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Data & Migration Policy Researcher

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HARD SKILLS

Stata | R | MRP
Small Area Estimations
Latex | Survey Design
Big Data Analysis
Causal Inference
Academic Instructor

EXPERTISE

Public Opinion Analysis
Migration Policies
Electoral Behavior
Election Prediction
German Politics
American Politics

LEARNING

Python | Machine Learning
SQL | Web Scraping

LANGUAGES

German: Native
English: Fluent / C2
Italian: Intermediate / B1
French: Beginner / A2
Spanish: Beginner / A2

REFERENCES

Prof. Peter Enns
Prof. Tom Pepinsky

MOST PROUD OF

Best Prediction Model for American Elections 2020 (49/50 states).
Data-drive Dissertation on Political Participation of Immigrants in Germany (2022).

ABOUT ME

I am passionate about finding new solutions to data-related problems. When a task required using R, I self-taught R. When small area estimates required learning "Multi-level Regression & Poststratification" (MRP), I self-taught MRP. When certain census data was only available in dusty data vaults, I went there to run my models in an internet-free environment. I am looking forward to working in an environment that provides opportunities to re-think and innovate data and data science. My vast international experience enables me to broaden and diversify my approaches to (data) problems from different perspectives.

EXPERIENCE

Researcher & Instructor | Cornell University

📅 09 2016 – 08 2022　　　　　📍 Ithaca, USA

- Researcher and Research Team Leader for Quantitative Projects
- Track Record of Peer-Reviewed Research in International Journals
- International Research Collaborations with Professors in the US, Canada, Germany, India, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom
- Instructor for several university-level classes on Comparative Politics, European Politics, and Quantitative Methods

BlueBook Trainee | DG RTD, EU Commission

📅 03 2016 – 07 2016　　　　　📍 Brussles, Belgium

- Responsible for International Collaboration of Horizon 2020 Projects with Turkey and Western Balkan Countries
- Implementation of Transnational Research Initiatives for Western Balkan Countries

EDUCATION

PhD in Government | Cornell University

📅 08 2022　　　　　📍 Ithaca, USA

- Thesis: Political Participation of Immigrant-origin Citizens in Germany
- GPA: 3.8

M.A. in Political Science & Economics | University of Heidelberg

📅 03 2016　　　　　📍 Heidelberg, Germany

- Thesis: Conditional Foreign Aid Flows. Foreign aid and political parties in donor countries in a dyadic time cross-sectional panel
- Recipient of the Heidelberg-Cornell Graduate Exchange Grant ($ 56,031)　　　2014
- GPA: 4.0

B.A. in Political Science & Modern History | University of Heidelberg

📅 07 2013　　　　　📍 Heidelberg, Germany

- Thesis: Determinants of Social Spending in OECD countries
- ERASMUS with National University of Ireland, Galway 2011
- GPA: 3.7

PROJECTS & PUBLICATIONS

Immigrant-origin Citizens in Germany | 📄 | 🗄️

📅 ongoing

- Quantitative Research Papers on Political Participation and Representation of Immigrant-origin citizens using Stata & R code. Based on Public Opinion data between 1950-2021, Small Area Administrative data, and original archival data.
- Collaboration with NGOs in Berlin (Citizens for Europe, Correlaid) and other researchers (Prof. Arndt Leininger) to access micro-census data in data vaults.
- Public engagement with the media and politicians via Policy Paper and national German Press Conference

Election Prediction & State-Level Policy Mood | 📄 | 🗄️

📅 10 2020 and ongoing

- Collection and Harmonization of >1000 surveys in the US with over 1 Mio. respondents. We use Multi-level Regression & Poststratification (MRP) and Prediction Models to predict the election results of 2020 on state-level.
- Publication of the results prior to the election in peer reviewed PS Forecast Symposium and additional articles in the Miami Law Review and "State Politics & Policy Quarterly"

Additional Peer Reviewed Publications

"State Policy Mood: Updated measures of over time dynamics."(accepted; forthcoming: *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*)
"Using Election Forecasts to Understand the Potential Influence of Campaigns, Media, and the Law in U.S. Presidential Elections." *University of Miami Law Review. 2021 Symposium*
Forecasting the 2020 Electoral College Winner: The State Presidential Approval/State Economy Mode, PS: Forecast Symposium 2020
"Understanding the 2016 US Presidential Polls: The Importance of Hidden Trump Supporters." *Statistics, Politics and Policy*

Popular Media Engagement

Angela Merkel's bloc lost ground in Sunday's election. So who won? Monkey Cage - The Washington Post, 9/30/21.
Germany's diversity shows as immigrants run for parliament, Interview cited in Associated Press by Kirsten Grieshaber 9/22/2021.Also published (among others) in: The Washington Post, ABC News, New India Express (India), or the Mainichi (Japan)
Trump versus Biden wer gewinnt die US Wahl. Interview with *Markforschung.de, Germany,* before the 2020 election in German, 29/10/2020. *Most read article in October 2020.*
"El misterio de los votantes ocultos: por qué las encuestas volvieron a subestimar el apoyo a Donald Trump" Interview cited in *infobae, Argentina,* after the 2020 election in Spanish, 8/11/2020.
"L'économie pèsera-t-elle lourd dans l'élection américaine?" Work cited in *Le Figaro, France,* before the 2020 election in French, 25/10/2020.
"We predicted the states Biden would win 100 days before the election", Monkey Cage - The Washington Post, 12/11/20.
"Germany's far-right party AfD won the Facebook battle. By a lot." Monkey Cage - The Washington Post, 26/09/17.
"Why the polls missed in 2016: Was it shy Trump supporters after all?", Monkey Cage - The Washington Post, 13/12/16.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

PhD Sage Stipend Cornell University 2022 ($ 30,088)	2022
Ernst-Mach-weltweit Stipend, OeAD Austria 2021 (€ 4,400)	2021
EUROLAB Grant, GESIS, (travel and accommodation)	2020
Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies (€ 18,000)	2019
Ernst-Mach-weltweit Stipend, OeAD Austria 2019/2020 (€ 9,900) (declined)	2020
Einaudi Sicca Travel Grant ($ 3,000)	2018
Einaudi Travel Grant for Research ($ 800)	2018
Mercatus Center Adam Smith Fellowship ($ 5,000)	2018
Supplementary Summer Funding Gov. Department Cornell University ($ 2,100)	2017
Houston I. Flournoy Graduate Fellowship ($ 4,000)	2017
Heidelberg-Cornell Graduate Exchange Program ($ 56,031)	2014
Fulbright Travel Grant (€ 2,000)	2014
ERASMUS Stipend for Ireland (€ 720)	2011