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Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Information

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Research Interests

- Neighborhood Effects
- Social Inequality, Segregation & Cities
- Spatial Data / GIS
- Covid19 Restrictions and Their Social Implications
- Intersection of School & Residential Segregation
- (Unequal) Access to Education and Schools in the City
- Social Networks and Their Spatial Dimension(s)

Academic Positions

since 05/18	**Ph.D. Research fellow (Pre-Doc)** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Collaborative Research Centre 1265 "Re-Figuration of Spaces" **Project C04: The World Down My Street: Resources and Networks Used by City Dwellers (Lead: Prof. Dr. Talja Blokland)** *funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG)*
05/20 - 12/21	**Research fellow** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Georg-Simmel Center for Metropolitan Studies (GSZ) **Project: Getting things done in a City on hold. How SARS-COV-2 affected Practices of Urban Care (Lead: Prof. Dr. Talja Blokland)** *funded by the Berlin University Alliance ("Special Call: Pandemic Research")*

EDUCATION

2022 (expected)	Ph.D. (Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Talja Blokland) **Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**
10/15 - 04/18	Master of Arts (M.A.), SOCIAL SCIENCES **Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**
08/16 - 06/17	Visiting student Ph.D. program, SOCIOLOGY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATE CENTER at **City University of New York**, United States
10/11 - 09/15	Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), SOCIAL SCIENCES **Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**
2011	Graduation from High-School **Rückert-Gymnasium** in Berlin-Schöneberg

PUBLICATIONS

FORTHCOMING	**Exploring latent neighbourliness: Does turning locally for support in major challenges matter and if it doesn't, then what may?** In L. Cheshire (Ed.), *Neighbours Around the World. An International Look at the People Next Door.* Emerald Publishing. (with T.Blokland, D.Krüger, H.Schultze, V.Regnault & J.Benz)
2021	**Making Sense of Segregation in a Well-Connected City: The Case of Berlin.** In M. van Ham, T. Tammaru, R. Ubarevičienė, & H. Janssen (Eds.), *The Urban Book Series. Urban Socio-Economic Segregation and Income Inequality* (pp. 249–270). Springer International Publishing. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-64569-4_13 (with T.Blokland)
2021	**Where we Turn to. Rethinking networks, urban space and research methods.** In A. Million, C. Haid, I. C. Ulloa, & N. Baur (Eds.), *Spatial Transformations: Kaleidoscopic Perspectives on the Refiguration of Spaces* (pp. 258–268). Routledge. DOI: 10.4324/9781003036159-23 (with T.Blokland, D.Krüger & H.Schultze)
2021	**Städtisches Leben während Corona** In P. Misselwitz & J. Hoerning (Eds.), *Räume in Veränderung - ein visuelles Lesebuch: Ein- und Ausblicke des interdisziplinären Forschungsverbundes zur Refiguration von Räumen* (pp. 26–37). jovis Verlag. (with T.Blokland, D.Krüger, H.Schultze & J.Benz)

Scientific Blogposts

07/2021	**Digital care: How social support during the Covid-19 pandemic shifted to the digital and our worries became "surplus value"** Blog Post CRC 1265 "Re-Figuration of Spaces" (with D.Krüger, N.Margies & T.Blokland)
12/2020	**Leaving the house to talk in private. How COVID19 restrictions affected how and where we find someone to talk to** Blog Post CRC 1265 "Re-Figuration of Spaces" (with T.Blokland & D.Krüger)
05/2020	**Just because we have to do it, it doesn't mean it is right: why #stayathome should not become a moral imperative and social isolation not a habituation** Blog Post CRC 1265 "Re-Figuration of Spaces" (with T.Blokland & D.Krüger)

Ongoing Projects

- Roots and Routes in Neighbourhoods. Length of Residence, Belonging and Public Familiarity in Berlin, Germany

  R&R at Urban Studies, (with T.Blokland, D.Krüger & H.Schultze)
- Does Rent Control turn Tenants into NIMBYis?

