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Current Positions	**Witten/Herdecke University** Post-doctoral Researcher, Research Project Election Forecasts for the German Federal Election 2025	*since Sep 2024*
Previous Positions	**Hertie School & Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin** Doctoral Researcher, Research Training Group DYNAMICS	*Sep 2021 - Aug 2024*
	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Doctoral Researcher, Research Project MINISTERIALLOBBY	*Oct 2023 - Aug 2024*
	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin & Freie Universität Berlin, Doctoral Researcher, Cluster of Excellence SCRIPTS	*May 2021 - Jul 2022*
	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Student Assistant, Chair of Comparative Political Behavior	*Dec 2016 - Apr 2021*
	Technische Universität Berlin Student Assistant, Institute of Machine Tools and Production	*May 2015 - Mar 2017*
Education	**Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin** PhD Candidate in Political Science, Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Heike Klüver	*since Sep 2021*
	London School of Economics and Political Science Research Visit, Department of Government, Supervisor: Prof. Sara B. Hobolt	*Sep 2023 - Dec 2023*
	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Master's in Social Sciences, *Grade*: 1.0	*Oct 2019 - May 2021*
	Northwestern University Exchange Program, Chicago (declined due to pandemic)	*Sep 2020 - Dec 2020*
	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Bachelor's in Social Sciences, *Grade*: 1.6	*Oct 2015 - Mar 2019*
	Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE), Exchange Program, Mexico City	*Aug 2017 – Dec 2017*
	Technische Universität Berlin Bachelor's in Industrial Engineering and Management, *Grade*: 2.3	*Oct 2011 - Jul 2015*

Peer-Reviewed Publications	**Gendered targeting: Do parties tailor their campaign ads to women?**, The Journal of Politics (Preprint)	*forthcoming*
	Targeting Voters Online: How Parties' Campaigns Differ, Electoral Studies, (Article) (Github)	*2024*
	The PARTYPRESS Database: A New Comparative Database of Parties' Press Releases (Article) (GitHub) Research and Politics, with Heike Klüver, and Lukas F. Stoetzer	*2023*
Under Review	**Buying Voter Support for Unpopular Policies: Evidence from German Nuclear Power Plants**, with António Valentim and Heike Klüver (Preprint)	
	Parties' issue adaptation between elections, with Lukas F. Stoetzer, and Heike Klüver	
Working Papers	**Who Becomes a Lobbyist? Evidence from German Lobbyists' Biographies**, with Jan Stuckatz, Felix Hartmann, and Heike Klüver	
	Measuring protest through news articles: A validation approach for manual and semi-supervised methods using government data (Preprint)	
Other Projects	**Election Dataset Germany 1953-2021** (GitHub) County-level results made comparable over time using areal weighted interpolation	*2021*
	erststimme2017.de Prediction of the district vote at the German Elections	*2017*

Presentations	EPSA	*2022, 2023, 2024*
	DVPW	*2024*
	Transformations of Democracy Junior Scholars Workshop, WZB Berlin	*2024*

Service to the discipline	Reviewer for: *The Journal of Politics* (JOP), *Political Science Research and Methods* (PSRM), *European Journal of Political Research* (EJPR) Student Representative DYNAMICS Research Training Group 2022

Funding	Fulbright Travel Grant (declined/pandemic) (EUR ~2,000)	*2020*
	DAAD Promos Scholarship USA (declined/pandemic) (EUR ~3,000)	*2020*
	DAAD Promos Scholarship Mexico (EUR ~3,000)	*2017*

Teaching experience	**Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**	
	Automated Web Data Collection and Text as Data (BA)	*2023*
	Comparative Politics and International Relations (BA)	*2022*

Additional training	**Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis** *Causal Inference and Experiments in the Social Sciences*, by Prof. Ryan T. Moore, PhD (American University)	*2022*
	DYNAMICS Graduate Program, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin *New Directions in Causal Inference*,	
	by Prof. Ryan T. Moore, PhD (American University)	*2024*
	Image Analysis, by Prof. Michelle Torres (UCLA)	*2023*
	Online Experiments, by Dr. Amalia Alvarez-Benjumea (MPI)	*2021*
	Survey Experiments, by Sofia Breitenstein (UAB)	*2021*
	Spatial Data Analysis, by Prof. Dr. Karsten Donnay (UZH)	*2021*
	Beyond Counting Words: Working with Word Embeddings, by Prof. Dr. Damian Trilling (UvA)	*2021*

Languages	German	Native
	English	Advanced (TOEFL iBT: 112/130)
	Spanish	Fluent (UNIcert II)
	Latin and Ancient Greek	9 and 6 years of classes
Software skills	Programming	R, Python, Github, Stata
	Text processing	LaTeX, MS Office
	Other technical skills	Webscraping, Data Visualization, Quantitative Text Analysis, Automated Image Analysis

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