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Research Interests

Property Relations • Wealth Inequality • Quantitative and Computational Methods

Education

10/2026 – present LMU Munich
Ph.D. in Sociology
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Fabian Pfeffer

10/2024 – 09/2026 LMU Munich
M.A. in Sociology, August 2026, Final Grade: 1.06 | Top 2.5% of cohort
Thesis: *"Coding the Knowledge Commons. Patent Ownership and Publicly Funded Science in U.S. High Tech"* (Grade 1.0)
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Fabian Pfeffer

10/2020 – 09/2024 Munich University of Applied Sciences
B.A. in Business Administration, July 2024, Final Grade: 1.80
Thesis: *"Brand Activism. A Response to Political Polarization?"* (Grade 1.0)

Academic Positions

10/2026 – present Doctoral Researcher, LMU Munich
Chair of Quantitative Research on Inequality and Families, Prof. Dr. Josef Brüderl

10/2025 – 09/2026 Student Research Assistant, LMU Munich
Chair of Social Inequality and Social Structures, Prof. Dr. Fabian Pfeffer

11/2025 – 02/2026 Student Teaching Assistant, LMU Munich
Chair of Quantitative Social Research, Prof. Dr. Katrin Auspurg

06/2025 – 03/2026 Student Research Assistant, Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy
PERGAP Project (ERC-funded), Dr. Simone M. Schneider

07/2024 – 09/2024 Intern, Bavarian State Institute of Higher Education Research and Planning

Manuscripts in Progress

Ada, Darius. "Framing Poverty in Everyday Conversations: Insights from Reddit"

Grants and Awards

04/2025 – 09/2026 Ebner Foundation Scholarship, LMU Munich

Teaching

Fall 2026	Co-Instructor, Applied Data Analysis Supervision of four theses (BA-level)
Fall 2025	Teaching Assistant, Applied Data Analysis

Service

09/2024 – present Volunteer, ArbeiterKind.de, Munich

Additional Training

09/2025	Open Science Summer School, LMU Open Science Center
03/2025	Introduction to Statistical Data Analysis with R, StaBLab, LMU Munich

Skills

Technical Skills: Stata, R, Python

Tools: Zotero, Overleaf, Quarto, GitHub

Languages: German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (basic proficiency)