

Nikolina Klatt

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EDUCATION

- 09.2021 – present **Master of Public Policy**, Hertie School, Germany
Average grade: 1.5
- 10.2017 – 03.2022 **B.A. Political Science**, FernUniversität in Hagen, Germany
Thesis: "Scientific evidence in policy narratives" grade 1.0
Overall grade 1.3
- 10.2005 – 11.2011 **Mag. phil. Art History**, University of Vienna, Austria – Graduated with Honors
- 09.2007 – 05.2008 Visiting Student, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Policy Process Research
- Computational Social Science and Text as Data
- Reproductive Rights and Women's Health Policy
- Democratization and Autocratization

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Klatt, Nikolina** and Blum, Sonja. "How does evidence use in policy narratives change throughout crises? A comparative study of New York City's pandemic school shutdowns." **forthcoming** in: *Review of Policy Research*
- Klatt, Nikolina** and Böhret, Ines. 2021. "Women's Rights in Childbirth during the COVID-19 Pandemic: A comparison of WHO guidelines to policies, recommendations, and practices in the US and Germany." In: *Cross-cultural Human Rights Review* (3):1–41,
<http://doi.org/10.52854/cchrr-51>

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Klatt, Nikolina** and Boese-Schlosser, Vanessa. 2023. "[Zwischen Fakten und Fiktion. Wie industrielle Desinformation die Demokratie bedroht](#)" in: *WZB-Mitteilungen*, H. 2,(180):32–35.
- Klatt, Nikolina** and Boese-Schlosser, Vanessa. 2023. "[Authoritarianism and Disinformation: The Dangerous Link](#)" in *The Loop. ECPR's Political Science Blog. Series "Autocracies with Adjectives"*
- Klatt, Nikolina**. 2022. "Die Schliessungen des öffentlichen Schulsystems in New York City während der Covid-19-Pandemie – Eine Fallstudie zu politischen Erzählungen." In: *Facetten Politischer Kommunikation – Beiträge zum 18. Düsseldorfer Forum Politische Kommunikation*, edited by Lara Boden, Robin Schröer, Natalie Ryba, and Leon Becher, Shaker Verlag GmbH.
<https://doi.org/10.2370/9783844087567>
- Klatt, Nikolina**; Hellmeier, Sebastian and Ziblatt, Daniel. 2022. "[Politische Gewalt und Demokratie](#). Konferenzbericht". In: *WZB-Mitteilungen*, H. 4,(178):62.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Klatt, Nikolina**. *Stories of Control and Decline: Analyzing the effects of overturning Roe v. Wade on US politicians' narratives*
- Boese-Schlosser, Vanessa; **Klatt, Nikolina** and Tai, Hugo. *Endangered Democracy*.
- Oh, Dayei; **Klatt, Nikolina** and Nicola Righetti. *Exploring Abortion Discourses: Computational Methodologies and Approaches*.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

10.2021 – present **Graduate Research Assistant**, WZB Berlin

Unit “*Transformations of Democracy*,” Director Prof. Daniel Ziblatt (Harvard University)

- Collect and prepare data for three research pillars: New Threats to Democracy, Democratic Transitions and Authoritarian Persistence and Evolution of Democratic Ideas
- Edit manuscripts for publication in high-ranking academic journals, including *Research & Politics*, *West European Politics*, and *Journal of Conflict Resolution*
- Organize academic workshops and scientific conferences on backsliding democracies with internationally renowned scholars
- Manage website and social media account with almost 3,500 followers to communicate research findings and transfer science to a broader audience

03.2020 – 07.2020 **Research Assistant**, CoronaNet Research Project

- Collected and coded government policies regarding the COVID-19 pandemic as a Country expert for USA (New York State, Washington State, and Montana) and Croatia
- Validated data with high expertise in coding and codebook knowledge
- Contributed to dataset published in *Nature Human Behaviour* Cheng, C., Barceló, J., Hartnett, A.S. *et al.* COVID-19 Government Response Event Dataset (CoronaNet v.1.0). *Nat Hum Behav* 4, 756–768 (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41562-020-0909-7>

