

# Philipp Meyer

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## Research Interests

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- Judiciary** Judicial politics and judicial behavior in modern political systems, Judicial public relations, Court-media relations;
- Comparative** Political communication, Media-politics, Comparative political institutions;
- Methods** Quantitative text analysis, machine learning

## Formal Education

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- since 2015 **PhD Candidate** Political Science, Leibniz University Hannover  
PhD Thesis: "Communicating judicial decisions: Court press releases and their effect on the news" (submitted, 10 June 2020)
- 2011-2014 **Master of Arts** Political Science, University of Bamberg
- 2007-2011 **Bachelor of Arts** Political Science and History, University of Greifswald

## Work Experience

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- 2015 - current **Lecturer & Research Fellow** at the Chair for Comparative Politics and German Politics, Leibniz University Hannover
- 2015-2016 **Research Fellow** at the DFG funded research project "The German Federal Constitutional Court as Veto Player" (CCDB)
- Apr 2011 - Jun 2014 **Research Associate** at the Leibniz Institute for Educational Trajectories, Bamberg
- Apr 2013 - Aug 2013 **Research Trainee** at the Heinrich-Böll Foundation, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

## Publications

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### Journal articles

- 2019 “Judicial Public Relations: Determinants of Press Release Publication by Constitutional Courts.” *Politics*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0263395719885753>.
- 2020 “Explaining media coverage of Constitutional Court decisions in Germany: The role of case characteristics.” Accepted for publication in *Political Communications*.
- “Dominating the Debate: Visibility Bias and Mentions of British MPs in Newspaper Reporting on Brexit.” (together with Christoph Hönnige, Dominic Nyhuis, Philipp Köker & Susumu Shikano). Accepted for publication in *Political Research Exchange*.

### Book Chapters

- 2019 “Rolle und Einfluss des Bundesverfassungsgerichts in der Amtszeit der Regierung Merkel III” In Zohlnhöfer, Reimut/ Saalfeld, Thomas (ed.) *Zwischen Stillstand, Politikwandel und Krisenmanagement. Eine Bilanz der Regierung Merkel 2013-2017*. Wiesbaden: Springer VS, S. 317-341. (together with Christoph Hönnige)
- 2017 “Der Niedersächsische Staatsgerichtshof” In Reutter, Werner (ed.) *Landesverfassungsgerichte. Entwicklung – Aufbau – Funktionen*. Wiesbaden: Springer VS, S.219-241. (together with Christoph Hönnige)

### Outreach

- 2013 “Improving livelihood and natural resource sustainability by a combination of two systems” Research Paper for the Heinrich Böll Foundation Cambodia, Resource Governance Section, Phnom Penh. ([link here](#))

### Paper under review

- “Promoted Media Coverage: When Newspapers use Court Press Releases for News Content.” Revise and Resubmit at *Journalism Studies*.
- “Understanding intra-institutional agenda-setting effects: An assessment of the two policy agendas at the German Federal Constitutional Court.” Under review at *Journal of Public Policy*.

## Working Paper

“International Judicial Relations: A Network Analysis of Court Visits.”

“De Jure Judicial Independence Measures and the Problem of Validity: A Case Study on Poland.” (together with Philipp Köker & Christoph Hönige)

“Constitutions without Protection? Judicial Strength in a State of Emergency.” (together with Benjamin G. Engst)

## Teaching Experience

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### University Teaching

Winter 2019	Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft – Seminar mit Tutorium (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Summer 2019	Praxis der Verfassungsgebung: Ein Planspiel (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Winter 2018	Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft – Seminar mit Tutorium A (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate) Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft – Seminar mit Tutorium B (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Summer 2018	Populismus in Vergleichender Perspektive – Klassifizierung von Parteien, Verbänden und Bewegungen (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Winter 2017	Moderne Demokratien im Vergleich – Lektürekurs (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate) Introduction to Text Analysis and Digital Research (together with Justin Chun-ting Ho, Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate) Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft – Seminar mit Tutorium (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Summer 2017	The Politics of Attention (Leibniz University Hannover, graduate) Institutionen der Weimarer Republik – Lehrforschungsseminar (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Winter 2016	Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft – Seminar mit Tutorium (Leibniz Universität Hannover, B.A.) Moderne Demokratien im Vergleich – Lektürekurs (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Summer 2016	Moderne Politische Opposition in westlichen Regierungssystemen (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Winter 2015	Moderne Demokratien im Vergleich – Lektürekurs (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate) Moderne Demokratien im Vergleich – Forschungswerkstatt mit R (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)
Summer 2015	Parteien und Parteiensystem Deutschlands in vergleichender Perspektive (Leibniz University Hannover, undergraduate)

