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Current Academic Positions

since 2019 Assistant Professor (without tenure track), Institute of Political Science, Heidelberg University

since 2019 Associate Researcher

Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Institute for Empirical-Anaytical Research (InFER)

Education

2012-2017 **Doctorum rerum socialium (PhD in Political Science), University of Bern** (Grade: summa cum laude)

PhD Thesis: "Personality and Politics in Context. The Interaction of Personality Traits and Contextual Factors in Shaping Political Behavior and Attitudes" (Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Markus Freitag, Prof. Dr. Thorsten Faas)

2010-2012 M.A. in Politics and Public Administration, University of Konstanz (Grade: 1.0)

Programme: Comparative Politics and Policy Analysis; Empirical Methods MA-Thesis: "Mobilisierung im katholischen Milieu? Zum Einfluss der konfessionellen Komposition des Kontextes auf die individuelle Wahlbeteiligung von Katholiken in Deutschland." (Grade: 1.0; Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Peter Selb, Prof. Dr. Markus Freitag)

2006-2010 B.A. in Politics and Public Administration, University of Konstanz (Grade: 1.3)

BA-Thesis: "Bildungsungleichheit im internationalen Vergleich - Empirische Bestandsaufnahme und makropolitische Erklärungsansätze." (Grade: 1.0; Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Markus Freitag, PD Dr. Sven Jochem)

Semester Abroad, Leiden University (the Netherlands)

1997-2006 A-Levels, Burghardt Gymnasium Buchen (Grade: 1.0)

Academic Positions

- 2018-2019 **Postdoctoral Researcher and Lecturer**, Chair of Sociology (Prof. Sigrid Roßteutscher, PhD), Goethe-University Frankfurt
- 2017-2018 SNSF Early Postdoc.Mobility Fellow, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (Host: Prof. Dr. Tom van der Meer), University of Amsterdam – sponsored by an SNSF Early Postdoc.Mobility Grant
- 2012-2017 **Research Assistant**, Chair of Political Sociology (Prof. Dr. Markus Freitag), University of Bern
- Student Assistant, Chair of Survey Research (Prof. Dr. Peter Selb), University of Konstanz
- Student Assistant, Adjunct Professor Dr. Sven Jochem, University of Konstanz
- 2007-2011 **Student and Teaching Assistant**, Chair of Comparative Politics (Prof. Dr. Markus Freitag), University of Konstanz

Publications

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- [17] Ackermann, Kathrin, Daniela Braun, Matthias Fatke and Nayla Fawzi. 2021. Direct Democracy, Political Support and Populism Attitudinal Patterns in the German Bundesländer. Regional & Federal Studies, forthcoming.
- [16] Ackermann, Kathrin, and Birte Gundelach. 2020. The Psychology of Political Consumerism Personality Traits and the Participation in Boycott and Buycott. *International Political Science Review*, online first.doi:10.1177/0192512120959683.
- [15] Filsinger, Maximilian, **Kathrin Ackermann** and Markus Freitag. 2020. Surfing to Help? An Empirical Analysis of Internet and Volunteering in 27 European Countries. *European Societies*, 22(3): 368-389. doi:10.1080/14616696.2019. 1663895.
- [14] Ackermann, Kathrin. 2019. Predisposed to Volunteer? Personality Traits and Different Forms of Volunteering. Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 48(6) 1119-1142. doi:10.1177/0899764019848484.
- [13] Ackermann, Maya, **Kathrin Ackermann**, and Markus Freitag. 2019. The Personality of Stealth Democrats. How traits shape attitudes towards expert-based governing arrangements. West European Politics, 42(3): 573-592. doi:10.1080/01402382.2018.1530494.
- [12] Ackermann, Kathrin, Eros Zampieri, and Markus Freitag. 2018. Personality and Voting for a Right-Wing Populist Party Evidence from Switzerland. Swiss Political Science Review, 24(4): 545-564. doi:10.1111/spsr.12330.
- [11] **Ackermann, Kathrin** and Anita Manatschal. 2018. Online volunteering as a means to overcome unequal participation? The profiles of online and offline volunteers compared. *New Media & Society*, 20(12): 4453-4472. doi:10.1007/10.1177/1461444818775698.
- [10] Ackermann, Kathrin, Maya Ackermann, and Markus Freitag. 2018. Opting for an open society? Personality traits and attitudes toward the openness of Switzerland. *Comparative European Politics*, 16(3), 413-433. doi:10.1057/cep. 2016.18.

