

Curriculum Vitae

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Forschungsschwerpunkte

Nachbarschaftseffekte

Methoden der empirischen Sozialforschung (insb. Datenverknüpfung)

Soziale Ungleichheit (insb. Armut) und Zufriedenheitsforschung

Eurocohort / Growing Up in Digital Europe (GUIDE)

Abschlüsse

2007 PhD in Economics, University of Bristol

2003 Diplom-Teilprüfung im Beifach Volkswirtschaftslehre („sehr gut“), FU Berlin

2002 M.Sc. in Social Policy and Planning (“pass with merit”), London School of Economics and Political Sciences

2001 Vordiplom in Soziologie (“gut“), Freie Universität zu Berlin

Stipendien

2005-2006 Promotionsstipendiatin des CMPO, University of Bristol

2004-2006 Promotionsstipendiatin des DIW Berlin

1999-2003 Stipendiatin in der Grundförderung der Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

Beruflicher Werdegang

2021- heute wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin, Thünen-Institut

2013-2021 Research Fellow, ISER University of Essex

2007-2013 Senior Research Officer, ISER University of Essex

2007 Werksvertragsnehmerin am DIW Berlin und CMPO University of Bristol

2002 Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeit, London School of Economics, Centre for Analysis of Social Exclusion, London

2000-2007 Studentische Mitarbeiterin, DIW Berlin, SOEP

1999-2000 Studentische Mitarbeiterin im Büro von Dagmar Freitag, MdB

1995-1998 Ehrenamtliche Mitarbeiterin und Honorarkraft in der offenen Jugendarbeit der Stadt Lemgo, Jugendamt.

Forschungsprojekte (laufende und abgeschlossene)

“COhort cOmmunity Research and Development Infrastructure Network for Access Throughout Europe (COORDINATE)“, inkl. [Eurocohort](#) Pilot Studie. ERC H2020. Antragstellerin und wissenschaftliche Leitung (PI)-Essex, (PI: Prof Gary Pollock). 04/2021-03/2025. €4.9 Mio.

‘Evaluation - Local Delivery Pilot for Sport England’. Essex County Council/ Sport England. Consultant für Survey Methoden (Principal Investigator, PI: Dr. Valerie Gladwell). Laufzeit: 07/2019-12/2022. Antragsvolumen: £687 Tsd.

‘Investigating People-Place Effects in the UK using Linked Longitudinal Survey and Administrative Data’. Nuffield Foundation. Antragstellerin und wissenschaftliche Leitung (PI). Laufzeit: 01/2018-08/2020. Antragsvolumen: £189 Tsd.

‘European Cohort Development Programme’. EU Horizon 2020. Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeit (PI Essex: Prof Peter Lynn). Laufzeit: 01/2018-12/2019. Antragsvolumen: €2 Mio.

‘Understanding Society: The UK Household Longitudinal Study’. ESRC. Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeit und wissenschaftliche Leitung Teilbereich: Nachbarschaft und Added-value Daten (PI: Prof Michaela Benzeval). Aktuelle Laufzeit: 10/2019-09/2022. Antragsvolumen: £50 Mio.

„Understanding Non-response on Understanding Society“. NCRM Methodological Innovation Project. Mitantragstellerin (Co-investigator, Co-I). Laufzeit 04/2013-09/2014. Antragssumme: £140 Tsd.

„Life Transitions and Transport Behaviour“, ESRC Secondary Data Analysis Initiative. Co-I. Laufzeit: 11/2012-04/2014. Antragsvolumen: £153 Tsd.

Zudem Realisierung eigener Forschungsarbeiten durch Teilfinanzierung und wissenschaftliche Mitarbeit in den Forschungsprojekten (kursiv: Zeitraum des Mitwirkens), chronologisch sortiert: „Understanding Society“, „UK Longitudinal Studies Centre“, und „Creating bio-social survey within Understanding Society“ (ESRC, 2007-2019); „Migrant Diversity and Regional Disparity in Europe“ (NORFACE, 2012-2013); „Cohort & Longitudinal Studies Enhancement Resources, WP7: Health Data Linkage“ (ESRC, 2013-2015); „Centre for Micro-Social Change“ (ESRC, 2015-2019).

