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## Current Positions

Since 4/2023 **Post-doctoral research scientist**, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, research group [Kinship Inequalities](#) led by Diego Alburez-Gutiérrez

Since 4/2023 **Post-doctoral research scientist**, Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (University of Cologne), chair of Karsten Hank

## Education

10/2019 – 11/2023 **Ph.D. in Social Sciences (summa cum laude)**, Cologne Graduate School of Management, Economics and Social Sciences (CGS), University of Cologne  
“Generational Placement Trajectories and Their Associations With Later-Life Well-Being and Wealth Accumulation”  
Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Karsten Hank & Prof. Dr. Thomas Leopold  
External referee: Prof. Dr. Anette Fasang  
Chair of examination committee: Prof. Dr. Lea Ellwardt  
Funded through a doctoral scholarship by CGS

9/2017 – 8/2018 **M.Sc. Population Studies**, University of Groningen  
Cum laude, specialization: population projections and internal migration  
Thesis: Spatial Immobility Related to the Family – Do Geographic Proximity to the Parents and Intergenerational Support Exchange Matter for Migration Decisions within Germany? (for both master degrees)  
Funded through the German Academic Exchange Service DAAD

10/2016 – 8/2018 **M.Sc. Sociology and Social Research**, University of Cologne  
Specialization: longitudinal data analysis and family sociology

10/2012 – 6/2016 **B.Sc. Social Sciences**, University of Cologne  
Specialization: empirical social research  
Thesis: Panel Mortality in Multi-actor Designs – an Investigation Based on the Family and Partnership Panel

9/2014 – 2/2015 **Study abroad**, University of Madrid  
Area: Political Science, language of courses: Spanish and English  
Funded through the European Erasmus+ program

8/2009 – 6/2012 **A-levels (Allgemeine Hochschulreife)**, Bisch. Canisiuschule Ahaus  
Specializations: Mathematics, English, and Social Sciences

## Professional Experience

- 4/2022 – 6/2022      **Research stay**, Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Centre for Fertility and Health, Oslo (coordinated by Øystein Kravdal)  
Collaboration with Jonathan Wörn for PhD project on family and wealth (with Theresa Nutz)  
Funded through the German Academic Exchange Service DAAD
- 10/2021 – 3/2022      **Research assistant and lecturer**, Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (University of Cologne), chair of Michael Wagner
- 11/2016 – 9/2018      **Student research assistant**, Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (University of Cologne), chair of Karsten Hank, project: German Family Panel pairfam
- 4/2017 – 9/2017      **Student teaching assistant**, Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (University of Cologne), chair of Merlin Schaeffer, “Introduction to statistics for social scientists”
- 10/2013 – 9/2014      **Student teaching assistant**, Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (University of Cologne), chair of Marita Jacob, “Introduction to statistics for social scientists”
- 4/2015 – 10/2016      **Freelancer in field-department**, infas – institute for applied social research, interviewer qualification and inner quality assurance
- 3/2015 – 4/2015      **Internship**, infas – institute for applied social research, dept. social research, assistance for project management

## Awards and Grants

- 3/2024      **Best Paper Award** of German Demographic Society (DGD) for journal article “A new perspective on the generational structures of families – Generational placements over the life course“; awards outstanding contributions by early career researchers related to demographic research questions (€250)
- 5/2023      **Advances in Life Course Research Young Scholar Award** for journal article “A new perspective on the generational structures of families – Generational placements over the life course“; awards outstanding contributions in the field of life course research (\$500)
- 4/2022      **DAAD research grant for doctoral students** for research stay at the Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Norway; granted for duration of research stay of six weeks (~ €3,000)
- 10/2019      **Cologne Graduate School doctoral scholarship** at University of Cologne; granted for three years of doctoral studies (~ €50,000)

- 11/2018 **Master Thesis Award** from the Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI) and the Netherlands Demographic Society (NVD) for best master thesis in the interdisciplinary field of population studies in 2018, Utrecht (€500)
- 3/2018 **Best Poster Award**, “Mismatch between public childcare-related attitude and behavior – A comparative analysis between eleven Central Eastern and Western European countries” at the Annual Conference of the German Demographic Society (DGD), Cologne
- 9/2017 **DAAD scholarship** for studying in Master programme at University of Groningen, Netherlands; granted for full academic year (~ €7,500)
- 11/2017 **Dean's Award** (top 5% of study cohort) in master program Sociology and Social Research, University of Cologne
- 6/2014 **Dean's Award** (top 10% of study cohort) in bachelor program Social Sciences, University of Cologne

### Peer-reviewed Publications

Hünteler, B. & Hank, K. (2023) Life Course Generational Placements in the Family System and Individuals' Well-being in Later Life. *Ageing & Society*

Wetzel, M. & Hünteler, B. (2022) The Blind Spot: Studying the Association Between Survey Non-Response and Adherence to COVID-19 Governmental Regulations in a Population-based German Web-Survey, *Survey Research Methods*.