10.2010 – 02.2012 **Teaching Assistant**, University of Vienna

- Independent preparation, conceptualization, and implementation of the "Art Description Exercise" in museums and before architectural facades
- Teaching content: Analysis and description of architecture, sculpture, and painting

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL WORKING EXPERIENCE

09.2017 – 02.2018 **Program Development Assistant**, Friendship Ambassadors Foundation, NYC

- Designed conference panels and workshops on the Sustainable Development Goals for the "Youth Assembly at the United Nations"
- Secured speakers from UN agencies, including WHO and UNAIDS, to participate in 16 panels, contributing to a high level of discussion and valuable learning opportunities
- Coordinated speaker outreach and pre-conference engagement for over 30 program partners from civil society, private sector, academia, and international organizations

04.2015 – 01.2017 **Gallery Assistant**, Galerie Valentien, Stuttgart, Germany

10.2012 – 07.2014 **Trainee and Book Editor**, frechverlag GmbH, Stuttgart, Germany

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

2021 – 2023 **Hans N. Weiler Fellowship**, Hertie School of Governance

2019 – 2021 **Deutschlandstipendium Scholarship**, FernUniversität Hagen

2010 **Research Scholarship**, Royal Academy of Arts and the Paul Mellon Center for British Art, London, UK

2007 – 2008 **ERASMUS Exchange Program**, University of Edinburgh, UK

CONFERENCES

07.2024 ECPG “Reproductive Justice: Policy, Politics, and Intersectionality,” **Section Chair**

09.2023 ECPR General Conference, Paper Presentation

08.2023 APSA Annual Meeting 2023, Paper Presentation

06.2023 6th International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP6), Paper Presentation

04.2023 ECPR Joint Sessions Workshop, Paper Presentation

08.2022	ECPR General Conference, Paper Presentation
07.2022	European Conference on Politics and Gender, Paper Presentation
06.2022	International Workshop for Public Policy, Paper Presentation
04.2022	Düsseldorfer Forum für Politische Kommunikation, Paper Presentation
10.2021	COVID-19 PHSMs Research Outcome Conference, Round Table Participation
09.2021	DVPW-Conference, Paper Presentation

MEMBERSHIPS

05.2023 – present	Member of the American Political Science Association (APSA)
08.2022 – present	Member of the Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW)
03.2022 – present	Member of the International Public Policy Association (IPPA)
09.2019 – present	Member of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
04.2021 – present	Member of Women in International Security (WIIS.de) Germany

WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING

07.2023	Summer Institute in Computational Social Science at WZB. Focus on text as data, website scraping, machine learning, and ethics
04.2023	Developing Bots & Scrapers with Python by Pierre Daix-Moreux, Hertie School
03.2023	Introduction to Python by Joshua Ayodele Aje, Hertie School
09.2022	Introduction to Recommender Systems: Theory & Applications by Pierre Daix-Moreux, Hertie School
05.2022	Data Management for Social Scientists: From Files to Databases by Nils Weidmann (University of Konstanz) at WZB Berlin

SKILLS

Programming:	R (advanced) Git & GitHub (intermediate) Python (beginning)
Languages	German (native) English (bilingual proficiency, TOEFL 115/120) French, Spanish, Croatian, Macedonian, ASL (elementary)
Software	MS Office (advanced) Literature reference management programs Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, and Illustrator Social Media (Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook, and Instagram)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

09.2023 – present	Parent Representative at John F. Kennedy School , Berlin
06.2023 – present	Member of Bezirksbeirat Partizipation und Integration Steglitz-Zehlendorf
11.2022 – present	Volunteer for CorrelAid e.V.
03.2022 – present	Volunteer for Doctors for Choice e.V.

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

Prof. **Daniel Ziblatt**, Ph.D., Eaton Professor of the Science of Government at Harvard University and, WZB director of the Department Transformations of Democracy, daniel.ziblatt@wzb.eu
 Dr. **Max Callaghan**, Postdoc Researcher at the Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change (MCC), callaghan@mcc-berlin.net

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