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CURRENT POSITIONS

Tel Aviv University since Oct 2022
Postdoctoral fellow at the Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology (funded by the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities & the Council for Higher Education)

Goethe University Frankfurt since May 2018
Postdoctoral researcher and lecturer (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter 100%) at the Dept. of Sociology with Focus on Quantitative Methods for Social Research (on leave since Oct 2022)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Attitudes, immigration, political communication, quantitative & computational methods, text-as-data & natural language processing

EDUCATION

University of Cologne Dec 2018
Dr. rer. pol. in Social Sciences and Economics (Dr. rer. pol., *summa cum laude*)

University of Cologne Aug 2015
M. Sc. in Sociology and Empirical Social Research (minor: Social Policy)

University of Mannheim Jun 2012
B. A. in Sociology (minor: Political Science & Social Psychology)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Cologne
– Fellow at the Cologne Graduate School in Management, Economics and Social Sciences Oct 2015 – Apr 2018
– Research Assistant at the Dept. of Empirical Social and Economic Research Apr 2016 – Mar 2018
Expert Council of German Foundations on Integration and Migration Aug 2020
– Data Analyst for Annual Report 2021
Radboud University Nijmegen Feb – Mar 2018
– Visiting Researcher
Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies Jun – Aug 2014
– Visting Researcher
GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Science Jun 2013 – Aug 2015
– Student Assistant

Mannheim Center for European Social Research
– Student Assistant

May 2010 – Jul 2012

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

- Academy of Sociology 2023
Travel grant (1,000 €)
- Volkswagen Foundation 2023
Two-week participation BIGSSS Computational Social Science Summer School on Democratic Debate (as project leader), Bremen, DE
- Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities & Council for Higher Education 2022 – 2024
Two-year Excellence Fellowship for International Postdoctoral Researchers (320,000 NIS ≈ 89,400 €)
- Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies 2022
One-week participation Ernst Strüngmann Forum, Frankfurt, DE
- Goethe Graduate Academy, Goethe University Frankfurt 2022 – 2023
Promotion of Independent Grant Proposals (3,000 €)
- German Academic Exchange Service 2019
Travel grant (~ 1,100 €)
- Volkswagen Foundation 2019
Two-week participation BIGSSS Computational Social Science Summer School on Migration (as participant), Sardinia, IT
- Cologne Graduate School in Management, Economics and Social Sciences, University of Cologne 2015 – 2018
Three-year Ph. D. Fellowship (~ 46,200 €)

AWARDS

- Shortlisted for German Thesis Award ([Deutscher Studienpreis](#)), Körber Foundation 2019
- Best Paper, Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences 2017
- Honorable mention for [early career award](#), European Survey Research Association 2017
- Best Paper ([Preis für sozialwissenschaftliche Aufsätze](#)), Fritz Thyssen Foundation 2016
- [Janet A. Harkness Student Paper Award](#), World Association for Public Opinion Research and American Association for Public Opinion Research 2014
- [Outstanding Contribution](#) for reviewing, Social Science Research 2020

PUBLICATIONS

DOCTORAL THESIS

Czymara, C. S. (2018): Discursive Determinants of Attitudes towards Immigrants: Political Parties and Mass Media as Contextual Sources of Threat Perceptions. Universitäts- und Stadtbibliothek Köln. kups.ub.uni-koeln.de/9150

- Referees: Prof. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Andreß, Prof. Dr. Eldad Davidov, Prof. Dr. Moshe Semyonov
- With distinction (*summa cum laude*)
- Deutscher Studienpreis (shortlist), Körber Foundation

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Code for published studies available at osf.io/b3ugm

- 19 May, A. C. & Czymara, C. S. (2023): Careless Whisper: Political Elite Discourses Activate National Identities for Far-right Voting Preferences. *Nations and Nationalism*. doi.org/10.1111/nana.12985.

