

# CV - Jens Wäckerle

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## Current Position

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### Chair for European Politics

*Doctoral Researcher*  
Cologne Center for Comparative Politics

**Cologne, Germany**  
*September 2017 - today*

## Education

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### Universität zu Köln

*PhD in Political Science*

**Cologne, Germany**  
*September 2017 - today*

- Topic: Women in Different Levels of Politics:  
The Importance of Female Representation for Voters, Parties and Legislatures
- Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Sven-Oliver Proksch

### University of Essex

*MSc in Public Opinion and Political Behaviour*

**Colchester, UK**  
*2016–2017*

- Thesis: The Success of Women and Ethnic Minorities in British Politics.
- Supervisor: Prof. Jonathan Slapin

### Sciences Po

*Semester abroad*

**Paris, France**  
*2013*

### Zeppelin University

*BA in Politics, Administration and International Relations*

**Friedrichshafen, Germany**  
*2011–2016*

- Thesis: Geschlecht und Wahlerfolg: Ein Mehrebenenmodell des Wahlerfolgs von Frauen und Männern bei baden-württembergischen Landtagswahlen.
- Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Joachim Behnke

## Teaching

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### Women in European Politics (in German)

*Course Instructor (together with Franziska Pradel)*

**University of Cologne**  
*Winter 2019/2020*

### Quantitative Text Analysis

*Course Instructor*

**Zeppelin Universität, Friedrichshafen**  
*Summer 2019*

### Introduction to Machine Learning

*Teaching Assistant*

**ECPR Summer School, Budapest**  
*Summer 2019*

### Introduction to Machine Learning

*Teaching Assistant*

**ECPR Winter School, Bamberg**  
*Winter 2018/2019*

## Professional Experience

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### Political Research, TNS Infratest

*Intern*

**Berlin, Germany**  
*July-September 2016*

### Omnibus Unit, YouGov Deutschland AG

*Intern*

**Cologne, Germany**  
*January-April 2016*

**Political Department, German Embassy**

*Intern*

**Chair for Political Science, Zeppelin University**

*Teaching Assistant*

**Chair for Political Science, Zeppelin University**

*Student research assistant*

**Publixphere e.V.**

*Intern*

**Bureau of Dr. Franziska Brantner (MdEP), European Parliament**

*Intern*

**Washington DC, US**

*August-October 2015*

**Friedrichshafen, Germany**

*January-August 2015*

**Friedrichshafen**

*January-August 2013*

**Berlin**

*July-August 2012 and July-August 2013*

**Brussels**

*February-March 2011*

## Awards

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**2018:** Part of the winning team in the Dataset Challenge as part of the European Symposium on Societal Challenges in Computational Social Science – Cologne, Germany

**2016:** Best Bachelor Thesis Award – Zeppelin University Friedrichshafen

**2009:** Award for linking social engagement with professional performance – Schubart Gymnasium Ulm

## Grants

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**2019:** DAAD Conference Travel Grant – 1400 €

**2014:** Deutschlandstipendium (National Scholarship Program) – 3600 €

## Publications

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**2019:** Mertens, A., Pradel, F., Rozyjumayeva, A., Wäckerle, J. (2019). As the Tweet, so the Reply? Gender Bias in Digital Communication with Politicians. Proceedings of the 10th ACM Conference on Web Science (WebSci '19). ACM, New York, NY, USA, 193-201. doi:10.1145/3292522.3326013

**2019:** Proksch, S., Wratil, C., Wäckerle, J. (2019). Testing the Validity of Automatic Speech Recognition for Political Text Analysis. Political Analysis, 27(3), 339-359. doi:10.1017/pan.2018.62

**2019:** Proksch, S., Lowe, W., Wäckerle, J. and Soroka, S. (2019), Multilingual Sentiment Analysis: A New Approach to Measuring Conflict in Legislative Speeches. Legislative Studies Quarterly, 44: 97-131. doi:10.1111/lsq.12218

## Software

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**2018:** 'wersim: Simulating and Measuring Word Error'. R package. available at: <https://github.com/jenswaeckerle/wersim>

## Methods Training

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**GESIS Spring Seminar**

**Cologne, Germany**

*March 2019*

- Introduction to Bayesian Models for the Social Sciences
- Bayesian Multilevel Modelling

**PhD Coursework**

**Cologne, Germany**

*2017-2018*

- Advanced Quantitative Analysis: Experiments and Causal Inference
- Strategies of causal analysis and comparative research designs

## Essex Summer School

Colchester, UK

August 2017

- Web Scraping and Data Management in R
- Quantitative Text Analysis

## Oxford Spring School in Social Science Research Methods

Oxford, UK

March 2017

- Social Network Analysis
- Forecasting
- Spatial Analysis

## GESIS Summer School in Survey Methodology

Cologne, Germany

August 2014

- Introduction to Research Data Management
- Introduction to Web Surveys

## Conference Presentations

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### American Political Science Association

Annual Meeting and Exhibition

Washington DC, United States

August 2019

- Voters' perceptions of women's representation within political parties

### European Political Science Association

Annual Conference

Belfast, UK

June 2019

- Does Representation Increase Public Legitimacy?  
Survey-Experimental Evidence from the European Union
- Voters' perceptions of women's representation within political parties

### Midwest Political Science Association

Annual Conference

Chicago, United States

April 2019

- Minority Governments and Legislative Debate

### Euro CSS

2nd European Symposium on Societal Challenges in CSS

Cologne, Germany

December 2018

- Gender Bias in Digital Communication

### European Political Science Association

Annual Conference

Vienna, Austria

June 2018

- The Electoral Fortune of Women Candidates in British Politics

## Computer skills

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**Basic:** HTML, STATA, SPSS

**Advanced:** R, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## Languages

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**German:** Native speaker

**English:** Fluent

**French:** Basic

TOEFL iBT Score 111

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