

# Academic CV

## Personal Information

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## Education

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- Since April 2021 **Double-degree doctoral student** at the *University of Freiburg (Germany)*, *chair for Comparative Politics* and the *University of Strasbourg (France)*, *UMR 7363, Société, Acteurs, Gouvernement en Europe* (since oct. 2021)
- Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Uwe Wagschal, Jay Rowell
  - Topic: Political Parties and Generational Conflicts in Germany and France
- October 2017 – February 2021 Dual-Subject **Bachelor of Education** in Political Sciences and Economics, University of Freiburg
- Grade: 1,4
- April 2018 – July 2020 **Master of Arts** in Global Studies (ALU Freiburg, FLACSO Buenos Aires, JNU New Delhi)
- Grade: 1,3
  - Master thesis: "Conceptualizations of Social Justice - in Economic Thought and in the Reports of the German Council of Economic Experts"
- August 2016 - July 2017 BAMF eligible certification: Teacher for German as a foreign or second Language (DaFZ), University of Stuttgart and Teach First Deutschland
- October 2014- July 2016 **Bachelor of Arts** in Political Sciences (Major: 1,3) and Economics (Minor: 1,5), University of Freiburg, Germany
- Concentrations: Comparative Politics and International Relations
  - Grade: 1,3
- September 2003 – June 2012 Gymnasium bei St. Michael, Schwäbisch Hall,
- Final grade in Abitur: 1,0

## Publications (\*double-blind peer reviewed)

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Kurz, Kira R. (2023): Mehr Demokratie wagen! Eine politikwissenschaftliche Replik auf die juristische Einschätzung zur Absenkung der Altersgrenze für das aktive Wahlrecht zum Deutschen Bundestag, In: Zparl, vol. 54(2), 440-451, DOI: [10.5771/0340-1758-2023-2-440](https://doi.org/10.5771/0340-1758-2023-2-440).

## Conference presentations

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### 2024

- *Age Representation on the Party Level – A new Dataset and first insights* (IParl Kolloquium, 18.01.2024, Berlin)

## 2023

- *Exploring the Conditions for Youth Representation: A Qualitative Comparative Analysis of Party Parliamentary Groups* (**ECPR** General Conference, September 2023, Prag)
- *Exploring the Conditions for Youth Representation: A Qualitative Comparative Analysis of Party Parliamentary Groups* (Annual Conference **EPSA**, Juni 2023, Glasgow, mit Felix Ettensperger)
- *Under which conditions do parties promote young candidates? - A qualitative comparative analysis* (14th Düsseldorf **Graduate Conference on Party Research**, Februar 2023, Artikel mit Felix Ettensperger)
- *Parteien und Generationenkonflikte in Deutschland und Frankreich - Dissertationskapitel* (**Rencontre interdisciplinaire de la jeune recherche franco-allemande** du CIERA, Januar 2023, Paris)

## 2022

- *Voting Patterns in Ageing Societies - Age and Cohort Effects in Germany and France* (Popfest 2022, The 28th Annual **Population Postgraduate Conference**, October 2022, Florenz)

## Other Research Activities

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### Review

- *Statistics Politics & Policy* (2 Reviews in 2023)

### Editorial Activities

- Guest Editor, *Statistics, Politics & Policy*, special issue on "Political Demography"

### Organizational Contributions

- Organisation and chairing of the panel „Gatekeepers or Supporters? Political Parties and Youth Representation“ at ECPR General Conference
- Organisation of a French-German Junior Conference „Der internationale Vergleich als Methode und Objekt. Interdisziplinäre Perspektiven ausgehend vom deutsch-französischen Beispiel“, funded by CIERA, Frankreichzentrum Universität Freiburg and DGfP

## Work experience in the academic field and in teaching

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Since October 2022

Lecturer at the Department for Political Science, University of Freiburg and at University College Freiburg

### Wintersemester 2023/24

- Political Demography (English, Seminar, 6 ECTS, UCF)
- Introduction to Political Science (German, 6 ECTS)

### Summersemester 2023

- Political Demography (German, Comparative politics seminar, 6 ECTS)
- Model United Nations (English, International Relations seminar, 6 ECTS)

### Wintersemester 2022/23

- Party Research (German, Comparative politics seminar, 6 ECTS)
- Model United Nations (English, International Relations seminar, 6 ECTS)

Since January 2022

Editorial Team „Voteswiper“ (VAA) for the following elections

- Berlin, Bremen, Hessen, Bayern 2023
- Saarland, Niedersachsen 2022

January 2022 - September 2022	Research Assistant ("HiWi", 5h/week) at the chair for Comparative Politics, University of Freiburg
April 2022 – August 2022	Teaching Assistant at University College Freiburg (UCF), International Relations Theory
April 2017 – February 2020	Freelance Workshop Coordinator in the Global ethic Foundations' integrative school project "World LAB"
March 2020-April 2020 October 2019-November 2019	Student Research Assistant at Arnold Bergstraesser Institut for projects „Online Repositorium zu A. Bergstraesser“ and „Migration Governance in South Africa“.
October 2019 – February 2020 October 2017 – February 2018 November 2014-February 2016	Academic Tutor at the chair for Comparative Politics at the University of Freiburg
September 2016- July 2017	Language and Sociology/Politics Teacher (Fellow of Teach First Germany) in preparatory classes for refugees at the vocational school Richard-von-Weizsäcker-Schule in Öhringen, Germany (75% position)

#### **Awards/Scholarships**

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Since September 2021	Full Scholarship for doctoral research, awarded by Heinrich Böll Foundation
October 2013 – July 2020	Study Scholarship awarded by the German National Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des dt. Volkes)