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Research interests

- Cooperative Housing
- Real Utopias
- Wealth Inequality

Dissertation Project

Housing Cooperatives as Real Utopia? An investigation into the transformative potential and social limits of cooperative forms of housing in Germany.

Current Position

Since 10/2023	Research assistant at the Institute of Sociology at LMU Munich, Department of Social Inequality and Social Structures
Since 8/2024	Deputy Women's Representative at the Department of Sociology at LMU Munich

Professional Education

2020 – 2023	M.A. Sociology, grade 1.3	Bielefeld University, Germany
2015 – 2020	B.A. Romance Studies (major) and Sociology (minor), grade 2.5	Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany
02/2018 – 07/2018	B.A. Romance Studies (major) and Sociology (minor)	University of Cádiz, Spain
2013 – 2015	Vocational training as a specialist in system catering, grade 2.0	Schmidtmeier Bakery and Pastry Shop, Bochum, Germany

Additional Activities and Internships

03/2023 – 08/2023	Research assistant at the Chair of Social Structure Analysis of Social Inequalities, Prof. Dr. Carsten Sauer	Bielefeld University
09/2022 – 12/2022	Intern in the research group "Wealth in Germany," Dr. Daria Tisch	Max-Planck-Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne

10/2021 – 08/2022	Research assistant at the Chair of Labor and Economic Sociology, Prof. Dr. Ursula Mense-Petermann and Dr. Anna Spiegel	Bielefeld University
02/2020 – 09/2021	Research assistant for the project "DemenzDinge" (Dementia Things)	Folkwang University of the Arts, Essen
08/2019 – 12/2019	Student assistant	Research Institute for Social Development (FGW), Düsseldorf
10/2016 – 09/2020	Student assistant at the Institute for Romance Studies, Prof. Dr. Frank Leinen and Santiago Navarro Pastor	Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

Courses

2025 Summer	Real Utopias (English)	B.A. Exercise, evaluated with a grade of 1.1
	New Economic Sociology (English)	B.A. Exercise, not yet evaluated
	Supervision of 4 bachelor's theses	Individual supervision, no evaluation
2024 winter semester	New Economic Sociology (English)	B.A. exercise, evaluated with a grade of 1.8
	Housing Studies (German)	B.A. Exercise, evaluated with a grade of 1.1
	Coordination of the Lecture Series „Sociological Deep Dive“	B.A. lecture series, no evaluation
	Supervision of 4 bachelor's theses	Individual supervision, no evaluation
2024 Summer semester	Housing Studies (English)	B.A. Exercise, *
	Housing Research	B.A. Exercise, evaluated with a grade of 1.7
	Supervision of 4 bachelor's theses	Individual supervision, no evaluation
2023 winter semester	Theories of Capitalism	B.A. exercise, *
	Sociology of Housing	B.A. Exercise, evaluated with a grade of 2.0
	Accompanying exercise for bachelor's thesis	B.A. exercise, no evaluation
	Supervision of 6 bachelor theses	Individual supervision, no evaluation

*Grades on the scale of 1 (very good) to 5 (poor), *: No evaluation of teaching due to low response rate*

Further Training

2025	Workshop "WEN-Do" on dealing with inappropriate behavior in higher education
	Workshop "Krönung der Lehre" (Crown of Teaching) for exams in higher education teaching
2024	Workshop "miniPROFiL (Professional in Teaching)" on designing courses for higher education
	Workshop "Error culture" on dealing with errors in research and teaching
	Workshop "Everything is so colorful here" on gender and diversity in higher education teaching
2023	SOEPCAMPUS, data analysis with the SOEP, DIW Berlin

Scholarships and Funding Programs

2025	<i>Ment15</i> , mentoring program for female students and doctoral candidates at the Faculty of Social Sciences at LMU Munich
2020	<i>MOVEMENT</i> Mentoring program for women with academic career prospects, Bielefeld University
2019	Erasmus+ scholarship for an internship abroad at the Goethe Institute in Madrid, Spain
2018	Erasmus+ scholarship for a semester abroad at the University of Cádiz, Spain
2018	Hans-Helmut- und Elisabeth-Scheunemann-Stiftung, funding for a semester abroad

Other

Languages: German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent)

Software Skills: Stata, MAXQDA