRESENTATIONS

### **04.2021 Souvenirs in Motion University of Lapland**

“Bringing Home Souvenirs: The responsibility of the collector”

### **03.2025 SAMFORSK Tromsø Museum**

“Gustav Hagemann's Inheritance at the Museum of European Cultures - First Steps”

### **05.2025 Workshop & talks on Sámi cultural heritage in German Museums Center of Northern Peoples**

“Gustav Hagemannsamlingen i Berlin”

### **0.7.2025 IASS LMU Munich**

“Decolonial Turn in Scandinavian Studies? Roundtable Discussion on Institutions, Research, and Teaching”

### **08.2025 Innføring i medie- og dokumentasjonsvitenskap The Arctic University of Tromsø**

“The Gustav Hagemann Collection in Berlin: The Handling of Sámi Cultural Heritage in German Museums”

### **08.2023 – 12.2023**

Tromsø Kommune (Municipality)

### **Morsmåslærer - Native Language Teacher**

- Teaching: German as first language / German-Norwegian bilingualism

### **08.2022 – 12.2022**

UiT – The Arctic University of Norway

### **Project Assistance ENCODE**

- Text editing / proof reading

### **08.2022 – 12.2022**

UiT – The Arctic University of Norway

### **Lecturer**

- Teaching: German Cities and Cultural Understanding

### **02.2022 – 02.2022**

Tromsø Kommune (Municipality)

### **Substitute Teacher**

- Teaching: German (8.,9.,10. grade)

### **08.2021 – 12.2021**

UiT – The Arctic University of Norway

### **Lecturer**

- Teaching: German Cities and Cultural Understanding
- Teaching: Introduction to German

### **01.2018 – 05.2021**

Humboldt University of Berlin

### **Managing Editor NORDEUROPAforum**

- Editorial coordination, organization of editorial conferences
- Text editing / proofreading

## ENGAGEMENT

**09.2024 - current**

NORDEUROPAforum

**Editorial Staff Member**

**09.2024 - current**

Fachverband Skandinavistik

**Member of the Advisory Board**

**10.2025 - current**

LitLog - eMagazine for Literature  
Culture Research

**Editor**

## INTERSHIPS

**03.2018 - 04.2018**

Museum of European cultures

**Sámi cultural heritage**

- Provenance research

**12.2009 - 03.2010**

Schweriner Volkszeitung

**Editorial Assistant**

**01.2020 - 01.2020**

Humboldt University of Berlin

**Project Assistance**

**KOSMOS Conference**

- «GRENZ\RAUM – GRÆNSE\REGION  
- Dansk-tysk Historie(r)»

**04.2019 - 06.2019**

Humboldt University of Berlin

**Project Assistance**

**KOSMOS Conference**

- „Auf eigene Rechnung – Piraten  
und Freibeuter im Ostseeraum  
während der frühen Neuzeit  
(16.-18. Jahrhundert)“

**09.2018 - 10.2018**

Humboldt University of Berlin

**Project Assistance**

**KOSMOS Conference**

- „Das Europa der Frauen und die  
Welt der Bücher. Die  
Prinzessinnenbibliothek und die  
literarische, politische und  
intellektuelle Kultur des 18.  
Jahrhunderts“