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CURRENT POSITION	University of Cologne , Cologne, Germany - Assistant Professor for Empirical Democratic Theory - Member, Cologne Center for Comparative Politics - Associated Member, ECONtribute: Markets & Public Policy	Sep 2019–present
PAST POSITIONS	Parental leave - Full-time leave (100%) from Dec 2020–Jul 2021 - Part-time leave (50%) from Aug 2021–Jan 2022	Dec 2020–Jan 2022
	University of Barcelona , Barcelona, Spain - Postdoctoral Researcher, Institutions and Political Economy Research Group (IPERG)	Apr 2017–Aug 2019
	Princeton University , Princeton, NJ - Visiting Researcher, Department of Politics	Jan–Mar 2017
	University of Nottingham , Nottingham, UK - Visiting Fellow, Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre of Economic and Political Research (NICEP)	Sep 2016–Jun 2017
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." <i>Political Science Research and Methods</i> 8(3): 444-458.	
WORKING PAPERS	[4] "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.	

- [3] “The Revelation Incentive for Issue Engagement in Campaigns,” with Matthew Knowles.
- [2] “How the Media Matters for the Economic Vote: Evidence from Britain.”
- [1] “Communicative Power, Inequality and Representation”.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- [2] “Realignment on the Left: From Liberalism to Socialism,” with Carles Boix and Jordi Muñoz.
- [1] “The Great Migration and Northern Realignment, 1900–1940” with Costanza Biavaschi, Giovanni Facchini and Cecilia Testa.

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

Female Professors Programme III “Kopf frei” Grant, University of Cologne	2022
Selten Seeding Grant, ECONtribute & Reinhard Selten Institute	2021
URDPS Summer Seed Grant for International Field Research	2014, 2016

INVITED TALKS & WORKSHOPS

*Political Economy Workshop, Norwegian Business School ¹	June 2023
*Workshop on ‘Democratic Citizens and Elites’, University of Mainz	March 2023
Department of Government Speaker Series, University of Essex	February 2023
‘Representation and Behavior’ Workshop, University of Cologne	February 2023
Research Colloquium, University of Stuttgart	January 2023
Keynote Lecture, IMPRS-SPCE Doctoral Conference	October 2022
Workshop on ‘Rationality and Democracy’, University of Mainz	September 2022
Political Theory Colloquium, University of Hamburg	July 2022
Historical Political Economy Workshop, University of Zurich	June 2022
Workshop on ‘Promises of Democracy’, Villa Vigoni	May 2022
ECONtribute Workshop on Political Economy	May 2022
CP&PE Research Colloquium, University of Konstanz	May 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

¹* if scheduled.

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS	Cologne Political Science Workshop	2022
	EPSA Annual Conference	2014, 2017–2019, 2022
	CES International Conference of Europeanists	2017, 2022
	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
	NYUAD Workshop on Historical Political Economy	2019
	Politics and History Network Annual Conference	2018
	BCB Workshop on Experimental Political Science (D)	2018
	MPSA Annual Conference	2013, 2015–2016, 2018
	NICEP Annual Conference	2017–2018
	IPERG Historical Political Economy & Gender Politics Workshop	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>	
	Democracy in the Twenty-First Century (G)	WS 2022
	Democratic Theory and Practice (G)	SS 2020, WS 2021, WS 2022
	Strategic Models of Democratic Politics (G) ³	WS 2019, WS 2020, SS 2022
	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>	
	Advisory Board Member, ERC Project DDME (PI: André Bächtiger)	2023–
	APSA Program Organizer, British Politics Group	2022–2023
	SGAPPC Section Co-Chair, ECPR General Conference	2020
	<i>University and Department Service:</i>	
	Organizer, Workshop on Political Institutions & Behaviour	2023
	Organizer, CCCP Research Colloquium	2022–present
	Faculty Adviser, CCCP Women’s Working Group	2022–present
	Organizer, Cologne Political Science Workshop	2022
	Co-organizer, CCCP International Workshop	2020
	<i>Referee Service:</i>	
	Journals: <i>British Journal of Political Science; British Politics; Comparative Political Studies; Journal of Politics; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties; Party Politics; Political Science Research and Methods.</i>	
	Funding bodies: German National Merit Foundation (<i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i>).	

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

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

PHD SUPERVISION	<i>Committee Chair:</i> Helena Heberer, University of Cologne	2020–present
	<i>Committee Member:</i> Katelyn Nutley, University of Cologne Danielle Pullan, University of Cologne	2022–present 2021–present
	<i>External Reader:</i> Pau Vall-Prat, University of Barcelona	2022
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.	
LANGUAGES	Bilingual in English and Bengali; intermediate German; some Hindi.	