

# Welcome

**Name: Nadine Tauchner**

**PhD: History**

**Thesis Title: Journalism between Nazism and Democracy: An intellectual biography of the Austrian journalist Otto Schulmeister**

## Thesis Description:

My thesis researches the intersections of political activism and journalism in Austria across the multiple transitions from democracy to Austrofascism, to Nazism and post-1945 democracy, through the lens of the life and work of the Austrian journalist Otto Schulmeister (1916-2001). Taking Otto Schulmeister's biography as the unit of analysis allows me to identify long spanning continuities or contradicting patterns of thinking as well as reinterpretations of concepts and ideas that are often studied in isolation of each other.

In employing methods of biography research, oral history and content analysis, my project is investigating how the Catholic milieu negotiated the transition from democracy to Nazism and back? How intellectuals perceived and discussed the idea of Democracy, Europe and National Socialism before, during and after National Socialism and what effects the changes from democracy to Nazism and back had on the press and intellectual movements?

At its core this project aspires to be a transnational and intellectual study of Austrian journalism that sheds light on how a journalist, reacted and contributed to the changing course of Austrian and European history in the twentieth century and the extreme intellectual conditions associated with those upheavals.



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## Conferences/Seminars:

- 31/05/2018: Presenter at SHU Humanities Postgraduate Conference, Sheffield Hallam University
- 11-12/01/2018: Presenter at Postgraduate Students Conference, German History Institute London
- 30/08-01/09/2017: Presenter at German History Society Annual Conference, University of St. Andrews
- 05-08/10/2017: The Annual German Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, U.S.
- 01-02/06/2017: Presenter at SHU Humanities Postgraduate Conference, Sheffield Hallam University
- 12-13/01/2017: Presenter at Postgraduate Students Conference, German History Institute London
- 26-28/10/2016: Presenter at Dissertation-Seminar "Geschichte und Wirkung des Holocaust", Fritz Bauer Institut

## Public Engagement Activities:

- since 2017: Brilliant Club Tutor, Leicester

## Research Interests:

- Journalism History
- Fascism
- History of the Austro-Fascist Regime
- History of the Third Reich
- Post-war democracy in Austria/Europe
- History of Youth Movements
- Holocaust
- Policies concerning Nazi Past

