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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Utz's scholarship, which he shares with academic and non-academic audiences, centers on medievalism, medieval culture and literature, higher education administration & management, the interconnections between humanistic inquiry and science/technology, reception study, and the formation of cultural memories and identities.

TEACHING INTERESTS

Utz teaches a full range of literary and cultural studies courses. He is especially passionate about creating learning environments that show continuities and discontinuities between medieval culture and its afterlife of in modern and contemporary times.

EDUCATION

1990 PhD English & German Studies, Universität Regensburg, Germany

1988 MA English & German Studies, Universität Regensburg

1982/1984 Intermediate Examination: German/English, Universität Regensburg

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- "In Praise of Deliberate Amateurs," University Business Magazine, 2025.
- "Would We Rather the Humanities Be Ruined Than Changed?," Inside Higher Ed, 2025
- "Interim Dean: An Unexpected Journey." Inside Higher Ed, 2025.
- "Why Liberal Arts Leaders Should Know STEM is not the Enemy." University Business Magazine, 2024.
- "Not Without a Trace: Residual Regional Medievalisms." Perspicuitas. Internet-Periodicum für mediävistische Sprach-, Literatur- und Kulturwissenschaft, Jan. 2024.
- "Beating the bottom line: Is language instruction doomed to fail?" University Business Magazine, 2024.
- "Why STEM needs the humanities—and vice versa." University Business (podcast), 2024.
- "Global Robins, Global Greenwoods." In *Medievalism & Reception*. Ed. I. Willis and E. Crookes. Cambridge: Boydell & Brewer, UK, 2024, 54-68.
- "Administrative Hiring and your Institutional Brand." Inside Higher Ed, 2024.
- "Our Daily Middle Ages." In "When men are unprepared and look not for It". In Memoriam Christoph Houswitschka. Ed. S. Brähler & K.-A. Münderlein. Bamberg: Bamberg UP, 2024. 235-47.
- "Milton's Last Stand, in Florida." Insider Higher Ed, 2024.
- "Making the Most of External Review Letters." Inside Higher Ed, 2024.
- "Authenticity, Neo-Liberalism, and Socialism: *The Name of the Rose.*" In *Cinema Medievalia: New Essays on the Reel Middle Ages.* Ed. K.J. Harty & S. Manning. Jefferson: McFarland, 2024. 270-87.
- "It is Time to Reform and Revalidate the Humanities Master's Degree: The Power of Applied, Career-oriented, and Integrative Approaches at STEM-driven Universities." In: *Mission Driven: Reimagining Graduate Education for a Thriving Humanities Ecosystem*, ed. S. Hartman & Y. Krakowsky. New York: Modern Language Assoc. of America, 2023. 57-74. [with A. Stenport]
- "Humanizing Science and Engineering for the Twenty-First Century." *Issues in Science and Technology* 39/1, Fall 2022: 54-57. (with K. Husbands Fealing & A. Incorvaia)
- "Writing, Men, Empire: Kipling's Medievalist Imagination." Studies in Medievalism 31 (2022): 159-175.