- [9] Bauer, Paul C., Pablo Barberá, **Kathrin Ackermann**, and Aaron Venetz. 2017. Is the Left-Right Scale a Valid Measure of Ideology? Individual-Level Variation in Associations with 'Left' and 'Right' and Left-Right Self-Placement. *Political Behavior*, 39(3), 553-583. doi:10.1007/s11109-016-9368-2.
- [8] Ackermann, Kathrin. 2017. Individual Differences and Political Contexts The Role of Personality Traits and Direct Democracy in Explaining Political Protest. Swiss Political Science Review, 23(1), 21-49. doi:10.1111/spsr.12227.
- Freitag, Markus, and **Ackermann, Kathrin**. 2016. Direct Democracy and Institutional Trust: Relationships and Differences across Personality Traits. *Political Psychology*, 37(5), 707-723. doi:10.1111/pops.12293.
- [6] Rapp, Carolin and **Kathrin Ackermann**. 2016. The Consequences of Social Intolerance on Non-Violent Protest Behavior. *European Political Science Review*, 8(4), 567-588. doi:10.1017/S1755773915000211.
- [5] **Ackermann, Kathrin** and Markus Freitag. 2015. Persölichkeit und Parteibindung unter den Bedingungen direkter Demokratie. *Politische Vierteljahress-chrift*, Sonderheft 50 "Politische Psychologie", 91-114. doi:10.5771/97838452544 18-96.
- [4] Ackermann, Kathrin and Maya Ackermann. 2015. The Big Five in Context: Personality, Diversity and Attitudes toward Equal Opportunities for Immigrants. Swiss Political Science Review 21(3), 396-418. doi:10.1111/spsr.121 70.
- [3] Ackermann, Kathrin and Richard Traunmüller. 2015. Zur neuen Relevanz des sozialen Kontexts für das Wahlverhalten. Antwort auf die kritischen Anmerkungen von Franz Urban Pappi. *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* 56(2), 284-298. doi:10.5771/0032-3470-2015-2-284.
- [2] Ackermann, Kathrin and Richard Traunmüller 2014. Jenseits von Schwerkraft und Höllenfeuer. Nicht-lineare Kontexteffekte auf den Zusammenhang von religiöser Gruppenzugehörigkeit und individuellem Wahlverhalten bei fünf Bundestagswahlen. Politische Vierteljahresschrift 55(1), 33-66. doi:10.5771/00 32-3470-2014-1-33.
- [1] Schlicht-Schmälzle, Raphaela and **Kathrin Ackermann**. 2012. Logics of Educational Stratification: A Cross-National Map of Educational Inequality. *ISRN Education*, vol. 2012, Article ID 109647. doi:10.5402/2012/109647.

Books

- [2] Freitag, Markus, Anita Manatschal, **Kathrin Ackermann**, and Maya Ackermann. 2016. Freiwilligen-Monitor Schweiz 2016. Zürich: Seismo.
- [1] Traunmüller, Richard, Isabelle Stadelmann-Steffen, **Kathrin Ackermann**, and Markus Freitag. 2012. Zivilgesellschaft in der Schweiz. Analysen zum Vereinsengagement auf lokaler Ebene. Zürich: Seismo.

Articles in Edited Volumes

[7] **Ackermann, Kathrin**, and Markus Freitag. 2019. Politische Psychologie und die Analyse politischer Eliten. In *Blackbox Exekutive - Regierungslehre in der Schweiz*, Adrian Ritz, Fritz Sager und Theo Haldemann (Hrsg.), 451-466. Basel: NZZ Libro.