Wissenschaftliche Ämter und Funktionen

- Mitglied im wissenschaftlichen Beraterkreis des Polish National Science Centre geförderten Projekts ‘The dynamics of youth employment precarity: drivers, trajectories, and outcomes in a cross-national perspective (CNB-Young)’ (PI: Dr hab. Anna Kiersztyn, University of Warsaw) (seit 2019).
- Wissenschaftliche Leiterin für den Themenbereich Nachbarschaften und generierte Daten in der Längsschnittstudie Understanding Society (seit 2017).
- Mitglied im wissenschaftlichen Beraterkreis des ESRC geförderten Projekts ‘Anti-Social Behaviour: who experiences it and in what context?’ (PI: Dr Becky Thompson, Nottingham Trent University) (2017-2019).
- Mitherausgeberin (associate editor) der Zeitschrift ‘Sociology’ der British Sociological Association (2016-2019).
- Stellvertretende Leiterin des Understanding Society Datenschulungsprogramms (2014-2021)

Andere Ämter und Funktionen

- Mentorin für ArbeiterKind.de (seit 2008)
- Mentorin für FES-Ehemalige e.V. (seit 2004)

Gutachtertätigkeit (ad hoc)

Zeitschriften: British Journal of Sociology, European Sociological Review, Public Opinion Quarterly, Social Science Research, Social Indicators Research, Journal of Happiness Research, Journal of Adolescence, Review of Income and Wealth, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Official Statistics, Survey Research Methods, Oxford Economic Review, German Economic Review.

Forschungsförderung: Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Medical Research Council (MRC), The Nuffield Foundation, National Science Foundation (NSF).

Akademische Selbstverwaltung

- Mitglied des Global Forums für die Belange internationaler Mitarbeiterinnen der University of Essex (2015-2021)
- Vorsitzende des akademischen Mittelbaus und Vertretung seiner Belange im internen Institutsrat des ISER University of Essex (2012-2013)
- Organisatorin von ISER's Seminarreihe (2007-2008)
- Organisatorin ISER-SOEP Junior Researcher Exchange Programme (2007-2014)

Mitgliedschaften

British Sociological Association (BSA), European Survey Research Association (ESRA), International Society for Child Indicators Research (ISCI)

Abgeschlossene Fortbildungen (seit 2010)

Mehrtägige Lehrgänge: Management Essentials; Springboard (Personal Development for Women); 1-tägige Workshops: How to be a good PI; Medienkompetenztraining; Research grant writing workshop; Writing clinic; Using active listening skills to enhance learning; Supervising to completion; Awareness of Psychological type in teaching and supporting; Examining doctoral students; 1/2-tägige Workshops: Developing student motivation through active feedback; Supervising masters' dissertations and projects; Supervising international research students.

Lehrveranstaltungen

Masterkurse

- Longitudinal Data Analysis for Sociologists. MSc in Sociology an der University of Essex (mit Anderen). Zeitraum: 2013/14 und 2014/15.
- Survey Methodology I. MSc in Survey Methodology an der University of Essex (mit Anderen). Zeitraum: 2012/13.

Hands-on Trainingskurse in Datenmanagement und Analyse

- Cross-national comparative research using panel data (2019, SERISS Kurs)
- Neighbourhood research using Understanding Society (seit 2018)

- Introduction to Understanding Society Using R (seit 2020)
- Introduction to Understanding Society Using Stata
- Introduction to Understanding Society for Transport Analysts (2013, dann: Moodle)
- Introduction to the BHPS and Panel Data Analysis Using Stata (2010)
- Introduction to the BHPS Using Stata (2008-2009, dann: Moodle)

Veröffentlichungen

Aufsätze in begutachteten Fachzeitschriften

- Knies, Melo, Zhang (in print). Neighborhood Deprivation, Life Satisfaction, and Earnings: Comparative Analyses of Neighborhood Effects at Bespoke Scales, *Urban Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0042098020956930>
- Platt, Knies, Luthra, Nandi & Benzeval (in print). Understanding Society at 10 Years, *European Sociological Review*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcaa031>
- Plum, A & Knies, G (2019): Local unemployment changes the springboard effect of low pay: Evidence from England. *PLOS One*. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0224290>.
- Knies, G (2017): Exploring the value of Understanding Society for analyses of neighbourhood effects. *Research Data Journal for the Humanities and Social Sciences*. <http://doi.org/10.1163/2452366601000006>.
- Sandercock, GRH et al. (2016): The relationships between socioeconomic status, family income and measures of muscular and cardiorespiratory fitness in Colombian schoolchildren, *Journal of Paediatrics*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jpeds.2016.12.058>.
- Knies, G, Nandi, A & Platt, L (2016): Life Satisfaction, Ethnicity and Neighbourhoods: Is There an Effect of Neighbourhood Ethnic Composition on Life Satisfaction? *Social Science Research*. <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0049089X16302095>.
- Knies, G & Burton, J (2014): Analysis of four studies in a comparative framework reveals: health linkage consent rates on British cohort studies higher than on UK household panel surveys. *BMC Medical Research Methodology* 14:125. <https://bmcmmedresmethodol.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/1471-2288-14-125>.
- Sala, E, Knies, G & Burton, J (2014): Propensity to consent to data linkage: experimental evidence on the role of three survey design features, *International Journal of Social Research Methodology* 17(5), pp.455-473. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13645579.2014.899101>.
- Clark, B, Chatterjee, K, Melia, S, Knies, G & Laurie, H (2014): Life Events and Travel Behaviour: Exploring the Inter-Relationship Using the UK Household Longitudinal Study, *Transportation Research Record* 2413(2), pp.54-64. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.3141/2413-06>.
- Knies, G. (2013): Neighbourhood social ties: How much do residential, physical and virtual mobility matter? *British Journal of Sociology* 64(3), pp.425-452. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/1468-4446.12026>.
- Sala, E, Terraneo, M, Lucchini, M & Knies, G (2013): Exploring the impact of male and female facial attractiveness on occupational prestige, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 31, pp.6981. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S027656241200056X>.

