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Employment

- July 2025 - Assistant Professor, Department of Politics, Oberlin College
current
- Aug 2024 - Postdoctoral Researcher, Cluster of Excellence "The Politics of Inequality", University
May 2025 of Konstanz
- Dec 2022 - Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Institute of Public Administration,
June 2024 Leiden University
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Education

- March 2023 PhD in Political Science, Department of Government, Harvard University
- Dissertation: [Ethnic Inequality in the Welfare State](#)
Committee: Professors Peter A. Hall, Torben Iversen, Kathleen Thelen (MIT)
- Awarded Best Dissertation by APSA Class & Inequality Section and Best Dissertation on a Topic of Race, Ethnicity, or Migration from Harvard Department of Government
- July 2016 MSc in Sociology: Immigrant Integration & Social Cohesion (with distinction), University of Amsterdam with University of Deusto & University of Osnabrück
- May 2013 BA in Political Science and Economics (with distinction), University of Wisconsin-Madison

Visiting positions

Visiting Researcher, VATT Institute of Economics (Helsinki), Summer 2019 & Fall 2021
Visiting Research Scholar, WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Summer 2018

Research

Publications

Kurer, T. & van Staalduinen, B. (2022). "Disappointed Expectations: Downward Mobility and Electoral Change", [American Political Science Review](#), 116:4, 1340-1356.

van Staalduinen, B. and Zollinger, D. (2024). "Perceptions of social mobility, gender, and progressive politics", *Comparative Political Studies*, [OnlineFirst](#).

"The politics of status preservation: Immigration and the knowledge economy class", Forthcoming, *Perspectives on Politics*.

In progress & under review

"Working together or drifting apart? Workplace segregation and political polarization" (with Valentina Consiglio), *Under review*

"Ethnicity & endogeneity in the welfare state" (with Emil Wolff), *Under review*

"Aspirations or grievances? Upward mobility and progressive politics among women" (with Delia Zollinger)

"Minority voters and left dilemmas in Europe"

"The highly educated voter: Post-graduation trajectories and diverging politics" (with Luis Cornago Bonal)

Grants, honors & awards

Nov 2023	UZH Global Strategy and Partnerships Funding Scheme, Level 3
June 2023	Best Dissertation Award, American Political Science Association (APSA) Section on Class and Inequality
May 2023	Best Dissertation on a Topic of Race, Ethnicity, or Migration and Politics, Dept. of Government, Harvard University
Fall 2021	American Scandinavian Foundation, Dissertation Research Grant
Spring 2021	Dept. of Government, Grant for Dissertation Research on Migration & Politics
Spring 2021	Weatherhead Center for International Affairs (WCFA), Dissertation Grant
2019 - 2020	Harvard Center for European Studies (CES), Dissertation Research Fellowship
2019	Derek Bok Center Certificate of Distinction in Teaching
2019	WCFA Pre-Dissertation Research Grant
2018	WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Visiting Research Scholarship
2017	Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Graduate Student Research Grant
2017	Graduate School of Arts & Sciences Tuition Fellowship for German Language Study
2012 - 2013	US Department of Education, Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Arabic

Invited talks & guest lectures

April 2025	Guest lecture for "Politics of Inequality", University of Zürich
April 2025	Elections and Public Opinion, University of Lausanne
2022, 2023, 2024	Guest lecture for "Diversity & Unity: Migration and Politics in the Netherlands" Summer Program at Northeastern University
Feb 2024	Social Categories and the Politics of Status, London School of Economics
May 2023	CIS Colloquium, Department of Political Science, University of Zürich
Feb 2023	Seminar Series, Department of Political Science, Trinity College Dublin

Conference & workshop presentations

Jan 2025	Comparative Political Economy Seminar, University of Konstanz
Sept 2024	Annual APSA Conference, Philadelphia
March 2024	Comparative Political Economy Seminar, Nuffield College, Oxford

Oct 2023	Annual Dutch Economists' Day, The Hague
Aug 2023	Annual APSA Conference, Los Angeles
June 2023	Social Citizenship & Migration Seminar, Leiden University
June 2023	Research Day, Ministry of Justice and Security, Government of the Netherlands
March 2023	Comparative Political Economy Online Seminar, Max Planck Institute
Feb 2023	Research Day, Social Affairs and Employment Ministry, Government of the Netherlands
May 2021	Quantitative Political Economy Seminar, Kings College London
Dec 2018	Conference of DAAD-funded Centres for German & European Studies, Berlin
March 2018	International Conference of Europeanists, Council for European Studies, Chicago

Teaching

Fall 2023	Principles of Economics, Leiden University College, Lead Instructor
June 2021	Diversity & Unity: Politics & Migration in the Netherlands, Northeastern University, Asst. Instructor
Fall 2019	Foundations of Comparative Politics, Teaching Fellow
Spring 2019	Politics of Europe, Teaching Fellow
Fall 2018	Feminist Political Thought, Teaching Fellow

Thesis supervision

Fall 2023	Master's Theses, Leiden University
2018 - 2019	Undergraduate Senior Thesis (awarded Harvard University Hoopes Prize)

Other research & work experience

2017 - 2018	Research Assistant, Presidential Task Force on Inclusion and Belonging, Harvard University
2017 - 2018	Program and Event Assistant, CES, Harvard University
2016 - 2017	Research Assistant for <i>How Democracies Die</i> (2018)
2010 - 2012	Research Assistant for <i>Banks on the Brink</i> (2020)

Service

Reviewer for *Socio-Economic Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *West European Politics*, *American Political Science Review*

2023 - 2024	Event planning & organization, Social Citizenship and Migration, Leiden University
2019 - 2022	Graduate Student Affiliate, Harvard WCFIA
2017 - 2022	Graduate Student Affiliate, Harvard CES
2019	Citizenship Tutor, Harvard Bridge Program
2018 - 2019	Graduate Student Coordinator, Comparative Politics Research Workshop
2017 - 2019	Seminar Co-chair, <i>Populism, Nationalism and Radical Politics</i> , CES

Skills & Qualifications

Software: Stata, R

Languages: English (native), Finnish (advanced), Dutch (advanced), German (intermediate), French (intermediate), Spanish (intermediate), Arabic (basic)