- [6] Ackermann, Kathrin and Markus Freitag. 2016. Sozialkapital in der Vergleichenden Politikwissenschaft. In *Handbuch Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*, Hans-Joachim Lauth, Marianne Kneuer and Gert Pickel (eds.), 271-283. Berlin: Springer
- [5] Ackermann, Kathrin and Markus Freitag. 2015. Sag mir, wie du bist, ich sage, wer zu dir passt. Persönlichkeit und Parteibindung. In Wahlen und Waehlerschaft in der Schweiz, Markus Freitag and Adrian Vatter (eds.), 145-162. Zuerich: Verlag Neue Zürcher Zeitung.
- [4] Freitag, Markus and **Kathrin Ackermann**. 2014. "Mir hei e Verein, ghörsch du da derzue?" Vereinsengagement als soziales Kapital der Schweiz. In *Das soziale Kapital der Schweiz*, Markus Freitag (ed.), 41-79. Zürich: Verlag Neue Zürcher Zeitung.
- Ackermann, Kathrin and Markus Freitag. 2014. Freiwilligenarbeit in der Schweiz. Grundlagen, Entwicklungen und förderliche Rahmenbedingungen. In Freiwilligkeit und Vielfalt im Zeichen der Menschlichkeit, Schweizerisches Rotes Kreuz (eds.), 24-45. Zürich: Seismo.
- [2] Ackermann, Kathrin and Markus Freitag. 2014. Der ökonomische Wert sozialer Beziehungen. In Aus der Krise lernen. Auf dem Weg zu einer weltoffenen und humanen Gesellschaft, Erwin Teufel and Winfried Mack (eds.),182-196. Freiburg: Herder.
- [1] Ackermann, Kathrin, Kathrin Dombrowski, Antje Funcke and Sigrid Meinhold-Henschel. 2012. Soziale Ertraege von Bildung. In Warum Sparen in der Bildung teuer ist. Folgekosten unzureichender Bildung für die Gesellschaft, Bertelsmann Stiftung (eds.), 171-192. Gütersloh: Verlag Bertelsmann Stiftung.

Book Review

[1] Ackermann, Kathrin. 2017. Book Review of Sonja Zmerli and Ofer Feldman (eds.), 2015: Politische Psychologie. Handbuch für Studium und Wissenschaft, Baden-Baden: Nomos. Swiss Political Science Review, 23(1), 103-106. doi:10.1111/spsr.12240.

Degree Theses

- [3] Ackermann, Kathrin. 2017. Personality and Politics in Context The Interaction of Personality Traits and Contextual Factors in Shaping Political Behavior and Attitudes. Doctoral Thesis. http://biblio.unibe.ch/download/eldiss/17ackermann_k.pdf.
- [2] Ackermann, Kathrin. 2012. Mobilisierung im katholischen Milieu? Zum Einfluss der konfessionellen Komposition des Kontextes auf die individuelle Wahlbeteiligung von Katholiken in Deutschland. MA-Thesis. http://nbn-resolving.de/urn:nbn:de:bsz:352-209830.
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Project Reports

- [3] Ackermann, Maya, **Kathrin Ackermann**, Giada Gianola and Markus Freitag. 2017 Generationen-Monitor: Das freiwillige Engagement der Generationen. Project Report for Migros-Kulturprozent, Zürich.
- [2] Ackermann, Maya, **Kathrin Ackermann** and Markus Freitag. 2017 Vereins-Monitor: Das ehrenamtliche Engagement in der Schweiz. Project Report for Migros-Kulturprozent, Zürich.
- [1] Ackermann, Kathrin, Birte Gundelach, Thomas Wöhler, Markus Freitag, and Thomas Hinz. 2012. Zusammenleben in Konstanz und Kreuzlingen. Survey Report on the Project "Soziale Integration in multikulturellen Gesellschaften. Eine Analyse von Nachbarschaften der Städte Konstanz und Kreuzlingen."

