

Curriculum Vitae
Viktor Decker

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam (ongoing)
Thesis: Mechanisms of career inequality: (Dis)advantages of vocational education over the life course
Promotor: Prof. Dr. Thijs Bol, Co-Promotors: Jun.-Prof. Dr. Hanno Kruse, Dr. Marie Labussière

Visiting researcher, Department of Sociology and Social Psychology, University of Cologne, 2022
Host: Prof. Dr. Thomas Leopold

M.Sc. Sociology and Social Research, University of Cologne, 2021

B.Sc. Social Science, University of Cologne 2019

Visiting student, School of Politics and International Relations, University College Dublin, 2017

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journal articles Decker, Viktor, Marie Labussière & Thijs Bol. 2025. How routine tasks affect labor market inequalities between vocational and tertiary graduates over the career. *Social Science Research* (publication pending).

Decker, Viktor, Thijs Bol & Hanno Kruse. 2023. Life-Course Differences in Occupational Mobility Between Vocationally and Generally Trained Workers in Germany. *Sociological Science*.

Manuscripts in preparation Decker, Viktor, Marco Seegers. Closing the gap? The impact of further training for career inequality between workers with vocational and general education. Target journal: *European Sociological Review*.

Decker, Viktor. Understanding Differences in Employment Between Workers with Vocational and General Education over the Career. Target journal: *Social Forces*.

Other publications Decker, Viktor. 2022. What's your work? The 10 most common jobs for workers with general and vocational education in Europe. Career project: [Blog post](#).

Burchartz, Luisa & Viktor Decker. 2022. The story behind the logo: The late-career penalty. Career project: [Blog post](#).

INVITED TALKS

2024 BIBB colloquium, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2024/25	Advanced Statistics, University of Amsterdam, seminar (Bachelor)
2023/24	Education and Work, University of Amsterdam, seminar (Bachelor)
2022/23	Advanced Statistics, University of Amsterdam, seminar (Bachelor)
2021/22	Advanced Statistics, University of Amsterdam, seminar (Bachelor)
2020/21	Advanced Quantitative Methods, University of Cologne, seminar (Master)
2018/19	Advanced Statistics, University of Cologne, seminar (Bachelor)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2025	Annual Conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research, University of Cologne, Germany
2024	Annual Conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research, Universitat Pompeu Fabra of Barcelona, Spain
2023	Annual Conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research, Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic Dag van de Sociologie, Ghent University, Belgium
2022	Annual Conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility, Spring meeting, London School of Economics, United Kingdom

WORKSHOPS AND COURSES ATTENDED

2025	ICS Annual Masterclass, taught by Prof. Dr. Marc Helbling, Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology, Netherlands CAREER Workshop, Skills and Careers in Changing Labour Markets, facilitated by Prof. Dr. Thijs Bol, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
2024	CAREER goes BIBB Workshop, facilitated by Dr. Judith Offerhaus, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany ECONtribute Workshop, Methods for Studying Life Events and Trajectories: Interdisciplinary Perspectives, facilitated by Prof. Dr. Thomas Leopold, University of Cologne, Germany GOVPET PhD Workshop, Skill mismatches and shortages Discourses, policies and politics between education, labour markets and migration, facilitated by the GOVPET team, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
2022	Trento School of Applied Quantitative Research, taught by Dr. Enrique Fernández-Macías, Jun.-Prof. Dr. Zachary Parolin, Prof. Dr. Michele Raitano & Dr. Matteo Sostero, University of Trento, Italy

ACTIVITIES

Reviewer for Journals	Social Science Research, Social Forces
Events organized	Co-organizer of the CAREER workshop, two-day event with international participants, University of Amsterdam, 2025 (with T. Bol, M. Labussière & L. Burchartz) Coordinator of the Quantitative Research on Social Inequalities PhD Club, interdisciplinary discussion series for PhD students, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, University of Amsterdam, 2022 – 2025
Institutional Responsibilities	Board of the Amsterdam Centre for Inequality Studies, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, 2024 – 2025 Faculty PhD Council, Faculty of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Amsterdam, 2023 – 2025 PhD Representative, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, University of Amsterdam, 2023 – 2025
Affiliations	Amsterdam Institute of Social Science Research, since 2021 Amsterdam Center for Inequality Studies, since 2021 European Consortium for Sociological Research, since 2021 International Sociological Association, Research committee 28, since 2022 Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology, since 2021

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Germany (native speaker)
English (professional working proficiency)
Dutch (B1)
French (B1)

RESEARCH SOFTWARE

Stata (proficient)
SPSS (proficient)
R (working knowledge)
LaTeX (working knowledge)
Python (beginner)