Hünteler, B. (2022) A New Perspective on the Generational Structures of Families: Generational Placements over the Life Course, *Advances in Life Course Research*.

Wetzel, M., Wörn, J., Hünteler, B. & Hank, K. (2022) Heterogeneity in Trajectories of Life Satisfaction After Reunification: The Role of Individual Resources and Life Stage in Former East Germany, *Social Indicators Research*.

Hünteler, B.\* & Wetzel, M.\* (2020) Relationship-based Selective Participation of Secondary Respondents in a German Multi-Actor Panel Study, *Journal of Marriage and Family*. (\*shared first authorship)

Hünteler, B. & Mulder, C. H. (2020) Geographic Proximity to Parents, Intergenerational Support Exchange, and Migration within Germany, *European Journal of Population*.

### Book chapters

Jeesse, L., Hünteler, B. & Hank, K. (2024) Family as Generational Context for Social Inequality [Familie als generationaler Kontext sozialer Ungleichheiten]. In *Handbook Social Stratification [Handbuch Sozialstrukturanalyse]*, Eds. Petra Böhnke & Dirk Konietzka.

## Ongoing Research Projects

Under review	<b>Hünteler, B.</b> , Nutz, T. & Wörn, J.: It All Runs in the Family? The Interplay of Intergenerational Family Positions and Wealth Trajectories. [preprint available <a href="#">here</a> ]
Under review	<b>Hünteler, B.</b> , Wetzel, M. & Cass, A.: Flexible Work Policies and the Division of Housework and Childcare in German Cohabiting Couples.
In Preparation	<b>Hünteler, B.</b> & Alburez-Gutiérrez, D.: Generational Placement Trajectories in Norway: Combining Empirical and Simulated Data.
In Preparation	<b>Hünteler, B.*</b> , Polizzi, A.* & van Raalte, A.: Changing Kinship Structures in East and West Germany Before and After Reunification. (*shared first authorship)
In Preparation	Maskileyson D., & <b>Hünteler, B.</b> : Examining the Wealth-health Gradient by Migration Background, Nativity and Reason for Migration in Norway.
In Preparation	<b>Hünteler, B.</b> & Sauter, J.: The Associations Between Generational and Marital Placements over the Life Course and Wellbeing in Later Life.
In Preparation	<b>Hünteler, B.</b> , Hank, K., Alburez-Gutiérrez, D., Leopold, T.: A Typology of Nuclear and Extended Family Relations in the United States.

## Teaching Activities

Winter 2021/22	<b>Changing Partnerships and Family</b> , seminar, MSc Sociology and Social Research, University of Cologne, language: English
Winter 2021/22	<b>Gender, Work and Family</b> , seminar, BSc Social Sciences, University of Cologne, language: German

## Supervision of Graduate Students

Since 10/2023	First supervisor of one Master thesis at University of Cologne
Since 4/2023	PHDS mentor of Andrea Colasurdo at MPIDR, supervised by Diego Alburez-Gutiérrez (MPIDR) and Clara H. Mulder (University of Groningen)
Since 10/2021	First supervisor of one Bachelor thesis and second supervision of various Bachelor and Master theses at University of Cologne

## Reviewer Activities

Demography, European Sociological Review, European Journal of Population, Journal of Population Ageing, Journal of Family Psychology, Sociological Research Methods, Social Forces (reviewer in training), The Journal of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences (reviewer in training), The Journal of Gerontology Series B: Social Sciences (reviewer in training)

## Institutional Responsibilities

- 10/2020 – 11/2022 **Elected representative of academic pre- and postdoc staff members at the Board of Directors**, Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology, University of Cologne
- 4/2013 – 3/2016 **Active member of student association**, Faculty of Economics and Social Science, University of Cologne

## Memberships

- European Association for Population Studies ([EPAS](#))  
Family section of German Association of Sociology ([DGS](#))  
German Demographic Society ([DGD](#))  
Sequence Analysis Association ([SAA](#))

## Science Communication & Outreach

- 1/2024 **Public presentation for non-scientific audience [Salon Sophie-Charlotte](#)**, Berlin (DE), organized by Berlin-Brandenburgische Academy of Science, “What makes us older? Time and life phases in the generational system” (in German)