- 18 Czymara, C. S. & Bauer, L. (2023): Discursive Shifts in the German Right-Wing Newspaper *Junge Freiheit* 1997-2019: A Computational Approach. *German Politics*. doi.org/10.1080/10.1080/09644008.2023.2231353.
- 17 Nägel, C., Nivette A. & Czymara, C. S. (2023): Do Jihadist Terrorist Attacks Cause Changes in Institutional Trust? A Multi-Site Natural Experiment. *European Journal of Political Research*. doi.org/10.1080/10.1111/1475-6765.12612.
- 16 Czymara, C. S. (2023): Real-World Developments Predict Immigration News in Right-Wing Media: Evidence from Germany. *Mass Communication and Society*. doi.org/10.1080/15205436.2023.2240307.
- 15 Schmidt-Catran, A. W. & Czymara, C. S. (2023): Political Elite Discourses Polarize Attitudes toward Immigration Along Ideological Lines. A comparative longitudinal analysis of Europe in the 21st century. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 49 (1): 85 – 109. doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2022.2132222.
– Media coverage: blogs.lse.ac.uk
- 14 Breznau, N. & 100+ co-authors (2022): Observing Many Researchers Using the Same Data and Hypothesis Reveals a Hidden Universe of Uncertainty. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 119 (44): 1 – 8. doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2203150119.
- 13 Czymara, C. S., Dochow-Sondershaus, S., Drouhot, L. G., Şimşek, M. & Spörlein, C. (2023): Catalyst of hate? Ethnic insulting on YouTube in the aftermath of terror attacks in France, Germany and the United Kingdom 2014–2017. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 49 (2): 535 – 553. Special issue: Computational Approaches to Migration and Integration Research. doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2022.2100552.
- 12 Hoogeveen, S. & 100+ co-authors (2023): A many-analysts approach to the relation between religiosity and well-being. *Religion, Brain and Behavior* 13 (3): 237 – 283. doi.org/10.1080/2153599X.2022.2070255.
- 11 Czymara, C. S. & Mitchell, J. (2023): All Cops are Trusted? How Context and Time Shape Immigrants' Trust in the Police in Europe. *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 46 (1): 72 – 96. doi.org/10.1080/01419870.2022.2060711.
– Media coverage: verfassungsblog.de; phys.org; higgs.ch; Rhein-Main Zeitung (print)
- 10 Langenkamp, A., Cano, T. & Czymara, C. S. (2022): My Home is my Castle? The Role of Living Arrangements on Experiencing the COVID-19 Pandemic: Evidence From Germany. *Frontiers in Sociology* 6: 1 – 14. doi.org/10.3389/fsoc.2021.785201.
- 09 Czymara, C. S. & van Klingeren, M. (2022): New perspective? Comparing Frame Occurrence in Online and Traditional News Media Reporting on Europe's "Migration Crisis". *Communications: The European Journal of Communication Research* 47 (1): 136 – 162. doi.org/10.1515/commun-2019-0188.
- 08 Czymara, C. S. & Eisentraut, M. (2020): 'A threat to the Occident'? Comparing human values of Muslim immigrants, Christian and non-religious natives in Western Europe. *Frontiers in Sociology* 5: 1 – 15. doi.org/10.3389/fsoc.2020.538926.
- 07 Czymara, C. S., Langenkamp, A. & Cano, T. (2021): Cause for Concerns: Gender Inequality in Experiencing the COVID-19 Lockdown in Germany. *European Societies* 23 (S1): 68 – 81. doi.org/10.1080/14616696.2020.1808692.
– Media coverage: faz.net; Frankfurter Neue Presse (print); Hochheimer Zeitung (print); ProSieben

- Policy documents: [European Commission](#); [European Parliament](#); [International Labour Organization](#)
- 06 Czymara, C. S. (2021): Attitudes toward Refugees in Contemporary Europe: A Longitudinal Perspective on Cross-national Differences. *Social Forces* 99 (3): 1306 – 1333. doi.org/10.1093/sf/soaa055.
- 05 Schmidt-Catran, A. W. & Czymara, C. S. (2020): “Did you read about Berlin?” Terrorist Attacks, Online Media Reporting and Support for Refugees in Germany. *Soziale Welt* 71 (2 – 3): 305 – 337. doi.org/10.5771/0038-6073-2020-1-2-201.
- 04 Czymara, C. S. (2020): Propagated Preferences? Political Elite Discourses and Europeans’ Openness toward Muslim Immigrants. *International Migration Review* 54 (4): 1212 – 1237. doi.org/10.1177/0197918319890270.
- 03 Czymara, C. S. & Dochow, S. (2018): Mass Media and Concerns about Immigration in Germany in the 21st Century: Individual-Level Evidence over 15 Years. *European Sociological Review* 34 (4): 381 – 401. doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcy019.
- 02 Czymara, C. S. & Schmidt-Catran, A. W. (2017): Refugees Unwelcome? Changes in the Public Acceptance of Immigrants and Refugees in Germany in the Course of Europe’s “Immigration Crisis”. *European Sociological Review* 33 (6): 735 – 751. doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcx071.
 - Best Paper Award, Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences
 - Early Career Award (honorable mention), European Survey Research Association
 - Policy documents: [World Bank](#)
- 01 Czymara, C. S. & Schmidt-Catran, A. W. (2016): Wer ist in Deutschland willkommen? Eine Vignettenanalyse zur Akzeptanz von Einwanderern (Who is welcome in Germany? A Vignette Study on the Acceptance of Immigrants). *Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie* 68 (2): 193 – 227. doi.org/10.1007/s11577-016-0361-x.
 - Preis der Fritz Thyssen Stiftung für sozialwissenschaftliche Aufsätze
 - Media coverage: Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung (print)

WORKING PAPERS

- Czymara, C. S. & Gorodzeisky, A.: Hostility on Twitter in the Aftermath of Terror Attacks. osf.io/y4dth.
- Breznau, N. & 100+ co-authors (revise & resubmit at *Sociological Methods and Research*): The Reliability of Replications: A Study in Computational Reproductions. osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/j7qta.

