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## Personal Information

born: 15/02/1989 in Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina

## Academic Positions

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### Full Professor

Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology and Psychotherapy  
University of Wuppertal, Germany since Dec 2022

### Director

Psychology Outpatient Clinic for Children and Adolescents  
University of Wuppertal, Germany since Dec 2022

### Assistant Professor

Child & Adolescent Clinical Psychology  
Witten/Herdecke University, Germany April 2021 – Nov 2022  
Department of Psychology and Psychotherapy

### Postdoctoral Scholar

University of Pittsburgh, PA, USA Jun 2020 – Dec 2020  
Personality Processes and Outcomes Laboratory

### Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar

University of Pittsburgh, PA, USA Aug 2019 – May 2020  
Personality Processes and Outcomes Laboratory

### Postdoctoral Scholar

Leibniz Institute for Resilience Research Mainz, Germany Jun 2019 – April 2021

### PhD researcher

Department of Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology  
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany Apr 2015 – May 2019

## Competing offers, Ranks

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**University of Heidelberg**, Full Professorship, W3 and  
Director of Outpatient Clinic for Children and Adolescents 2023  
(shortlisted, list not published)

**University of Hamburg**, Full Professorship, W3 and  
Director of Outpatient Clinic for Children and Adolescents (offer, declined) 2022

**Witten/Herdecke University**, Full Professorship, W3 and  
Director of Outpatient Clinic for Children and Adolescents (offer, declined) 2022

## Education

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<b>PhD</b> Department of Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany <i>summa cum laude, highest distinction</i>	Feb 2019
<b>License for Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy</b> Central Institute of Mental Health CPP Mannheim, Germany	Jan 2022
<b>License for Cognitive Behavioral Psychotherapy</b> Center for Psychological Psychotherapy Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany	Mar 2019
<b>Master of Science in Clinical Psychology</b> Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany	Mar 2015
<b>Bachelor of Science in Psychology</b> Minor: Cultural Anthropology Trier University, Germany	Dec 2012

## Research Experience

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<b>Visiting Graduate Student</b> University of California, Riverside, USA Kids Interaction and Neurodevelopment Lab, Kalina Michalska Riverside Accuracy Project, David Funder	Jan – Apr 2017
<b>Visiting Graduate Student</b> National Institute of Mental Health, Bethesda, USA Mood Brain and Development Unit, Argyris Stringaris	Apr 2017
<b>Visiting Graduate Student (part time)</b> Central Institute for Mental Health, Germany Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Tobias Banaschewski	May 2016 – May 2017
<b>Visiting Graduate Student</b> Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neurosciences, King's College London, UK Mood and Development Lab, Argyris Stringaris and Emily Simonoff	Sep 2014 – Feb 2015
<b>Research Assistant</b> Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany Department of Department of Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology, Michèle Wessa	Okt 2013 – Nov 2014
<b>Student Research Assistant</b> Trier University, Germany Department of Giftedness Research and Education, Franzis Preckel	Jun 2010 – Jun 2012

## Clinical Experience

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<b>Licensed Clinical Psychologist</b> Outpatient Clinic for Children and Adolescents Center for Psychotherapy DGVV (German Association for CBT), Münster, Germany	Mar 2021 – Jan 2022
<b>Psychotherapist in advanced training</b> Outpatient Clinic Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz	Oct 2016 – Apr 2019
<b>Clinical Internship</b> Outpatient Clinic Johannes Gutenberg University, Germany	May 2016 – Apr 2019
<b>Clinical Internship</b> General Psychiatry University Medical Center Mainz, Germany	Apr 2015 – Apr 2016

## Grants currently under review/in preparation

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### **American Foundation of Suicide Prevention (450.000\$)**

Linked Standard Research Innovation Grant

Disclosure of Suicidal Thoughts and Behaviors in the Daily Lives of Youth

Role: Principal Investigator together with Dr. Olivia Kirtley

### **German Research Foundation (~400.000€)**

Socio-Affective Risk and Protective Factors in The Daily Lives of Youth At Risk For Suicide

Role: Principal Investigator

## Grants, Honours and Scholarships

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**Federal Anti-Discrimination Agency (~200.000€)** 2023-2025

Racial Discrimination and Self-Harm in the Daily Lives of Youth

Role: Principal Investigator

**Heidehof Foundation (~100.000€)** 2023-2025

Daily Racial Discrimination and Youth Mental Health

Role: Principal Investigator

**Best Dissertation Award** 2020

Friends of the University Mainz

**Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh** 2019

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst

(DAAD; German Academic Exchange Service)

**Rosenthal Nonverbal Preconference Poster Award** 2018

Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology

**Foreign travel award** 2018

19th annual SPSP Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst

(DAAD; German Academic Exchange Service)

**Fulbright Commission** 2017

Visiting Scholars Program

<b>Graduate Student Travel Award</b> 18th Annual Meeting of The Society for Personality and Social Psychology San Antonio, Texas, USA	2017
<b>Gutenberg Academy for Young Researchers</b> Junior Member	2016 – 2018
<b>Heinrich Böll-Foundation (Green Political Foundation)</b> Student Scholarship Research Fellowship at King’s College London, United Kingdom	2010 – 2015

## Collaborators

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Aidan G. C. Wright, University of Michigan  
 Alexandre Y. Dombrowski, University of Pittsburgh  
 Olivia J. Kirtley, KU Leuven  
 Jennifer Silk, University of Pittsburgh  
 Tina Goldstein, University of Pittsburgh  
 Michael N. Hallquist, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
 Barbara De Clercq, Ghent University  
 Thomas Olino, Temple University

## Editorial Board

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<b>Clinical Psychological Science</b> Associate Editor	Jan 2023 – present
<b>European Journal of Personality</b> Consulting Editor	Jan 2021 – present
<b>Personality Disorders: Theory, Research, and Treatment</b> Consulting Editor	Jan 2021 – present

## Teaching/Mentoring

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### Graduate Students

Lina Krakau, Program: MeMentum, University of Mainz	since April 2022
Paula Philippi	since April 2023
Ece Aleyna Demirgünes	since October 2023
Cara Wicher	since October 2023
Hannah Matz	since October 2023

### Postdoctoral Mentees

Dr. Anna Ball	since December 2022
Dr. Björn Schlier	since October 2023
Dr. Rebekka Büscher, Program: AdvanceMent, University of Freiburg	since June 2022

### Witten/Herdecke University

Child and Adolescent Clinical Psychology, Graduate Lecture; Psychotherapy Research, Graduate Seminar; Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy	2021-2022
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<b>University of Pittsburgh</b> Undergraduate Honors Thesis Quantitative Workshop/Consulting	2019
<b>M. Sc. Psychology, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz</b> Mechanisms of Psychological Disorders, Neuropsychology	2018-2019
<b>B. Sc. Psychology, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz</b> Biology of Developmental Psychopathology, Undergraduate Seminar; A developmental perspective on our social brain, Undergraduate Seminar; How to Design, Conduct and Report Experiments, Undergraduate Seminar	2015-2018

## Reviewer for

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Psychological Medicine, Clinical Psychological Science, Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry, Behaviour Research and Therapy, Addictive Behaviors, Biological Psychology, Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders, European Journal of Psychological Assessment, Frontiers Psychology, Journal of Personality Assessment, Journal of Research in Personality, Crisis, BMC Psychiatry, Zeitschrift für Entwicklungspsychologie und Pädagogische Psychologie, Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, Journal of Child and Family Studies