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Curriculum Vitae
Dr. Peter Wolfensberger

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Dr. Peter Wolfensberger (PhD, MScN, RN) is a lecturer at Bern University of Applied Sciences and a nursing expert specialising in psychiatric and mental health nursing. Until the end of 2023, he also worked in his own practice as an Advanced Practice Nurse (APN). He started his professional career as a station manager for the Swiss National Railways and as a travel agent before entering the nursing profession in 1993. Trained in general nursing at the Nursing School of the Psychiatric University Hospital in Zurich (graduated in 1997) Peter Wolfensberger worked in various acute care and rehabilitation settings for ten years. Since 2007 his main nursing focus is on mental health, and he worked in psychiatric organisations until 2021.

In 2012, Peter Wolfensberger completed his master's degree in nursing science (MScN) at Cardiff University in Wales and his doctoral degree (PhD) at the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences at Bournemouth University in England in 2021. Despite his academic honours, Peter Wolfensberger remains a nursing professional from and for the field of practice and supports the development of the nursing profession and the field of mental health care. He is co-founder and co-developer of the Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing specialisation in the master's degree programme at Bern University of Applied Sciences and teaches his in-depth knowledge and convictions to the health care specialists of the future.

As an active member of Sigma Theta Tau European Region and its Phi Mu Chapter England and as a Visiting Associate at Bournemouth University, Peter Wolfensberger has an excellent international network. In Switzerland, he works on the board of APN-CH and is an active member of the foundation's assembly of Pro Mente Sana. He is also a member of the SBK and other associations. He is passionate about people who are marginalised and discriminated against in and by society. In particular, he is committed to supporting people with mental disabilities and people from the LGBTQIA+ community.

Peter Wolfensberger lives with his husband and his dog in a rural area of the Kanton Zurich, where he enjoys nature, hiking, music and more. https://www.bfh.ch/de/ueber-die-bfh/personen/snckfn5m4fun/