RESEARCH NOTES & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Nägel, C., Nivette A. & Czymara, C. S. (2023): Terrorist attacks rarely increase trust in political leaders. *The Loop*. theloop.ecpr.eu/terrorist-attacks-rarely-increase-trust-in-political-leaders.
- Nägel, C., Nivette A. & Czymara, C. S. (2022): The impact of terrorist attacks on trust in institutions: a multi-site natural experiment. Preregistration. osf.io/z8cgu.
- Breznau, N. & 100+ co-authors (2019): The Crowdsourced Replication Initiative: Investigating Immigration and Social Policy Preferences using Meta-Science. Executive Report. osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/6j9qb.
- Czymara, C. S. & Schmidt-Catran, A. W. (2018): Konfundierungen in Vignettenanalysen mit einzelnen d-effizienten Vignettenstichproben (Confounding in Vignette Studies with Single D-Efficient Vignette Samples). *Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie* 70 (1): 93 – 103. doi.org/10.1007/s11577-018-0516-z.

IMPACT

POLICY INSTITUTIONS

- World Bank 2022: [Forced Migration, Social Cohesion and Conflict: The 2015 Refugee Inflow in Germany](#)
- International Labour Organization 2021: [Inequalities and the world of work](#)
- European Parliament 2020: [The gendered impact of the Covid-19 crisis and post-crisis period](#)
- European Commission 2020: [Improving pandemic preparedness and management](#)

MEDIA COVERAGE: IMMIGRATION

- blogs.lse.ac.uk, 08 Jun 2023: [Building bridges: How to overcome polarisation](#)
- verfassungsblog.de, 26 May 2023: [Soviel zum Thema Interkulturelle Kompetenz](#)
- higgs.ch, 31 May 2022: [Warum Geflüchtete der Polizei mit der Zeit weniger vertrauen](#)
- phys.org, 20 May 2022: [Study finds immigrants initially trust police more than locals, but that trust wanes over time](#)
- Rhein-Main Zeitung (print), May 2022, Migranten verlieren Vertrauen in Polizei
- csmonitor.com, 28 Apr 2022: [Moral nation? Why Germany changed course so radically on Russia](#)
- yenisafak.com, 25 Oct 2020: [The 'others' of European host countries: Muslim guest workers, my reply](#)
- Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung (print), 10 Aug 2016: Kulturferne Migranten, nein danke?

MEDIA COVERAGE: COVID-19

- ProSieben (tv), 27 Jan 2021: [Deutschland fragt zu Corona](#)
- Hochheimer Zeitung (print), 18 Sep 2020: Sorgen und Ängste; studie Auswirkungen der Pandemie-Verordnung auf Männer und Frauen
- Frankfurter Neue Presse (print): 14 Sep 2020, Soziologen: Frauen sind die Corona-Verlierer
- faz.net, 12 Sep 2020: [Frauen sorgen sich um Kinder, Männer um das Geld](#)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

AS PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

- “The Attitudinal Consequences of Terrorism”, funded by the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities & the Council for Higher Education Israel from Oct 2022 – Sep 2024 (320,000 NIS \approx 89,400 €)
- “Effects of Significant Events on Public Views of the Police in Europe”, funded by the Goethe Graduate Academy, Goethe University Frankfurt from May 2022 – Apr 2023 (3,000 €)
- “Discursive Determinants of Attitudes towards Immigrants: Political Parties and Mass Media as Contextual Sources of Threat Perceptions”, PhD project, funded by the Cologne Graduate School, University of Cologne from Oct 2015 – Sep 2018 (\sim 46,200 €)

AS TEAM MEMBER

- “When Categories travel: The Social Meanings of Migration-Related Measures”, funded by the Israel Science Foundation from 2020 – 2024 (620,000 NIS \approx 172,380 €), PIs: A. Gorodzeisky & I. Leykin, team member since Oct 2022
- “Ethnische und soziale Unterschiede kleinräumlicher Wohnortwahlen”, funded by the German Research Foundation from 2009 – 2014, PI: H. Esser, student assistant May 2010 – Jun 2012

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

CONFERENCES

- [Academy of Sociology](#), Bern, CH
- [European Survey Research Association](#), Milan, IT