  (with A.Hager & H.Hilbig)
- Talking while walking but not with the locals: social support and domesticity in public space before and during Covid19 in Berlin, Germany

  (with T.Blokland & D.Krüger)
- Living small in the big city under lockdown

  (with T.Blokland & A.Holm)
- Redistribution Gone Wrong: How Rent Control Sparks Opposition to State Intervention in the Economy?

  (with A.Hager & H.Hilbig)
- Stacking the Odds. The Intersection of School and Neighborhood Segregation in NYC

  (with S.Catsambis)

Conferences / Talks

03/2022	**Increasing the 'odds' for medical encounters in underserved neighborhoods in Berlin: Does a new distribution logic for out-patient practices bring more healthcare into neighborhoods with fewer doctors?** *European Sociological Association, Research Network 37 (Urban Sociology). Midterm Conference "Seeing Like a City / Seeing the City Through"* Berlin, Germany.
08/2022	**The interrelation of housing affordability, gentrification, and school segregation – insights from Berlin, Germany** *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA)* Los Angeles, US.

03/2022	**The development of the neighborhood-school segregation gap – how neighborhood change influences school segregation** *ECSR Spring School on "Geography, Mobility and Social Stratification"* Torino, Italy.
02/2022	**Der Zusammenhang von Wohnungskrise, Gentrifizierung und Schulsegregation am Beispiel von Berlin** *Dortmunder Konferenz Raum- und Planungsforschung* Dortmund, Germany.
10/2021	**Refiguring neighbourhood relations - rethinking neighbourhood expectations** *Spatial Refiguration: Dynamics, Challenges, and Conflicts (Third International Conference of the Collaborative Research Centre "Re-Figuration of Spaces").* Berlin, Germany. (with T.Blokland, H.Schultze & D.Krüger)
08/2021	**Was spielt es für eine Rolle für Unterstützungsnetzwerke, wenn die Stadt alles schließt? Der Einfluss von Corona-Maßnahmen auf Sozialkapital und sozialen Support am Beispiel von Berlin** *Gemeinsamer Kongress der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie (DGS) und Österreichischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie (ÖGS).* Digital Meeting. (with H.Schultze, D.Krüger & T.Blokland)
07/2021	**Do Neighbourhoods Have Shapes? Studying Urban Practices and the Contours of the Imagined Neighbourhood** *Research Committee 21 of the International Sociological Association (RC21).* Digital Meeting, organized in Antwerp, Belgium. (with T.Blokland, D.Krüger & H.Schultze)
03/2021	**Talking it Through in the Street – How Berlin Residents Organize Social Support During COVID-19 Restrictions** *Soziologische Perspektiven auf die Coronakrise, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB).* Digital Meeting. (with D.Krüger & T.Blokland)
09/2020	**Führen Gentrifizierungsprozesse zu mehr oder weniger Schulsegregation?** *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie (DGS).* Digital Meeting, organized in Berlin, Germany.
09/2019	**Breaking up the Ground: Fluidity and Boundedness in Social Networks of Support** *Research Committee 21 of the International Sociological Association (RC21).* New Delhi, India. (with D.Krüger, H.Schultze & T.Blokland)
08/2019	**Profits of Trans/locality? Spatial Segregation and Practices of Organizing Resources in Times of Translocal Mobility and Communication.** *European Sociological Association (ESA).* Manchester, UK. (with D.Krüger, H.Schultze & T.Blokland)
07/2019	**Trans/local: Spatial Variability within Ego-Centered Social Support Networks.** *European Survey Research Association (ESRA).* Zagreb, Croatia. (with D.Krüger, H.Schultze & T.Blokland)
02/2019	**Taking Urbanity Beyond Place: Thoughts on Translocal Networks, Space, and Research Methods.** *Re-Figuration of Spaces: Mediatization, Mobility, Globalization and Social Dislocation (First International Conference of the SFB 1265).* Berlin, Germany. (with D.Krüger, H.Schultze & T.Blokland)

04/2018	**Stacking the Odds: The Intersection of Neighborhood and School Segregation for New York City Schools.** *American Educational Research Association (AERA).* New York City, US. (with S.Catsambis)

