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The Department of Journalism of Windesheim University of Applied Sciences celebrates its 30th anniversary this year. Some 1300 students are enrolled in the fulltime and part-time bachelor programme. The Department has also a research center that focuses on Media & Civil Society with three main research programmes: Public judgment and news media, Youth and news, Public Storytelling and Professional Standards (EJTA).

I started working for the Department of Journalism in 1986 and have held different positions: Head of field placements, lecturer in Politics, Chairman of the social science and languages section, Head of the parttime programme, Researcher, Interim-manager. My background is in Political Science which I studied in Syracuse, New York (MA) and in Amsterdam. My fields of interest were Public Administration and Political Theory, particularly democratic theory. My latest two research projects concerned analysis of news in regional and local media about municipal elections in 2010 and provincial elections in 2011.



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