## Winter & Summer Schools

Winter 2019    Automated Web Data Collection with R (Teaching Assistant, ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques, Bamberg, Germany)

## Lectureships

Spring & Summer 2018    Politische Bildung Block H & I (Training programme of the federal police headquarters Hannover, Germany)

## Conference Presentations

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[CAP](#)    2017, 2018

[DVPW](#)    2016 (Themengruppe Politik und Recht)

[ECPR](#)    2016, 2017, 2019 (Standing Group Advances in the Empirical and Theoretical Study of Parliaments), 2020

[EPSA](#)    2018

[POLTEXT](#)    2018, 2019

## Conference organization

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[ECPR](#)    2020, Panel organization, Standing Group on Law and Courts: “Text Analysis in Judicial Politics” (together with Lisa Lechner, Universität Innsbruck), “Communicating the Judiciary” (together with José M. Reis, Universität Hamburg)

## Service to the discipline and to the university

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[Journal Reviewer](#)    Sociology Compass

[University service](#)    Member of the departmental examination board, Department of Political Science, Leibniz University Hannover (since 2018)  
Member of the interdisciplinary working group on misanthropic ideologies (Arbeitskreis zum Umgang mit menschenfeindlichen Ideologien), Leibniz University Hannover (2015-2017)

## Grants

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2019    [POLTEXT Tokyo](#) Conference travel grant (1.690 € / 200.290 ¥)

2015-2017    [Grant to organize seminar series](#) Participation in the acquisition of university grants for the organization of semi-annual events of the working group on misanthropic ideologies (Arbeitskreis zum Umgang mit menschenfeindlichen Ideologien) (10.675 €)

2013    [DAAD PROMOS](#) travel grant (1.400 €)

## Prizes & Awards

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2020    **Teaching prize, category “Seminar”** Student award for the best lecturer in the category “Seminar” at the Department of Political Science of the Leibniz University Hannover

## Technical Skills

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**Expert:**    R, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, MS-Office  
**Intermediate:**    Python, SPSS  
**Novice:**    Stata, MySQL

## Training

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**Jul 2018**    coursera: “Using Databases with Python”,  
University of Michigan  
Overall Grade: 95.1%

**Mar 2018**    coursera: “Using Python to Access Web Data”,  
University of Michigan  
Overall Grade: 97.9%

**Feb 2018**    coursera: “Python Data Structures”,  
University of Michigan  
Overall Grade: 96%

**Jan 2018**    coursera: “Programming for Everybody (Getting Started with Python)”,  
University of Michigan  
Overall Grade: 96.6%

**Apr 2017**    Workshop: “Text Learning Workshop”,  
Prof. Dr. Kenneth Benoit, London School of Economics – Methodology,  
London, Great Britain

**Mar 2017**    Winter school: “Automated Web Data Collection with R”,  
Dr. Dominic Nyhuis, ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques,  
Bamberg, Germany

**Jul 2017**    Summer school: “Quantitative Text Analysis”,  
Prof. Dr. Inaki Sagarzazu, IPSA-NUS Summer School for Social Science  
Research Methods, Singapore

**2016-2017**    Advanced vocational training: “Pro Lehre (certificate in learning and teaching in higher education)”,  
Hochschuldidaktisches Zertifikatsprogramm der LUG, Hannover, Germany

**Aug 2015**    Summer school: “Statistical Programming with R”,  
Dr. Gerko Vink, Utrecht Summer School, Utrecht, Netherlands

## Languages

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**Fluent:**    English  
**Native:**    German