Teaching

Fall 22/23	**Urban Theory** B.A. Social Sciences (Pro-Seminar), Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Summer 22	**Mapping social inequalities: Introduction to GIS software and spatial data** B.A. Social Sciences (Methods III Seminar), Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Fall 21/22	**Introduction to Scientific Research Methods** B.A. Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Fall 20/21	**Sociological Theory** B.A. Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Fall 20/21	**Introduction to Scientific Research Methods** B.A. Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Fall 19/20	**Mapping the city (and more): sozialwissenschaftliche Kartierungen in ArcGIS** B.A. Social Sciences (Methods III Seminar), Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
07/18	**Workshop: Introduction to ArcGIS** B.A. Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Other professional experience

01/17 - 05/17	Data fellow Commmunity Affairs Unit, New York City
06/13 - 07/16	Student Assistant Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Department of Urban and Regional Sociology (Prof Dr. Talja Blokland)
10/13 - 04/16	Tutor & Teaching Assistant Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Department of Empirical Social Research (Prof Dr. Johannes Giesecke)
05/16 - 08/16	Project Assistant Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Membership Survey of the Union "IG Metall"

In Media

- **Podcast**: Berlins Chance auf Neuwahlen und gute Nachbarschaft
  In: Berliner und Pfannkuchen, Der Tagesspiegel (with Ann-Kathrin Hipp & Lorenz Maroldt). May 20, 2022.
- **Video-Interview**: Armen- vs. Reichenviertel: Das kann die Spaltung aufhalten
  In: Youtube/Television, rbb24 series JETZT MAL KONKRET (moderated by Jafaar Abdul Karim). April, 2022.
- **Report**: „Es ist wichtig, dass wir Schulen haben, wo sich Menschen mit verschiedenen Lebenshintergründen begegnen."
  In: Humboldtds17 - Expeditionen - Nachbarschaft (protocolled by Kristina Vaillant). October, 2021.
- **Podcast**: #35 - Robert Vief über Sozialleben im Lockdown und Feiern als (Berliner) Grundbedürfnis
  In: SHOW DOWN - Der Feierkultur Podcast (interviewed by Leonie Gerner & Julian Krohn). January 27, 2021.
- **Newspaper article**: Großsiedlungen: Hier treffen Ausgangsbeschränkungen die Berliner besonders hart
  In: Berliner Zeitung. April 8, 2020.
- **Newspaper article**: AKADEMISCHES SPRUNGBRETT
  In: Die ZEIT (protocolled by Astrid Herbold). Nr. 10/2020. February 27, 2020.

Organisatorial Work

10/2022	**Session Organizer:** Housing affordability and segregational developments: New Perspectives on neighborhood change *European Sociological Association, Research Network 37 (Urban Sociology).* Midterm Conference "Seeing Like a City / Seeing the City Through", Berlin, Germany. (with K.Zapatka)
02/2021	**Session Organizer:** Urban Practices and Urban Institutions: Thoughts on Segregation and the Spatiality of Everyday Resource Organization, Social Networks and Social Capital *European Sociological Association, Research Network 37 (Urban Sociology).* Midterm Conference, Digital Meeting. (with T.Blokland & D.Krüger)
2020 - 2021	**Editorial Team:** Blog of the Collaborative Research Centre 1265 "Re-Figuration of Spaces" (with M.Schinagl, J.Fülling, F.Gülzau & V.Sayman)

Grants & Scholarships

01/17 - 05/17	Fellowship, Center for Urban Studies, Graduate Center, City University of New York
2016 - 2018	Fellow of the German Academic Scholarship Foundation ("Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes")
08/16 - 12/16	PROMOS Grant of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Skills & Other Information

Software (statistical)	STATA, R
Software (GIS)	ArcGIS, QGIS
Software (other)	LaTeX, MS Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel), MAXQDA
Questionnaire Programming	LimeSurvey, UniPark, VOXCO, OfflineSurveys
Memberships	American Sociological Association (ASA), Research Committee 21 (RC21) of the International Sociological Association (ISA), European Sociological Association (ESA), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie (DGS), Georg-Simmel Center for Metropolitan Studies (GSZ)
Languages	German (Native), English (Fluent), French (Fluent)