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Was born in Cheb, Czech Republic (Eger, Bohemia), September 12, 1942. Received my secondary education at Johannes-Gutenberg-Gymnasium, Wiesbaden, 1953–1962. Studied Philosophy, Theology, Indology, Arabistik, and Linguistics at Frankfurt (1962–1964), Paris (1964–1965), Mainz (1965–1966), and Tübingen (1966–1980). Wrote an Indological Dissertation in 1980 (Promotor: Paul Thieme) which remained undefended.

Went to Japan in September 1980. Have taught languages — mainly Vedic and Classical Sanskrit — for almost 30 years: as full-time “Foreign Lecturer” at Kanazawa (1981–1991) and Kyoto (1991–2006); as part-time teacher at Fukui (1980–1984), Hiroshima (1989–2001), Otani (2006–2009), and again Kyoto (2006–2009). Have also taught classes at the Leiden Summer School (2008 and 2009), and an intensive course at Halle an der Saale (2009).

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