

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Research interests

- Sociology of the body (including fat studies)
- Sociology of emotions
- Qualitative methods

Research Positions

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| 10/2023 – present | PhD Researcher and Lecturer <i>LMU Munich</i> Department of Sociology Teaching and Research unit for qualitative social research |
| 01/2024 - present | Researcher <i>LMU Munich</i> Department of Sociology Teaching and Research unit for qualitative social research Project: CHANGER – Challenges and innovative changes in research Ethics Reviews (funded through the EU's Horizon WIDERA Program) [Project website] |
| 10/2022 – 09/2023 | Junior Researcher <i>Erasmus University Rotterdam</i> Project: Evaluating Societal Impact - Conceptualization and implementation of a framework (including methods, instruments, templates) for evaluating societal impact at Erasmus University |
| 09/2019 – 10/2021 | Student Assistant <i>Syspons GmbH</i> Qualitative project evaluation in the public sector on the topics of equal rights, anti-discrimination and migration |

Education

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| 09/2020 – 07/2022 | Master of Science Sociology (with distinction) <i>University of Amsterdam</i> Focus: qualitative research, body sociology, gender and queer studies Thesis: Spitting in the Cabbage Soup: Negotiating the abjection of the fat body |
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| 09/2017 – 08/2020 | Master of Arts Humanitarian Action <i>Ruhr University Bochum & University of Warsaw</i> Focus: Peace and conflict studies, Post-conflict-transitions Thesis: Just enough? Structural violence during South Africa's transitional justice process |
| 09/2014 – 07/2017 | Bachelor of Arts European Studies <i>The Hague University of Applied Science</i> Focus: International relations, human rights Thesis: The Spring that didn't come: human rights violation by security forces in Bahrain in 2011 |

Teaching

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| Winter term 2024/2025 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervision of Bachelor theses: three qualitative, empirical these Qualitative research on Emotions: undergraduate practice seminar |
| Summer term 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervision of Bachelor theses: three qualitative, empirical these Ethnography of Emotions: undergraduate methods seminar |
| Winter term 2023/2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qualitative interviewing: intersectional approaches to social justices in Munich: Undergraduate practice seminar |

Teaching qualification courses

- PROFil Basic seminar (experience and reflect on own behaviour, basics of didactics, holistic view of the teaching situation, (teaching) methods, communication techniques in the teaching/learning context, teaching reflection) 28AE
- Basics of assessment at the university level 8AE
- Partial fulfilment (36/60 AE) of the Bavarian University Teaching Certificate

Presentations and Conferences

"Body, Emotions, and Capitalism in the Sex Work Industry: An Ethnographic Study of the Commodification of Body and Emotion of Fat Sex Workers." Workshop Critical Sex work research: GSPF, November 2024 [Working group]

"Body, Emotions, and Capitalism in the Sex Work Industry." Porn Studies Course: Linköping University, October, 2024

"Making Sense of Impact: how researchers' sense-making informs an institutional impact strategy." EU-SPRI: University of Sussex, June 2023. (with L.S. Baldeh, T. Chang, S. de Jong)

"Spitting in the Cabbage Soup: Negotiating the Abjection of the Fat Body." Sociology Student Conference: University of Amsterdam, May 2022.

"Homophobia as Strategy for Political Legitimacy in Russia." European Conference on Politics and Gender: University of Amsterdam, July 2019. (with T. Westenberg)

Stays abroad

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| 07 – 12/2018 | Semester abroad: Javeriana University – Bogota, CO |
| 02- 06/2018 | Master study: University of Warsaw – Warsaw PL |
| 02 – 07/2017 | Internship: Human Rights Watch – Brussels, BE |
| 02 – 06/2016 | Semester abroad: University of St. Petersburg – St. Petersburg, RU |
| 09/2014 – 07/2017 | Bachelor study: The Hague University – The Hague, NL |
| 08/2012 – 08/2013 | European Volunteer Service: Youth for Understanding – Budapest, HU |
| 07/2009 – 05/2010 | Student exchange: Youth for Understanding e.V – Jalandhar, IN |

Awards, Scholarships & Mentoring

- Ment15: Mentoring program for PhD students at the faculty of social sciences (Mentor: Prof. Dr. Paula-Irene Villa Braslavsky)
- Deutschlandstipendium (national scholarship): for academic achievement
- Zaida Catalán-Stipendium: for talented students of the gender studies
- NL4Talent-Conference for talented, international students in the Netherlands

Other courses

- InterGender Course on Porn Studies – Linköping University
- Summer School: Intersectional Posthumanities – Utrecht University
- Liberatory Methods for investigating and generating non-capitalist / anti-colonial social power – El Cambalache
- Methods course decolonial epistemologies in research – Decolonising Collective Leiden
- Refugee law & EU border policies – ICRC & UNHCR

Academic committees

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| 01/2024 – present | PhD representative in the steering committee of the Munich Graduate School of Sociology and main organizer of the 2024 Graduate Day of the Institute of Sociology |
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Skills

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| Languages | German (Native), English (C1), Dutch, Spanish (B2), Hindi, Chinese (A2) |
| Software | Atlas.ti, MAXQDA, SPSS, Zotero |