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

Peer-Reviewed Publications	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
Revise & Resubmit	Gendered targeting: Do parties tailor their campaign ads to women?, The Journal of Politics (Preprint)	
Under Review	Buying Voter Support for Unpopular Policies: Evidence from German Nuclear Power Plants, with António Valentim and Heike Klüver (Preprint)	
Working Papers	Parties' issue adaptation between elections, with Lukas F. Stoetzer, and Heike Klüver	
	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: <i>The Journal of Politics</i> (JOP), <i>Political Science Research and Methods</i> (PSRM), <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> (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 <i>Causal Inference and Experiments in the Social Sciences</i> , by Prof. Ryan T. Moore, PhD (American University)	2022
	DYNAMICS Graduate Program, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin	
	<i>New Directions in Causal Inference</i> , by Prof. Ryan T. Moore, PhD (American University)	2024
	<i>Image Analysis</i> , by Prof. Michelle Torres (UCLA)	2023
	<i>Online Experiments</i> , by Dr. Amalia Alvarez-Benjumea (MPI)	2021
	<i>Survey Experiments</i> , by Sofia Breitenstein (UAB)	2021
	<i>Spatial Data Analysis</i> , by Prof. Dr. Karsten Donnay (UZH)	2021
	<i>Beyond Counting Words: Working with Word Embeddings</i> , by Prof. Dr. Damian Trilling (UvA)	2021

Languages	German	Native
	English	Advanced (TOEFL iBT: 112/130)
	Spanish	Fluent (UNCert 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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