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Academic Positions

Since Nov 2022	Senior Researcher (on tenure track since Jun 2025), IAB
Jan 2026–April 2026	Visiting Scholar at the Dept. of Economics and IRLE, UC Berkeley
Jan 2019–Oct 2022	Junior Researcher and GradAB Scholarship Holder, IAB
Aug 2014–May 2017	Student Research Assistant, German Institute for Economic Research

Education

Oct 2018–Nov 2022	PhD Economics (Dr. rer. pol.), University of Erlangen-Nuremberg
Sep 2017–Sep 2018	MSc Social Policy (Research), London School of Economics
Oct 2013–May 2017	BA Social Sciences, Humboldt University of Berlin

Research

Research interests: Labor Economics, Social Policy, Entrepreneurship

Publications:

"Labor Market Tightness and the Reversal of Inequality Trends in Germany" with Christian Dustmann, Carl Gergs, and Uta Schoenberg, forthcoming, ***Quarterly Journal of Economics***.

"Do Temporary Employees Experience Increased Material Deprivation? Evidence from German Panel Data" with Nils Teichler, ***Journal of European Social Policy***, 35(2), 143–156.

"Using Occupations to Evaluate the Employment Effects of the German Minimum Wage", 2020. ***Journal of Economics and Statistics***, 240(2–3), 269–294.

Working papers:

"Firm Expansion in Imperfect Labor Markets" with Ines Helm and Uta Schoenberg.

"Immigration Responses to the Minimum Wage" with Kalina Georgieva and Elke Jahn.

"Workplace Heterogeneity in Wage Growth" with Ines Helm and Diego Battiston.

Work in Progress:

"Entrepreneurship and Prior Work Experience: The Role of Firm and Peer Quality" with Lena Füner

"Employment in the Gig Economy: Evidence from German Administrative Data" with Ines Helm, Vico Kutz, Christoph Müller, Jan Nimczik, Franziska Riepl, Christoph Walch.

Teaching

Winter 2025/2026	Tutorial in Personnel Economics (undergraduate), University of Erlangen–Nuremberg
Summer 2023	Lecture in Data Science/Econometrics (undergraduate), University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

Grants, Scholarships and Awards

2027	Grant for hosting "Gig Work and Flexible Work Arrangemnents" workshop at the IAB by the Körber Foundation, €6750
2026–2027	German Research Foundation (DFG), Project Grant (single PI), "Entrepreneurship and Prior Work Experience: The Role of Firm and Peer Quality", approximately €200,000
2025–2027	Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Project Grant (Co-PI), "Employment in the Gig Economy", approximately €500,000
2025–2026	Joachim Herz Foundation, Add-on Fellowship for Interdisciplinary Economics, €12,500
2023–2024	Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Project Grant (single PI), "Employment in the Gig Economy", approximately €500,000
2023	Finalist, German Thesis Award ("Deutscher Studienpreis"), Körber Foundation
2023	Finalist, Fürther Ludwig Erhard Thesis Award
2020	Best Poster Prize (1 of 3 awards), German Data Forum (RatSWD) Conference
2018–2022	"GradAB" PhD Scholarship, IAB
2017–2018	Graduate Scholarship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Presentations

2026	UC Berkeley IRLE Seminar, VfS Annual Meeting, AIEL, European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, EEA Workshop for Minorities in Economics Bristol, ELMI network conference Maastricht, University of Portsmouth, IAB Monopsony Workshop 2nd edition
2025	IWH, ESMT, RF Berlin, CReAM Annual Piemonte Workshop, IAB Workshop "Identifying Worker and Firm Quality"
2018–2024	EEA, SOLE, EALE, AIEL, AASLE, European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, IAAE, US Eastern Economic Association, DFG-SPP Conference "The German Labor Market in a Globalized World", Zurich Swiss Leading House VPET-ECON, IAB/LASER Workshop "Imperfect Competition in the Labor Market", IAB Workshop "Establishment Panel Analyses", IAB Workshop "Megatrends in Times of Covid", DZHW Workshop "Causality in the Social Sciences", 8|KSWD

Professional Service

Refereeing:	*Review of Economic Studies*, *Labour Economics (3x)*, *German Economic Review*, *Journal of Economics and Statistics*, *Journal for Labour Market Research (4x)*, *German Economic Association Annual Meeting*, *US Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting*
Workshop organization:	"Imperfect competition in the labor market", IAB workshop, May 2023, Keynotes: David Card / Alan Manning; "Perspectives on (Un-)employment", IAB workshop, January 2020, Keynotes: David Card / Arne Kalleberg

Skills

Programming:	Python (advanced), Stata (advanced)
Languages:	German (native), English (fluent)

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