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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- from 08/26      **Trinity College Dublin**  
*Assistant Professor in Political Science*  
Institution: Department of Political Science
- 10/24 - 07/26      **Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse (IAST)**  
*Postdoctoral Research Fellow*  
Institution: Toulouse School of Economics (TSE)

## AFFILIATIONS

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- 10/24 - today      **Humboldt Governance Lab (Humboldt GovLab)**  
*Affiliated Researcher*  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

## EDUCATION

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- 09/21 - 09/24      **The Dynamics of Demography, Democratic Processes and Public Policy**  
*Doctorate (Dr. phil., Ph.D.) in Political Science (summa cum laude)*  
Title: Illiberal Politics in Contemporary Democracies: Electoral, Institutional, and Behavioral Consequences  
Committee: Heike Klüver (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin), Mark A. Kayser (Hertie School), Rafaela M. Dancygier (Princeton University)
- 04/19 - 08/21      **Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**  
*M.A. Social Sciences*  
Final Grade (German): 1.0 ("A")
- 10/14 - 03/19      **Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**  
*B.A. Social Sciences*  
Final Grade (German): 1.0 ("A")

## RESEARCH VISITS

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- 2025                      **Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung (MZES)**  
*Visiting Fellowship for Postdocs*  
Institution: University of Mannheim
- 2023                      **Princeton University**  
*Visiting Researcher*  
Sponsor: Rafaela M. Dancygier  
Institution: The Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice  
Initiative: Initiatives on Contemporary European Affairs (ICEA)

## RESEARCH

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research focuses on the **politics of belonging**, examining how institutions and elites shape public perceptions of and behavior toward marginalized communities.

### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Haas, V. I., Bogatyrev, K., Abou-Chadi, T., Klüver, H., & Stoetzer, L. (2025). The Electoral Effects of State-Sponsored Anti-LGBTQ Measures. *Accepted at The Journal of Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1086/739782>
- Haas, V. I., Stoetzer, L. F., Schleiter, P., & Klüver, H. (2023). Can wedge strategies by mainstream parties cross-cut the anti-immigration far right vote?. *Electoral Studies*, 83, 102617. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2023.102617>

### WORKING PAPERS & WORK IN PROGRESS

1. **Panic at the Courtroom: Can Legislative Action against Discrimination in Court Reduce Violence?**
  - Draft available upon request
  - Target journal: American Political Science Review
2. **The Police as Gatekeepers of Information: Immigration Salience and Selective Crime Reporting**  
with Ashrakat Elshehawy, Arun Frey, Sascha Riaz, and Tobias Roemer
  - Pre-print: <https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/trhys-v1>
3. **Beyond Persuasion: Protest's Direct Behavioral Impact on Bystanders**  
with Daniel Bischof, Ferdinand Geissler, Johannes Giesecke, Felix Hartmann, Macartan Humphreys, Heike Klüver, Lukas Stötzer, and Tim Wappenhans
  - Pre-print: <https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/42s8e>
4. **Electoral Responses to Local Cooperations with Radical-Right Parties**  
with Phillip Heyna, Hanno Hilbig, Tim Wappenhans

- Draft available upon request
  - Target journals: The Journal of Politics; British Journal of Political Science
5. **How Good Ancestors Make Good Citizens: Norm Legacies and the Activation of Pro-Social Behavior**  
with Mirko Wegemann
- Early work in progress
  - To be submitted as Registered Report
6. **Signs of Belonging: Measuring Group Segregation and Contact in Space using AI**
- Early work in progress
  - Grant awarded by the Institute for Humane Studies (IHS) at George Mason University, Cosmos x IHS AI-Accelerated Scholarship Program

## GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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- **Cosmos x IHS AI-Accelerated Scholarship Grant**  
Organization: Institute for Humane Studies (IHS)  
Type: Project Funding  
Project: Signs of Belonging: Measuring Group Segregation and Contact in Space using AI
- **MZES Visiting Fellowship for Postdocs**  
Organization: University of Mannheim  
Type: Full coverage of visit
- **Fellowship Summer School for Women in Political Methodology**  
Organization: University of Basel  
Type: Full tuition costs and accommodation
- **Faculty Award for Good Teaching (2nd place)**  
Organization: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Type: Teaching Grant
- **Enrollment and Student Health Care Fee Grant**  
Organization: The Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice  
Type: Research stay at Princeton University
- **Department Young Scholar Grant**  
Organization: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Type: Visa and travel costs for research stay
- **Erasmus+ Staff Training Mobility Grant**  
Sending Organization: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Receiving Organization: Central European University (CEU), Budapest  
Type: ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques fees

