

Nikolina Klatt

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EDUCATION

09.2021 – present **Master of Public Policy**, Hertie School, Germany
Average grade: 1.4

2022 **B.A. Political Science**, FernUniversität in Hagen, Germany
Thesis: "Scientific evidence in policy narratives" grade 1.0
Overall grade 1.3

2011 **Mag. phil. Art History**, University of Vienna, Austria
Graduated with Honors

2007 – 2008 Visiting Student, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Democratization and Autocratization
- Reproductive Rights
- Policy Process Research
- Computational Social Science and Text as Data

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Klatt, Nikolina and Blum, Sonja. 2024 "How does the use of evidence in policy narratives change during crises? A comparative study of New York City's pandemic school shutdowns." In: *Review of Policy Research* (online first), [10.1111/ropr.12589](https://doi.org/10.1111/ropr.12589)

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, [10.52854/cchrr-51](https://doi.org/10.52854/cchrr-51)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Klatt, Nikolina and Boese-Schlosser, Vanessa. 2023. "[Authoritarianism and Disinformation: The Dangerous Link.](#)" In *The Loop. ECPR's Political Science Blog*

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; Hellmeier, Sebastian and Ziblatt, Daniel. 2022. "[Politische Gewalt und Demokratie.](#)" In: *WZB-Mitteilungen*, H. 4(178):62.

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>

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Klatt, Nikolina. *Stories of Control and Decline: Analyzing the effects of overturning Roe v. Wade on US politicians' narratives*

Boese-Schlosser, Vanessa; **Nikolina Klatt**, Janice Ngiam and Daniel Ziblatt. *What Is Democracy (to You)?*

Oh, Dayei; **Nikolina Klatt**, and Nicola Righetti. *Exploring Abortion Discourses: Computational Methodologies and Approaches.*

RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

02.2024 – 09.2024 **Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow**, WZB Berlin

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

Project “*What Is Democracy (to You)?*” with Boese-Schlosser, Vanessa; Nikolina Klatt, Janice Ngiam, and Daniel Ziblatt.

- Design and Implementation of Survey: Development of comprehensive survey, focusing on public perception and understanding of democracy
- Development of Pre-Analysis Plan: Strategize and formulate detailed pre-analysis plan, ensuring methodological rigor and clarity in research objectives
- Academic Writing and Publication: Contribute to the drafting and editing of research papers, targeting submission to esteemed academic journals

10.2021 – 12.2023 **Student 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

2015 – 2017 **Gallery Assistant**, Galerie Valentien, Stuttgart, Germany

2012 – 2014 **Trainee and Book Editor**, frechverlag GmbH, Stuttgart, Germany

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

CONFERENCES

2024	ECPG, Section Chair “Reproductive Justice: Policy, Politics, and Intersectionality” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organization of 9 panels• Panel Chair, Co-Chair and Presenter
2023	Conference on Policy Process Research ECPR General Conference, APSA Annual Meeting 2023 6th International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP6) ECPR Joint Sessions Workshop
2022	ECPR General Conference European Conference on Politics and Gender International Workshop for Public Policy Düsseldorfer Forum für Politische Kommunikation
2021	DVPW-Conference COVID-19 PHSMs Research Outcome Conference, Round Table Participation

WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING

04.2024	COST Sustainability@Leave training school „Work-Care Policies, Gender and Social Inequalities“
07.2023	Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS) 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
08.2021	The Science of Stories: Theory and Practice of the Narrative Policy Framework by Elizabeth A. Shanahan (Montana State University)

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) Zotero Overleaf Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, and Illustrator

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

09.2023 – present	Parent Representative at John F. Kennedy School , Berlin
11.2022 – present	Volunteer for CorrelAid e.V.
03.2022 – present	Volunteer for Doctors for Choice e.V.

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