

CV (short)

Prof. Dr. Michèle Amacker

1. Personal Information

Name Michèle Amacker
Current Position Assistant Professor of Gender Studies, Co-Director of the Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies at the University of Bern (ICFG)
Member of the Board of Directors, Swiss Centre of Expertise in Human Rights (SCHR); Cluster Manager Gender Politics

2. Education

2/2016–present Assistant Professor, Tenure Track for Gender Studies, University of Bern, Switzerland.
04/2014 PhD in Sociology, University of Fribourg, under the supervision of Prof. Monika Budowski. Second supervisor: Prof. Brigitte Aulenbacher.
3/2008 Masters at the University of Fribourg: Social Work and Social Policy, Social Research Methods and Contemporary Philosophy.

3. Career

2/2016–present Co-Director of the Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies (ICFG), University of Bern, Switzerland.
4/2014–1/2016 Interim Co-Director of the Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies (ICFG), University of Bern.
6/2012–3/2014 Research Collaborator at the Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies (ICFG), University of Bern (70-80%), responsible for research management and teaching.
6/2012–03/2013 Research assistant at the University of Fribourg in the department of Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work (20%).
4/2013–12/2013 Research Assistant at the Institute of Sociology of the University of Neuchâtel (30%), participation in the SNSF follow-up project *Household Strategies under Conditions of Precarious Prosperity in Four Countries* (project duration 2013-2016).
6/2008–5/2012 Research assistant in research project on *Household Strategies under Conditions of Precariousness, Prosperity in four Countries: Chile, Costa Rica, Spain and Switzerland*, financed by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) under the supervision of Prof. M. Budowski, University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

4. Affiliations and Scientific Boards

Since 2021 Chairperson of the Equality Commission of the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
Since 2020 Member of the cantonal Gender Equality Commission, Bern
Since 2019 Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Open Gender Platform, Berlin

<i>Since 2018</i>	Member of the Sustainable Research steering committee of the Swiss Academy of Science
<i>Since 2016</i>	Member of the Commission for Equality, University of Bern
<i>Since 2016</i>	Member of the selection committee for the Barbara Lischetti award, University of Bern
<i>Since 2016</i>	Representative for Gender Studies Switzerland on the Conference of the German-speaking Institutes for Gender Studies (KEG) Committee
<i>Since 2014</i>	Member of the Board of Directors of the Swiss Centre of Expertise in Human Rights (SCHR)
<i>Since 2014</i>	Member of the Board of the Swiss Association for Gender Studies (SAGS)

5. Projects (Selection)

5.1 Free Research Funding

5.1.1 Main applicant

<i>9/2018– 8/2022</i>	<i>NFP 76 Fürsorge und Zwang: Zum Wohle der Kinder? Die Rolle von privaten Organisationen und staatlichen Behörden bei der Unterbringung von Kindern in Pflegefamilien in den Kantonen Bern und Graubünden (1945 bis heute), funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)</i>
<i>1/2020–12/2021</i>	Building up savings and developing financial skills for the economic empowerment and wellbeing of women and youth in rural Rwanda, Transformation Accelerating Grant (TAG), funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation
<i>4/2017–10/2018</i>	„like2be“ – An educational game and accompanying material for teachers, funded by the Federal Office for the Equality of Women and Men, grants in accordance with the Equality Act, the Mercator Foundation Switzerland, State Secretariat for Education, Research, and Innovation (SERI)
<i>9/2015–11/2016</i>	Sustainable Care Farming in Switzerland. Transdisciplinary research project funded by the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences, Network for Transdisciplinary Research (td-net) and University of Bern

5.1.2 As a member of the project team

<i>10/2020 – 12/2022</i>	Massive Open Online Course (MOOC): <i>Gender perspectives on the labour market in developing countries: Fostering knowledge spill over and dialogue among researchers and policymakers</i> , funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
<i>7/2014–4/2021</i>	<i>Feminisation, Agricultural Transition and Rural Employment: Social and political conditions of asset-building in the context of export-led agriculture and alternative income generating opportunities</i> (FATE project), funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
<i>9/2018–12/2020</i>	<i>Partnership Actions for Rural Employment (PARE)</i> , funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
<i>6/2019–12/2019</i>	<i>Acceptance of sexual and gender-related diversity in pedagogical settings in German-speaking Switzerland</i> . Research funded by the Mercator Foundation Switzerland and the Zurich University of Teacher Education

- 2/2015– 9/2016 „like2be" – Development of an educational game on gendered professions and accompanying materials, AGORA, funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- 2014–2016 *The effects of large-scale land acquisitions (LSLA) on households in rural communities of the Global South: gender relations, decision making and food security*, funded by Swiss Network for International Studies (SNIS)
- 2014–2016 *WASH in health facilities in the context of gender-sensitive sanitation. How Indian and Ugandan health centres manage the sanitation needs of special user groups*, funded by Swiss Network for International Studies (SNIS)

5.2 Mandates/Contract Research

- 12/2019–12/2021 Panel study of the junior researcher programme *Filling the Gap*, mandated by the medical faculty of the University of Zürich
- 7/2019–6/2021 Research mandate *Ausbeutung Minderjähriger im Kontext von Menschenhandel in der Schweiz*, mandated by the Swiss Federal Office of Police (fedpol)
- 3/2020–3/2021 Handbook *Grundrechte im digitalen Zeitalter* (working title) in collaboration with Prof. Christine Kaufmann, SKMR, University of Zürich, mandated by the Hirschmann Foundation
- 2016–2021 Information platform/website on the topic of female genital mutilation (*mädchenbeschneidung.ch*) in collaboration with Caritas Switzerland, Terre des Femmes Switzerland and Sexual Health Switzerland, mandated by the Federal Office for Public Health (FOPH) and the Swiss State Secretariat for Migration (SEM)
- 2/2017–12/2021 Gender evaluation and monitoring, mandated by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
- 5/2018–9/2020 Implementation of a panel study, Career Tracker Cohorts (SNSF-CTC) in collaboration with the Institute of Sociology, University of Bern, mandated by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- 10/2017–4/2018 Development of a study design for the SNSF Career Tracker Cohorts in collaboration with the Institute of Sociology, mandated by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- 6/2016–8/2020 Evaluation study *Gender in Sport for Development*, mandated by the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ)
- 7/2018–4/2019 Evaluation of the Doc.CH funding scheme mandated by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- 11/2017–3/2019 Research mandate *Analyse der Situation von gewaltbetroffenen geflüchteten Frauen und Mädchen in den Kantonen*, on behalf of the Swiss State Secretariat for Migration (SEM), the Swiss Conference of Cantonal Social Services (SODK), Federal Office for Public Health (FOPH)
- 12/2017–5/2018 Research mandate *Digitalisierung am Arbeitsplatz: Auswirkungen von Self-Checkout und Self-Scanning auf das Verkaufspersonal im Detailhandel*, mandated by the Unia trade union
- 03/2016–07/2017 Research mandate *Auswirkungen des Strukturwandels auf die Arbeitsplätze im Detailhandel*, mandated by the Foundation for Research on Women's Employment