Teaching Experience¹

Supervision

PhD-Theses Co-Supervisor of Julia Weiss (U Heidelberg, ongoing)

Jury Member of Tillman Eymess (U Heidelberg, 2021)

Jury Member of Annika Lindholm (U Lausanne, 2021)

MA-Theses 14 Theses since 2019 BA-Theses 15 Theses since 2012

U Heidelberg

2021	Political Behavior and Public Opinion in Germany and Europe (MA Level)
2021	"Introduction to Electoral Research - Quantitative Applications in Stata" (BA
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Level)

2020 "Research Seminar" (MA Level)

2020 "Social Structure and Politics" (BA Level)

"Comparative Empirical Democracy Research" (MA Level)

2020 "Empirical Participation Research: Social Capital - Quantitative Applications

in Stata" (BA Level)

2019 "Research Seminar" (MA Level)

2019 "Populism in Germany and Europe" (BA Level)

2019 "Political Behavior and Public Opinion in Germany and Europe" (MA Level)

2019 "Empirical Participation Research: Social Capital - Quantitative Applications

in Stata" (BA Level)

GU Frankfurt

2018 "Research Practice: Social Capital - Quantitative Applications in Stata" (BA Level)

2018 "Citizens and Politics" (BA Level)

U Bern

"Citizens and Politics" (BA Level)

"Selected Aspects of Political Psychology" (BA Level)

"Introduction to Political Psychology" (BA Level)

¹If not otherwise indicated, the courses were taught in German.

"Social Capital in Democracies" (BA Level) 2013 **Guest Lectures** "Personality in Context" (Guest Lecture, University of Bern) 2016 "Personality in Context" (Guest Lecture, University of Bern) 2017 "Social Capital in Switzerland" (Guest Lecture, University of Applied Sciences 2016 and Arts of Western Switzerland) Grants and Awards "Intergenerational Transmission of Citizenship Norms" – Excellence Strategy 2020 U Heidelberg (Flagship Initiative "Transforming Cultural Heritage", Funding Line: "Support Funding") Funding Volume: 17 890 EUR; Role: PI "Blackbox Sustainability" - Excellence Strategy U Heidelberg (Field of Focus 2020 4 "Regulation and Self-Regulation", Funding Line: "Explorer-Projects") Funding Volume: 170 000 EUR; Role: PI "The Rural-Urban Divide in Europe" – NORFACE ("Democratic Governance 2020 in a Turbulent Age" Research Programme) Funding Volume: 1 406 794 EUR (project total), 603 904 EUR (German project): Role: member of the coordinating team "Citizenship Norms Revisited - Concept and Conditions" (Grant No. 172236) 2016 - SNSF Early Postdoc. Mobility Grant for a Visiting Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Amsterdam Funding Volume: 46 900 CHF = ca. 43 544 EUR; Role: PI Travel Grants and Scholarships DAAD Programme Line "Travel Expenses for Conferences" - Participation in 2018 the 25^{th} IPSA World Congress in Brisbane (2 308 EUR) UniBern Forschungsstiftung Travel Grant for participating in the ECPR Gen-2015 eral Conference in Montráal/CA and 111th the APSA Annual Meeting in San Francisco/US (1 860 CHF = ca. 1 777 EUR) SAGW Travel Grant for participating in the 23^{rd} IPSA World Congress in 2014 Montréal/CA (1 200 CHF = ca. 983 EUR) SNSF Scholarship for participating in the Essex Summer School in Social Sci-2013 ence Data Analysis (2 650 CHF = ca. 2 162 EUR) Scholarship of the "Albertus Magnus & Hildegardis-Verein" (Academic Foun-2011-2012 dation of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Freiburg) for the final stage of studies (4 800 EUR) Exemption of Tuition Fees due to excellent academic performance (retroactive 2011-2012 for the top five percent of MA gradudates) (1 000 EUR)