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE & SUPERVISION

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- 02/25 & 01/26      **Guest Lecture: Introduction to Large Language Models in Social Sciences**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Position: Guest Lecturer  
Materials: [here](#)
- 06/25      **Inclusion/exclusion in the political sphere: suffrage extensions and quotas**  
Institution: Toulouse Summer School in Quantitative Social Sciences  
Position: Instructor for student presentations and discussion
- 10/23 - 03/24      **Hate in Context: Investigating Contextual Drivers of Bias-Motivated Crime**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Position: Lecturer  
Syllabus: [here](#)
- 10/22 - 03/23      **Comparative Politics and International Relations**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Position: Lecturer  
Student Evaluation: overall assessment 4/4 (average of other lecturers: 3.8)
- 10/15 - 03/19      **Statistics I & II**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Position: Teaching Assistant
- 10/16 - 11/16      **Orientation Days for First-Year Students**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Course: Introduction to the Techniques of Scientific Work  
Position: Teaching Assistant

### Supervision:

- Co-supervisor. Bachelor's Thesis. Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. 2025.

## ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 01/20 - 08/21      **Editorial Assistant, The Journal of Politics (JOP)**  
Field: Comparative Political Behaviour
- 09/19 - 08/21      **Research Assistant, Cluster of Excellence "Contestations of the Liberal Script"**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Project: "Social Inequalities, Migration and the Rise of Populist Parties"
- 10/18 - 08/19      **Research Assistant, Chair of Comparative Political Behavior**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
- 02/16 - 06/16      **Research Assistant, Socio-Economic Panel (SOEP)**  
Institution: German Institute for Economic Research (DIW)  
Field: Empirical Migration and Integration Research
- 10/15 - 03/19      **Research & Teaching Assistant, Chair of Empirical Social Research**  
Institution: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Courses: Statistics I & Statistics II

## INVITED TALKS

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- 2026: Department of Political Science Speaker Series, University of Barcelona  
Political representation and minority interests in democracy Workshop, Aarhus University  
Economics Brownbag Seminar Series, King's College London  
Behavioural Political Economy workshop, the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)
- 2025: MZES Speaker Series, Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung  
Progressive Politics Research Network Workshop, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Fritz Thyssen Stiftung Workshop "Bridging Boundaries: Advancing Gender and Politics through Quantitative Methods," Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich  
Workshop on Representation in Divided Democracies, ETH Zurich
- 2023: Political Behaviour Colloquium, European University Institute  
Queer Politics Webinar, Online

## CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

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### *Conferences:*

- International Political Science Association (IPSA) World Congress: 2025
- European Political Science Association (EPSA): 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- German Political Science Association (DVPW): 2024
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA): 2023

### *Workshops & Specialized Conferences:*

- 2024: Interdisciplinary Workshop on Identity and Politics, Toulouse School of Economics  
Nordic Political Behavior Workshop, Aarhus University
- 2023: Texas Economics of Crime Workshop, University of Texas Austin  
Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Social Science, New York University
- 2022: OX/BER Workshop on Political Behaviour and Comparative Political Economy, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
European Graduate Network Conference, European University Institute
- 2021: The Rise of Grassroots Radicalism and its Political Effects Workshop, Berlin Social Science Center

## SERVICES TO THE PROFESSION

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### *(Co-)Organizer:*

- IAST General Seminar Speaker Series 2025/2026 ([programme](#))
- Workshop on the Political Economy of Autocratic Rule & Democratic Backsliding at IAST, 2025 ([programme](#))
- The Queer Politics Webinar (terms: 2023/24, 2024/25, and 2025/26)
- The Empirical Political Science in Progress (EPSIP) Colloquium at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin 2021/2022

### *Mentor:*

- The EPSA LGBTQ+ Mentorship Program

### *Reviewer:*

- The Journal of Politics, The European Journal of Political Research, European Political Science Review, Electoral Studies, and the Swiss Political Science Review

## SELECTED OUTREACH

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Interview for: *Süddeutsche Zeitung*. (2023, March 22). Münster: Urteil im Fall Malte C. [Link](#)

Blog post for: *Humboldt Governance Lab*. (2025, December 2). Gewinnt man mit Homophobie Wahlen? [Link](#)

## SUMMER SCHOOLS & TRAINING

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### *Summer Schools:*

2023: **Summer School for Women in Political Methodology**

Courses: Function and packages in R, Advanced Graphics in R, Web-Scraping, Text Analysis, Word Embeddings, Images as Data

2022: **Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis**

Course: Causal Inference and Experiments in the Social Sciences

2019: **ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques**

Courses: Introduction and Advanced Quantitative Text Analysis

### *Other Training:*

Image Analysis; Advances in the Difference-in-Differences Design; Survey Experiments; Online Experiments; Spatial Data Analysis

## SKILLS

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Language Skills    German (native)  
                         Spanish (native)  
                         English (fluent)  
                         French (conversational)

Computing Skills    R (advanced)  
                         STATA (advanced)  
                         Python (advanced)  
                         L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X (advanced)