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Research Interests

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

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

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

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 Christop 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 Pen. ([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

University Teaching

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| 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

[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

[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

[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

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

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

Expert: R, L^AT_EX, MS-Office
Intermediate: Python, SPSS
Novice: Stata, MySQL

Training

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 traing: “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

Fluent: English
Native: German