2023

- European Consortium for Political Research, Innsbruck, AT 2022
 - European Consortium for Sociological Research, Amsterdam, NL
 - [International Communication Association](#), Paris, FR
 - European Consortium for Sociological Research, online 2021
 - International Conference on Computational Social Science, online
 - IAB-ECSR: Refugee Migration and Integration Revisited, online
 - Academy of Sociology, Constance, DE 2019
 - European Consortium for Political Research, Wrocław, PL
 - European Sociological Association, Manchester, UK
 - European Survey Research Association, Zagreb, HR
 - European Social Survey, Mannheim, DE
 - International Sociological Association RC28 Spring Meeting, Frankfurt, DE
 - Etmaal: Communication Science and Artificial Intelligence, Nijmegen, NL
 - GESIS-IEDI Tagung zu Migration und interethnischen Beziehungen, Cologne, DE 2018
 - World Association for Public Opinion Research, Marrakesh, MA
 - Conference on Immigration and Social Integration, Ruppiner Academic Center, IL
 - Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences, Bamberg, DE 2017
 - European Survey Research Association, Lisbon, PT
- INVITED TALKS
- Stratification and Inequality Workshop, Tel Aviv University, IL 2022
 - [Sociology Colloquium](#), University of Haifa, IL
 - Vorlesung Politische Soziologie I, University of Bamberg, online 2021
 - Online Colloquium Empirical Social Research, University of Konstanz, online
 - Research Seminar, Umeå University, online
 - Global Refugee and Migration in the Twenty-first Century, 2018
Georgetown University, US
 - InFER Colloquium, Goethe University Frankfurt, DE
 - Seminar Sociology, University of Tilburg, NL
 - Research Seminar, Radboud University Nijmegen, NL

TEACHING

Mean of course evaluations: 1.52 (standard deviation: 0.24)

For all evaluations 1.0 = best

SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES

- Workshops for Ukraine: Introduction to Topic Modelling in R and Python (2h) Oct 2023
- DeZIM Summer School: Einführung in die Panelregression (16h) Aug 2023
- Frankfurt Summer School: Multilevel Analysis (36h) Aug 2021

AS LECTURER

All courses 4h/week, evaluation in brackets

- Längsschnittdatenanalyse in R (1.5/6) summer 2022
- Vergleichende Sozialforschung mit Mehrebenenmodellen in R (1.8/6) winter 2021/22
- Längsschnittdatenanalyse und Kausalität (1.2/6) s 2021
- Längsschnittdatenanalyse und Kausalität (1.2/6) w 2020/21
- Längsschnittdatenanalyse und Kausalität (1.4/6) s 2020
- Vergleichende Sozialforschung mit Mehrebenenmodellen (1.5/6) w 2019/20
- Analyzing longitudinal data and the issue of causality (1.4/6) s 2019
- Quantitative comparative social research with multi-level modeling (1.6/6) w 2018/19
- An applied introduction into quantitative comparative social research (1.7/5) s 2018

AS TUTOR

- Analysis of cross-sectional data (1.4/5) w 2017/18

- Analysis of longitudinal data (NA) s 2017
 - Analysis of cross-sectional data (1.6/5) w 2016/17
 - Analysis of longitudinal data (2.0/5) s 2016
- AS SUPERVISOR
- Advised: 3 BA theses; 8 MA theses
 - Co-advised: 10 BA theses; 8 MA theses

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

REVIEWING

- *Journals*: > 80 reviews, among others: American Political Science Review; American Sociological Review; European Journal of Political Research; European Sociological Review; Social Forces; Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies; Public Opinion Quarterly; International Migration Review; Ethnic and Racial Studies; Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies; Journal of Refugee Studies; PNAS Nexus; Socio-Economic Review; see [ORCID](#)
- *Grant proposals*: VolkswagenStiftung; National Science Center Poland; PSC-City University of New York Research Award Program
- *Conferences*: International Communication Association Conference 2022; IAB-ECSR Refugee Conference 2020 & 2021; International Sociological Association RC28 Spring Meeting 2019

MEMBERSHIPS

International Sociological Association; International Communication Association; European Sociological Association; European Survey Research Association; ISA Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility; ECPR Standing Groups: Political Methodology, Political Communication, Migration and Ethnicity; Akademie für Soziologie

REPRESENTATIVE

- Faculty of Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt w 2021/22 – s 2022
- GRADE Center Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt w 2020/21 – s 2021
- Institute of Sociology, Goethe University Frankfurt w 2018/19 – s 2019

ACADEMIC MANAGEMENT

- *Organizer*: InFER Brown Bag Seminar, Goethe University Frankfurt w 2021/22 – s 2022
- *Chair/discussant/committee*: ECPR General Conference (2022); ECSR (2022); German Stata Conference (2022); IAB-ECSR Refugee Conference (2021); University of Cologne Conference on Comparative Surveys (2017)
- *Supervision* of various student assistants s 2020 – s 2022

References

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