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- CURRENT POSITION** **University of Cologne**, Cologne, Germany Sep 2019–present
- Assistant Professor of Empirical Democratic Theory
 - Member, Cologne Center for Comparative Politics
 - Associated Member, ECONtribute: Markets & Public Policy
- PAST POSITIONS**
- Parental leave** Dec 2020–Jan 2022
- Full-time leave, Dec 2020–July 2021.
 - Part-time leave (50%), Aug 2021–Jan 2022.
- University of Barcelona**, Barcelona, Spain Apr 2017–Aug 2019
- Postdoctoral Researcher, Institutions and Political Economy Research Group (IPERG)
- Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ Jan–Mar 2017
- Visiting Researcher, Department of Politics
- University of Nottingham**, Nottingham, UK Sep 2016–Jun 2017
- Visiting Fellow, Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre of Economic and Political Research (NICEP)
- EDUCATION**
- University of Rochester**, Rochester, NY
- Ph.D., Political Science, May 2017
Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Philosophy, Quantitative Methods
M.A., Political Science, March 2014
- Queens’ College, University of Cambridge**, Cambridge, UK
- M.Phil., Political Thought & Intellectual History, July 2010
- Keble College, University of Oxford**, Oxford, UK
- B.A. (Hons), History, June 2009
- PUBLICATIONS**
- [1] Basu, Chitrlekha. 2020. “Bridging Spatial and Saliency Theory: Party Size and Issue Selection in Campaigns.” *Political Science Research and Methods* 8(3): 444-458.
- WORKING PAPERS**
- [3] “The Revelation Incentive for Issue Engagement in Campaigns,” with Matthew Knowles.
- [2] “Democratizing from Within: British Elites and the Expansion of the Franchise,” with Carles Boix, Sonia Giurumescu and Paulo Serôdio.

– Awarded the 2019 James B. Christoph prize for best conference paper presented by a junior faculty member in the British Politics Group.

[1] “How the Media Matters for the Economic Vote: Evidence from Britain.”

WORKS IN PROGRESS

[3] “The (Non) Separability of Policy and Valence in Voter Preferences.”

[2] “Preference Endogeneity and the Problem of Electoral Representation.”

[1] “Realignment on the Left: From Liberalism to Socialism,” with Carles Boix, Jordi Muñoz and Sonia Giurumescu.

AWARDS & HONORS

James B. Christoph Prize, British Politics Group	2019
Postdoctoral Fellowship, National University of Singapore (declined)	2018-20
COFUND Junior Research Fellowship, Durham University (declined)	2018-19
Dean’s Post-Field Research Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2015-16
The Star Lab Fellowship, University of Rochester	2014-15
The Star Lab Conference Presentation Award, University of Rochester	2014
Donald E. Stokes Dissertation Research Fellowship, British Politics Group	2014
Graduate Fellowship and Tuition Scholarship, University of Rochester	2010-15
Keble College Scholarship, University of Oxford	2007, 2008

RESEARCH GRANTS

Selten Seeding Grant, ECONtribute & Reinhard Selten Institute	2021
Wallis Institute of Political Economy PEPR Grant (with Bonnie Meguid)	2014
URDPS Summer Seed Grant for International Field Research	2014, 2016

INVITED TALKS

*Political Theory Colloquium, University of Hamburg ¹	July 2022
*CP&PE Research Colloquium, University of Konstanz	May 2022
*Department of Government Speaker Series, University of Essex	February 2022
Politics Seminar Series, Humboldt University of Berlin	December 2021
Inaugural Lecture, University of Cologne	November 2020
Democracy & Elections Seminar Series, University of Manchester	October 2020
MZES Seminar Series, University of Mannheim	October 2020
Comparative Politics Seminar Series, Kings College London	February 2020
LMU Munich (guest lecture)	January 2020
University of Barcelona (Political Science)	February 2019
IPZ Workshop, University of Zurich	March 2018
NICEP Seminar Series, University of Nottingham	November 2016
University of Strathclyde Department Colloquium	October 2016

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

British Politics Group Online Conference (D) ²	2021
EPOP Annual Conference	2016, 2021
ECPR General Conference	2020
HPE Virtual Workshop (D)	2020
ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments Workshop	2019
APSA Annual Conference	2015–2016, 2018–2019
EPSA Annual Conference	2014, 2017–2019
NYUAD Workshop on Historical Political Economy	2019
Politics and History Network Annual Conference	2018
BCB Workshop on Experimental Political Science (D)	2018

¹* if scheduled.

²(D) if only as invited chair or discussant.

	MPSA Annual Conference	2013, 2015–2016, 2018
	NICEP Annual Conference	2017–2018
	IPERG Historical Political Economy & Gender Politics Workshop	2017
	CES International Conference of Europeanists	2017
	CES Mini-Conference: Women in Society from a Historical Perspective	2017
	PCRG Workshop: Perspectives on Intra-Party Politics	2017
	SPSA Annual Conference	2015
	Toronto Political Behaviour Workshop	2015
	UCLA COMPASS Graduate Student Conference	2015
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<i>Cologne Center for Comparative Politics:</i>	
	Democratic Theory and Practice (G)	SS 2020, WS 2021
	Strategic Models of Democratic Politics (G) ³	WS 2019, 2020
	Elections as Instruments of Democracy (G)	WS 2020
	Parties and Elections in Comparative Perspective (G)	WS 2019
	<i>University of Rochester:</i>	
	Campaigns and Elections: A Global Perspective (UG)	SS 2015–SS 2016
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	<i>Disciplinary Service:</i>	
	*APSA Program Organizer, British Politics Group	2022–2023
	SGAPPC Section Co-Chair, ECPR General Conference	2020
	<i>University and Department Service:</i>	
	Co-organizer, CCCP International Workshop	2020
	Student Representative, UR Board of Academic Honesty	2015–2016
	Department Representative, UR Graduate Student Association	2013–2016
	Graduate Assistant, UR Internships in Europe Programme	2010–2016
	<i>Referee Service:</i>	
	Journals: <i>British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of Politics, Party Politics, Political Science Research & Methods.</i>	
	Funding bodies: <i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes.</i>	
SUPERVISION	<i>PhD Committee Chair:</i>	
	Helena Heberer, University of Cologne	2020–present
	<i>PhD Committee Member:</i>	
	Danielle Pullan, University of Cologne	2021–present
MEDIA	‘Time to say goodbye’ by Eva Schissler, <i>Kölner Universitäts Magazin</i> , 8 December 2020 (interview).	
SOFTWARE	Proficient user of Microsoft Office software, R and L ^A T _E X. Basic user of Stata, ArcGIS and Python.	
LANGUAGES	Bilingual in English and Bengali; intermediate German; conversational Hindi.	

³Offered as ‘Political Choice and Strategy’ in WS 2019.