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Erasmus Scholarship for a Semester Abroad at University of Leiden/ the

for the top five percent of BA gradudates) (1 000 EUR)

Netherlands (ca. 775 EUR)

2009-2010

2008-2009

	Awards
2018	Short-listed for the dissertation award of the Swiss Political Science Associations (SPSA/SVPW)
2012	VEUK-Preis (awarded to the best MA graduates at the Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Konstanz)
2019	Questionnaire Proposals Questionnaire Proposal "Digitalized Political Participation" accepted for the Swiss Electoral Studies (Selects) 2019
2015	Questionnaire Proposal "Personality and Politics" accepted for the Swiss Electoral Studies (Selects) 2015 (together with Markus Freitag)
	Mandated Research
2019	Expert Report "Evaluation framework for participation instruments at the EU level" for Bertelsmann Stiftung, Gütersloh
2016	"Generationenmonitor" based on the Swiss Voluntary Survey for MigrosKulturprozent, Zürich
2015	"Vereinsmonitor" based on the Swiss Voluntary Survey for MigrosKulturprozent, Zürich
	Conference Presentations
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2021, 2019,	European Political Science Association (EPSA), Annual Conference
2016, 2015	
2021, 2018,	Swiss Political Science Association (SVPW/ASSP),
2017, 2014,	Annual Conference
2013, 2010	Intermedianal Conjety of Political Payerbology (ICDD) Appual Marting
2020, 2015	International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), Annual Meeting
2019, 2017	Politicologenetmaal, Annual Meeting of the Belgian and Dutch Political Science Association
2018	DVPW Section "Methoden der Politikwissenschaft", Annual Meeting
2018, 2017,	DVPW Working-Group "Wahlen und politische Einstellungen", Annual
2016, 2017,	Meeting
2018, 2017,	European Consortium of Political Research (ECPR), General Conference
2016, 2015	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
2018, 2016,	International Political Science Association (IPSA), World Congress
2014	
2017, 2014	Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Annual Conference

Laboratory for Comparative Social Research (LCSR), Annual Conference

Netherlands Institute of Government (NIG), Annual Work Conference

International Political Science Association (IPSA), World Congress

American Political Science Association (APSA), Annual Meeting

3-Länder-Tagung der DVPW, ÖGPW & SVPW

Political Psychology Conference (PPC Amsterdam)

AK "Quantitative Religionsforschung", Annual Meeting

 $2017 \\ 2016, \, 2014$

2016

2015

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2013

2012

Invited Talks

2021	Seminar "Political Psychology", Center for Political Sociology of Germany, FU
	Berlin (online talk)
2020	Colloquium at the Centre for Research on Prejudice (CBU), University of
	Warsaw (online talk)
2020	MZES-Colloquium, University of Mannheim (online talk)
2020	Colloquium at the Institute of Social Sciences, Heinrich Heine University Düs-
	seldorf
2017	Lunch Seminar at the Center of Citizenship and Democracy, KU Leuven
2016	Workshop "Is Germany prepared for more direct democracy? - Learning from
	experiences and evaluating the perspectives", DIW Berlin
2016	Migration Alliance Bern
2015	Research Seminar at the Institute for Sociology, University of Munich (LMU)

Knowledge Transfer

2021	LSE EUROPP Blog: How personality traits shape our tendency to engage in
	political consumerism (with Birte Gundelach)
2020	DeFacto Blog: Kaufen oder boykottieren? Die psychologischen Wurzeln des
	politischen Konsums (with Birte Gundelach)
2019	DeFacto Blog: Surfen, um zu helfen? Wie die Internetnutzung soziale Ungle-
	ichheiten ausgleicht (with Maximilian Filsinger and Markus Freitag)
2018	DeFacto Blog: Stimmabgabe als Charakterfrage? Wie die Wählerschaft der
	SVP tickt (with Eros Zampieri and Markus Freitag)
2015	DeFacto Blog: Welche Partei passt zu mir? (with Markus Freitag)