- Sala, E., Burton, J and Knies, G (2012): Correlates of Obtaining Informed Consent: Respondent, Interview and Interviewer Characteristics. *Sociological Methods & Research* 41(3), pp. 414-439. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0049124112457330>.
- Knies, G., Sala, E., Burton, J. (2012): Consenting to Health Record Linkage: Evidence from a Multipurpose Longitudinal Survey of a General Population. *BMC Health Services Research* 12:52, pp.1-12. <https://bmchealthservres.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/1472-6963-12-52>.
- Knies, G. (2012): Income Comparisons among Neighbours and Satisfaction in East and West Germany, *Social Indicators Research* 106(3), pp.471-489. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11205-011-9818-5>.
- Knies, G, Burgess, S and Propper, C (2008): Keeping Up with the Schmidts: An Empirical Test of Relative Deprivation Theory in the Neighbourhood Context, *Schmollers Jahrbuch: Journal of Applied Social Science Studies*, 128, pp. 75-108.

Andere Veröffentlichungen

Datenpapiere

- Knies, G (2018): The Understanding Society Waves 1-8 User Guide. Colchester: University of Essex. (jährlich 2014-2019)
- Fumagalli, L, Knies, G and Buck, N (2017): The Understanding Society Harmonised British Household Panel Survey User Guide. Colchester: University of Essex.
- Lynn, P & Knies, G (2015): The Understanding Society Quality Profile, Wave 1-5. Colchester: University of Essex.
- Al Baghal, T, Knies, G & Burton, J (2014): Linking Administrative Records to Surveys: Differences in the Correlates to Consent Decisions, *Understanding Society Working Paper series no 2014-09*.
- Burton, J, Knies, G, & Al Baghal, T (2015): The Understanding Society Interviewer Survey 2014 User Guide. Colchester: University of Essex.
- Knies, G & Menon, S (2014): *Understanding Society: Waves 1-3, 2009-2012: Special Licence Access, Geographical Accessibility, User Guide*. Colchester: University of Essex.
- Lynn, P et al. (2012): *An Initial Look at Non-response and Attrition in Understanding Society*”, *Understanding Society Working Paper*, No. 2012-02, January 2012.
- Knies, G & Spiess, CK (2007): *Regional Data in the German Socio-economic Panel Study (SOEP)*, DIW Berlin, *Data Documentation* 17, pp. 277-281.

Datensätze

- Knies G, Melo P, & Zhang, M (2020) *Neighbourhood Effect Studies of Subjective and Objective Wellbeing (2002-2018)*, Mendeley Data, v1, DOI: 10.17632/nkf79rtfk8.1
- University of Essex. Institute for Social and Economic Research and National Centre for Social Research (2019): *Understanding Society: Waves 1-9, 2009-2018 and British Household Panel Survey, Wave 1-18 [computer file]*. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], November 2019. SN: 6614.
- University of Essex. Institute for Social and Economic Research and National Centre for Social Research (2019). *Understanding Society: Innovation Panel, Waves 1-11, 2008-*

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2018 [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], July 2019. SN: 6849.

University of Essex, Institute for Social and Economic Research. (2015). Understanding Society: Interviewer Survey, 2014 [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], SN: 7615, <http://dx.doi.org/10.5255/UKDA-SN-7615-2>.