## Invited Presentations

- 3/2024 **Sociology Department Research Seminar Series (Trinity College Dublin)** (online, hosted by Jan Skopek), “Intergenerational Life-Course Family Structures and Social Inequality”
- 3/2022 **Sequence Analysis Webinar Series** (online, hosted by Tim Liao and Matthias Studer), “A New Perspective on the Generational Structures of Families: Generational Placements Over the Life Course”

## Conference Participations

- 3/2024 **Annual Conference of the German Demographic Society (DGD)**, Hamburg (DE), “Generational Placement Trajectories in Norway: Combining Empirical and Simulated Data” (with Diego Alburez-Gutiérrez)
- 12/2023 **Autumn meeting of family section of German Association of Sociology (DGS)**, Cologne (DE), “Changing Kinship Structures in East and West Germany Before and After Reunification” (with Antonino Polizzi and Alyson van Raalte)
- 9/2023 **EAPS Health, Morbidity and Mortality Working Group Meeting**, Budapest (HUN), “For whom does wealth matter more for health? Nativity wealth-health gradient in Norway” (with Dina Maskileyson)
- 9/2023 **European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) 2023 conference**, Prague (CZ), “For whom does wealth matter more for health? Nativity wealth-health gradient in Norway” (with Dina Maskileyson)

- 8/2023 **4<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Academy of Sociology**, Bern (CH), “For whom does wealth matter more for health? Nativity wealth-health gradient in Norway” (with Dina Maskileyson)
- 6/2023 **Gender and Wealth Inequality Network (GWIN) Workshop (ECSR)**, Birmingham (UK), “It All Runs in the Family? The Interplay of Intergenerational Family Positions and Wealth Trajectories” (with Theresa Nutz and Jonathan Wörn)
- 9/2022 **41<sup>st</sup> Congress of the German Sociological Association (DGS)**, Bielefeld (DE), “The Interplay of Intergenerational Family Positions and Wealth Trajectories in Different Life Phases“ (with Theresa Nutz and Jonathan Wörn)
- 4/2022 **RC28 Spring Conference**, London (UK), “The Interplay of Intergenerational Family Positions and Wealth Trajectories in Different Life Phases“ (with Theresa Nutz and Jonathan Wörn)
- 9/2021 **15<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Sociological Association (ESA)**, Barcelona (ES, online), “Life Course Generational Placements in the Family System and Individuals’ Well-Being and Health in Later Life” (with Karsten Hank)
- 2/2021 **IV ISA Forum of Sociology**, Porto Alegre (BRA, online), “A New Perspective on Family Demography – Changing Compositions and Individual Positions in Multigenerational Families”
- 3/2018 **Annual Conference of the German Demographic Society (DGD)**, Cologne (DE), “Participation Patterns of Secondary Respondents: Following Mothers in the German Family Panel Study” (with Martin Wetzel)
- 3/2018 **Annual Conference of the German Demographic Society (DGD)**, Cologne (DE), “Mismatch between public childcare-related attitude and behavior - A comparative analysis between eleven Central Eastern and Western European countries” (poster)

### **Participations in Workshops & Trainings**

- 5/2023 **Workshop** “Matrix Approaches to Modelling Kinship: Theory and Applications”, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research
- 4/2023 **Workshop** “Superpower Resilience - confident and relaxed on the career path”, Albertus-Magnus-Centre, University of Cologne
- 9/2021 **Workshop** “Preparing courses“, Center for Advanced Teaching and Learning (ZHD), University of Cologne (via online teaching)
- 9/2020 **GESIS Summer School** Courses: “Mathematical Tools for Social Scientists: A Refresher Course with R” and “Applied Multiple Imputation”, GESIS Cologne (DE, via online teaching)

- 1/2020 **Workshop** “Scientific presentation: presenting and discussing confidently”, Albertus-Magnus-Centre, University of Cologne (DE)
- 8/2019 **SLLS Summer School** on Longitudinal and Life Course Research, NCCR LIVES at the University of Geneva (CH)
- 3/2019 **Workshop** “SOEP@Campus@DIW Berlin 2019”, German Institute for Economic Research DIW, Berlin (DE)

## Languages

German	Native speaker
English	Excellent, C1
Spanish	B2+
Dutch	A2

## Computer Skills

Scientific	Advanced user of Stata Basic user of R with advanced skills in sequence and cluster analysis, formal demographic kinship models (DemoKin), microsimulation (rsocsim) Basic user of SPSS with specific skills in survival analysis and structural equation modelling with Amos
Other	Microsoft Office, Overleaf