Additional Training

Research Management

2020	Management Programme "Towards a Professorship" (U Heidelberg)
2019	Hybrid project management - from classic to agile (U Heidelberg)
2019	Research Data Management and Open Research Data (U Heidelberg)
2019	Leading Yourself (GRADE GU Frankfurt)
	Academic Teaching

2019	Planning and reflecting projects in research-oriented teaching (U Heidelberg)
2016	Seminar design 2.0 - internal teaching workshop (U Bern)
2015	Leading discussions in teaching, research and public (U Bern)
2014	Time Management (U Bern)
2014	Fundamentals of rhetoric (U Bern)
2013	Basics for good university teaching (U Bern)

Methods of Empirical Social Science Research

- Introduction to Machine Learning, GRADE Goethe University Frankfurt (Instructor: Florian Dumpert, University of Bayreuth)
- Geodata in the Social Sciences, GESIS Mannheim (Instructor: Jan-Philipp Kolb, GESIS)
- Introduction to Panel Analysis, GESIS Mannheim (Instructors: Volker Ludwig, Universität Kaiserslautern/ Klaus Pforr, GESIS)
- Automated Data Collection with R, Universität Bern (Instructor: Simon Munzert, Universität Konstanz)
- Hierarchical Models, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis (Instructor: Jeff Gill, Washington University)
- Mathematics for Social Scientists III, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis (Instructor: Edward Codling, University of Essex)
- Structural Equation Modelling using MPlus, GESIS Mannheim (Instructor: Steffen Kühnel, Universität Göttingen)
- Causal Inference, Universität Bern (Instructor: Thomas DiPrete, Columbia University)
- Introduction to R, Universität Konstanz (Instructor: Paul C. Bauer)
- 2010 Polnet Summer School, Meersburg

Professional Activities

Reviewer:

Acta Politica, Canadian Journal of Political Science, European Journal of Political Research, European Policy Analysis, International Political Science Review, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Journal of Social and Political Psychology, Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, Party Politics, Political Psychology, Political Studies, Politische Psychologie, Public Opinion Quarterly, Regional and Federal Studies, Swiss Political Science Review, Swiss Society of Administrative Sciences, Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft

Membership:

- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Wahlforschung (DGfW)
- Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft (DVPW)
- European Political Science Association (EPSA)
- International Political Science Association (IPSA)
- Network "Participation Research" Baden-Württemberg
- Swiss Political Science Association (SVPW/ASSP)

Board Member:

- since 2020 Deputy Member of the Board of the Flagship Initiative "Transforming Cultural Heritage" (U Heidelberg)
- since 2020 Member of the Organizing Team of the "German Political Psychology Network"
- since 2019 Spokesperson of the German Political Science Association (GPSA/DVPW)-AK "Wahlen und politische Einstellungen"
- since 2019 Member of the Professorium at the Institute of Political Science (U Heidel-

berg)

seit 2019 Member of the Faculty Board at the Faculty of Faculty of Economics and So-

cial Sciences (U Heidelberg)

since 2016 Member of the Board of IPSA RC29 "Political Psychology"

2020 Member of the Selection Committee for the Juniorprofessorship "Politics and

Communication in Ibero-America" (U Heidelberg)

2018-2019 Member of the Esser-Preis Jury (GU Frankfurt, FB 03)

Conference Organization:

2020 Annual Meeting of the DVPW-AK "Wahlen und politische Einstellungen" at

U Heidelberg (virtual)

2020 Interdisciplinary 24h of Political Psychology Meeting at FernU Hagen

Panel Chair:

EPSA 2019, DVPW 2018, IPSA 2018, SVPW 2017, ISPP 2015

Skills

Languages: German (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (good), Dutch

(basic), Latinum

Software: R, Stata, JAGS, BUGS, LATEX, MS Office

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