

# Nicole Schwitter

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Warwick** 2018 - 2023  
*PhD in Sociology* Coventry, UK

Thesis title: The Role of Offline Ties in Online Communities: The Case of Wikipedia.

**University of Leipzig** 2015 - 2017  
*Master of Arts in Sociology* Leipzig, DE

**University of Bern** 2012 - 2015  
*Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences (major) and Computer Science (minor)* Bern, CH

## EXPERIENCE / RESEARCH POSITIONS

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**Research Assistant with Prof. Ulf Liebe** 2018 - 2021  
*University of Warwick, Department of Sociology* Coventry, UK

- Project: Social Status and Prosociality: A Cross-Cultural Study in Four Selected Countries (funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation and German Research Foundation)
- Project: Uncovering Evidence of Structural Poverty Reduction by Re-Using Existing Data at Oxfam GB (funded by the Warwick ESRC Impact Acceleration Account, International Development NGO Data Fund)

**Research Assistant with Prof. Ulf Liebe** 2017  
*University of Bern, Institute of Sociology* Bern, CH

**Student Research Assistant with Prof. Thomas Voss** 2015-2017  
*University of Leipzig, Institute of Sociology* Leipzig, DE

**Internship with the Federal Statistical Office of Germany** June-September 2014  
*Department of National Income and Expenditure, Prices* Wiesbaden, DE

- Project: Feasibility study on the automated price collection on the internet

**Student Assistant** 2013, 2014  
*University of Bern, Department of Economics and Social Sciences* Bern, CH

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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### 2022

- Physalia Courses: Data visualization in R with ggplot2.

### 2021

- ICPSR Summer Program: Multilevel Models II: Advanced Topics; University of Michigan.
- Summer Institute in Computational Social Science; University of Oxford.

### 2020

- ICPSR Summer Program: Data Science and Text Analysis; University of Michigan.

### 2019

- ICPSR Summer Program: Network Analysis II: Advanced Topics, Categorical Data Analysis; University of Michigan.
- Master modules: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Machine Learning, Big Data Research; University of Warwick.

## TEACHING AND GUEST LECTURES

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<b>Seminar Instructor (UG)</b> <i>Introduction to Quantitative Empirical Social Research</i>	2021, 2023 <i>University of Mainz</i>
<b>Guest Lecture (PG)</b> <i>CAS module on Digitalisation for Sustainable Development</i>	2021, 2022 <i>University of Bern</i>
<b>Masterclass Instructor (PG)</b> <i>Q-Step Masterclass in Automated Web Data Collection</i>	2021 <i>University of Warwick</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant (PG)</b> <i>ICPSR Summer Program: Network Analysis II: Advanced Topics</i>	2020, 2021 <i>University of Michigan</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant (UG)</b> <i>Department of Sociology</i>	2018-2021 <i>University of Warwick</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Intermediate Social Analytics: Survey Design and Data Collection</i></li> <li>• <i>Intermediate Social Analytics: Survey Analysis and Reporting</i></li> </ul>	
<b>Workshop Instructor (PG)</b> <i>Introduction to Qualtrics</i>	2020 <i>University of Warwick</i>

## CONFERENCES

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### 2022

- Web Conference: WikiWorkshop, Lyon, FR.
- Frühjahrstagung der DGS-Sektion Soziologische Netzwerkforschung, University of Wuppertal, DE.

### 2021

- Joint Sunbelt and NetSci Conference, Indiana University, Washington D.C., USA.
- Frühjahrstagung der DGS-Sektion Soziologische Netzwerkforschung, University of Wuppertal, DE.

## INVITED TALKS

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### 2023

- Digitaler Themenstammtisch, Wikipedia.

### 2022

- Digitaler Themenstammtisch, Wikipedia.
- Forschungskolloquium, University of Mainz, DE.

### 2021

- Seminar series, Mind Odyssey Café, London, UK.

### 2019

- Q-Step Methods Spring Camp on social media analysis (with Alexia Pretari), University of Warwick, Coventry, UK.
- Workshop “Where research meets practice: collaborating for maximum impact in international development” (with Ulf Liebe), Institute for Fiscal Studies, London, UK.

## FUNDING AND GRANTS

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<b>Digital Humanities Fellowship</b> <i>Deutsche Nationalbibliothek</i>	01-06/2023
<b>Project Grant (\$26000)</b> <i>Wikimedia Foundation</i>	2021-2022
<b>North America Bursary (\$5000)</b> <i>International Office of the University of Warwick</i>	2019

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed

Schwitter, N., Pretari, A., Marwa, W., Lombardini, S. and Liebe, U. (2022). Big data and development sociology: An overview and application on governance and accountability through digitalization in Tanzania. *Frontiers in Sociology*. DOI: 10.3389/fsoc.2022.909458

Liebe, U., Schwitter, N. and Tutić, A. (2022). Individuals of high socioeconomic status are altruistic in sharing money but egoistic in sharing time. *Scientific Reports*, 12: 1083. DOI: 10.1038/s41598-022-14800-y

Schwitter, N. and Liebe, U. (2022). Does living in districts with higher levels of ethnic violence affect refugees' attitudes towards the host country? Empirical evidence from Germany. *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 45(15): 2793-2821.. DOI: 10.1080/01419870.2022.2052141

Liebe, U. and Schwitter, N. (2021). Explaining Ethnic Violence: On the Relevance of Geographic, Social, Economic, and Political Factors in Hate Crimes on Refugees. *European Sociological Review*, 37(3): 429-448. DOI: 10.1093/esr/jcaa055

Schwitter, N. (2022, published online 2020). Social capital in retirement villages: A literature review. *Ageing and Society*, 42(7): 1560-1588. DOI: 10.1017/S0144686X20001610

Liebe, U., Schwitter, N. and Tutić, A. (2019). Objektiver Status, subjektiver Status und Prosozialität bei Schweizer Berufsschülerinnen und Berufsschülern. *Schweizerische Zeitschrift für Soziologie*, 45(1): 57-81. DOI: 10.2478/sjs-2019-0004

### Other Publications

Schwitter, N. and Liebe, U. (2020). Going Digital: Web data collection using Twitter as an example. Oxford: Oxfam GB. DOI: 10.21201/2020.5686

- Shared in podcast: Coronavirus and Web Data Analysis. *Oxfam Real Geek Series*.

Schwitter, N. and Liebe, U. (2019). Twitter Data Analysis. In A. Pretari, *Active Citizenship in Tanzania: Impact Evaluation of the 'Governance and Accountability through Digitalization' project*. Impact Evaluation Report 2017-2019: Chapters 3.4 and 4.3. Oxford: Oxfam GB. DOI: 10.21201/2019.4764

### Software

R package: *ISCO08ConveRsions*: Converts ISCO-08 to Job Prestige Scores, ISCO-88 and Job Name.

**SKILLS**

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<b>Languages</b>	German (native), English (fluent), French (conversational)
<b>Programming</b>	Data bases (SQL), Python, Java, JavaScript, Pascal
<b>Statistics</b>	R, Stata
<b>Protocols</b>	XML, JSON