University of Essex, Institute for Social and Economic Research and NatCen Social Research (2019). Understanding Society: Waves 1-2, 2009-2011: Special Licence Access, Geographical Accessibility [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], July 2014. SN: 7533, <http://dx.doi.org/10.5255/UKDA-SN-7533-2>

Andere Formate

Melo, P., Knies, G. & Patel, R. (2021): Location, location, location: will place-based initiatives improve people's quality of life?, Wellbeing and Place Blog Series, <https://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/news/opinion/will-place-based-initiatives-improve-quality-of-life>

Knies, G (2015): Are we looking for happiness in the wrong place: An academic's role in 'The Happiness Project' by the Roundhouse, ESRC Impact Blog, see <https://blog.esrc.ac.uk/2015/10/16/are-we-looking-for-happiness-in-all-the-wrong-places-an-academics-role-in-the-happiness-project-by-the-roundhouse/>.

Knies, G (2014): Life satisfaction and ethnicity, [audio file], Understanding Society podcast series 2014-01.

Sala, E and Knies, G (2013): People with more attractive faces tend to have higher occupational prestige, LSE Politics and Policy blog, see bit.ly/1PjBNLo

Knies, G (2012): Life Satisfaction and Material Well-Being of Children in the UK, ISER Working Paper, 2012-15.

Knies, G (2011): Life Satisfaction and Material Well-being of Young People in the UK, in: Understanding Society: Early Findings from the First Wave of the UK's Household Longitudinal Study, Ch.3, Colchester: ISER University of Essex.

Knies, G (2007): Neighbourhood Effects in Germany, PhD thesis Department of Economics, University of Bristol.

Knies, G & Krause, Peter (2006): Armut und Alter ('The Incidence of Poverty Among People of Different Age Groups in Germany', Considering Regional Differences), in: Nationalatlas Bundesrepublik Deutschland- Arbeit und Lebensstandard, Faßmann, H. et al (eds.), Vol. 7, Leipzig: Leibniz-Institut für Länderkunde, pp. 118–119.

Knies, G & Spiess, CK (2003): Fast ein Viertel der privaten Haushalte in Deutschland mit Konsumentenkreditverpflichtungen ('About a Quarter of Private Households in Germany Draw on Consumer Credit'), DIW Wochenbericht, no. 17.

Internationale und nationale Konferenzen

Regelmäßige Teilnahme mit Präsentationen und auch (co-)Organisation von Sitzungen: European Survey Research Association bi-annual conference, Understanding Society Scientific conference (bi-annual), und Society for Lifecourse and Longitudinal Studies annual

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conference. Teilnahme mit Präsentationen an Kongressen der British Sociological Association, International Sociological Association, International Society for Child Indicators, und der Population Association of America.

Geladene Vorträge (ausgewählt)

Geography of Health Inequalities Working Group of the Royal Geographical Society (2019). Expertenpanel 'Geocoded data for researching inequalities in subjective wellbeing and mental health'. Royal Geographical Society Annual Conference, 8 August 2019.

University of Bristol (July 2019), University of Manchester (June 2019), University College of London - Institute of Education (May 2019), University of London ICLS (April 2020). Vorträge aus dem von mir geleiteten Forschungsprojekt in interdisziplinären Seminarreihen: "Neighbourhood effects on wellbeing".

CLOSER Longitudinal Methodology Seminar VI, 28 January 2016, UCL, London: "The role of interviewers in gaining consent to record linkage: Evidence from the UK longitudinal studies"

BBC 100 Women, 1 December 2015, Live, Broadcasting House, London: "Are looks important for women's success?"

Roundhouse London, October 2013, The Happiness Project, "How important is money for children's happiness?"

Neighbourhood Effects Workshop, RWI Germany, 5-6 June 2014: Exploiting Understanding Society and BHPS for Neighbourhood Effects Research"

Human Geography Seminar Series University of Bristol, 30 May 2013: "Life satisfaction, ethnicity and neighbourhoods: Is there an effect of neighbourhood ethnic composition on life satisfaction?"

German Ministry of Social Affairs, Expert Workshop, May 2010: Wohnumfeld und Kontexteffekte: "Nachbarschaftskontexteffekte in UK- Forschungsergebnisse und politische Maßnahmen "(Neighbourhood context effects in UK: Empirical results and policy responses)

Forschungsaufenthalte

02/2020	University of Lisbon, Department of Economics and Management
03/2016	University of Milano-Bicocca, Department of Sociology
12/2014	FDZ und KEM am Institut für Arbeitsmarkts- und Berufsforschung, Nürnberg
03/2008	Centre for Longitudinal Studies am Institute of Education, University College London
seit 2004	mehrere Forschungsaufenthalte am DIW Berlin, SOEP

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