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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2021 – current Postdoctoral Researcher, Chair for Empirical Educational and Higher Education Research, Freie Universität Berlin
Project on higher education dropout and labour market integration, PI: Martin Neugebauer
- 2020 – 2021 Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Sociology, Universiteit van Amsterdam
Project on educational inequality and educational systems, PI: Herman van de Werfhorst
- 2015 – 2020 Doctoral Researcher, Department of Sociology, Universiteit van Amsterdam
Project on mechanisms of educational inequality, Supervisors: Herman van de Werfhorst and Thomas Leopold

EDUCATION

- 2021 PhD in Sociology (defended 18 Jan 2021)
Universiteit van Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2015 M.Sc. (Research) Social Sciences
Universiteit van Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2013 B.Sc. Psychology
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich, Germany
- 2012 B.A. Political Science and Economics
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich, Germany

RESEARCH VISITS AND INTERNSHIPS

- 2018 Visiting Researcher at the Comparative, International and Development Education Centre (CIDEC), University of Toronto
Research on comparative analysis of the role of student expectations in the educational attainment process, Host: Anna Katyn Chmielewski

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2020	Special Recognition for Teaching, Department of Sociology, Universiteit van Amsterdam
2018	Shortlisted for Prize Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (PPRF), University of Oxford
2016	Thesis prize of the Dutch Sociological Association (NSV) for the best research master's thesis in sociology at a Dutch university in the years 2014 and 2015
2016	Thesis prize of the Socio-economic Council (SER) of the Netherlands for the best master's thesis with a socio-economic topic in the years 2014 and 2015
2015	Shortlisted for the Research Talent grant of the Dutch Research Council (NWO)
2014 – 2015	Study abroad scholarship for graduate students (“Jahresstipendium”) German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
2013 – 2015	Merit scholarship for excellent students from the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Germany

PUBLICATIONS

- Journal Articles (peer-reviewed) Breznau, N., E.M. Rinke, A. Wuttke, [...], **A.G. Forster**, et al. (2022). Observing many researchers using the same data and hypothesis reveals a hidden universe of uncertainty *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 119 (44), e2203150119
- Forster, A.G.** (2021). Caught by surprise: The adaptation of parental expectations after unexpected ability track placement. *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, 76: 100630.
- Geven, S. and **A.G. Forster** (2021). The adaptation of educational expectations in response to ability tracking: Variations by migration background. *The British Journal of Sociology*, 72(5): 1284-1310.
- Forster, A.G.**, H.G. van de Werfhorst and T. Leopold (2021). Who benefits most from college? Dimensions of selection and heterogeneous returns to higher education in the United States and the Netherlands. *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, 73: 100607.
- Forster, A.G.** and H.G. van de Werfhorst (2020). Navigating institutions: Parents' knowledge of the educational system and students' success in education. *European Sociological Review*, 36(1): 48-64.

- Forster, A.G.**, and T. Bol (2018). Vocational education and employment over the life course Using a new measure of occupational specificity. *Social Science Research*, 70: 176-197.
- Forster, A.G.**, T. Bol, and H.G. van de Werfhorst (2016). Vocational education and employment over the life cycle. *Sociological Science* 3: 473-494.
- Dissertation **Forster, A.G.** (2021). Navigating educational institutions: Mechanisms of educational inequality and social mobility in different educational systems. PhD Dissertation. University of Amsterdam.
- Book chapters Karsten, S., H.G. van de Werfhorst, T. Bol, and **A.G. Forster** (2016). Waartoe een vakdiploma. In: Karsten, S., (2016). De hoofdstroom in de Nederlandse onderwijsdelta. Een nuchtere balans van het mbo. Antwerpen/Apeldoorn: Garant.
- Other **Forster, A.G.** and H.G. van de Werfhorst (2021). De invloed van ouderlijke kennis van het onderwijssysteem op het onderwijssucces van kinderen. *Mens en Maatschappij*, 96(1): 122.
- Breznau, N., E.M. Rinke, A. Wuttke, [...], **A.G. Forster**, et al. (2019). The crowdsourced replication initiative: Investigating immigration and social policy preferences. Executive report. *SocArXiv*.
- Forster, A.G.** (2017). Levensloopeffecten van beroepsgericht onderwijs. De valkuil van vocational decline. *Canon Beroepsonderwijs. Expertisecentrum Beroepsonderwijs*.
- Van de Werfhorst, H.G., **A.G. Forster** and T. Bol (2016). Is more vocational education the answer? *OECD Education and Skills Today*.
- Work in Progress Breznau, N., E.M. Rinke, A. Wuttke, [...], **A.G. Forster**, et al. (2021). How many replicators does it take to achieve reliability? Investigating researcher variability in a crowdsourced replication. Revise and Resubmit at *Sociological Methods and Research*, Preprint on *SocArXiv*.
- Forster, A.G.**, A.K. Chmielewski and H.G. van de Werfhorst (2021). Social inequality in student expectations and Higher Education Enrollment – A Comparison Between the United States and Germany. *Under review*, Preprint on *SocArXiv*.
- Forster, A.G.**, M. Neugebauer and L. Zielinski (n.d.). Under which conditions are factorial survey results valid? Comparing hiring decisions between a field and a vignette experiment. *preregistered study, data collection and analysis completed, currently working on manuscript draft*.

Forster, A.G. and M. Neugebauer (n.d.). The context of discrimination: How employer attitudes and the local political climate shape ethnic discrimination in hiring. *Data collection completed, data analysis and manuscript in preparation.*

Forster, A.G. and M. Neugebauer (n.d.). Trial and Error in Higher Education: Does withdrawal from a bachelor's program harm young people in the search for an apprenticeship? *Data collection completed, data analysis and manuscript in preparation.*

Bol, T. and **Forster, A.G.** (n.d.). Education and labour market outcomes: Vocational versus general education. Chapter for the Handbook on Education and Work *Manuscript in preparation.*

PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 Yearly Conference of the German Sociological Association, Bielefeld, September 2022
- 2021 Workshop “Experiments in Education and Labor Market Research”, WZB Berlin (online), September 2021
Workshop on Experimental Sociology, London School of Economics (online), June 2021
ISA RC28 Spring Meeting, University of Turku (online), June 2021
- 2020 5th International NEPS Conference, December 2020 (online)
ECSR Conference, University of Amsterdam (online), July 2020
- 2018 ECSR Conference, Science Po Paris, October 2018
Workshop “Educational inequalities: psychological and sociological processes”, Universität Tübingen, October 2018
AMCIS Educational Inequality Conference, Amsterdam, July 2018
Dutch Day of Sociology, Rotterdam, June 2018
Research seminar at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), Toronto, April 2018
- 2017 ISA RC28 Summer Meeting, Columbia University, New York, August 2017
Dutch Day of Sociology, Brussels, June 2017
- 2016 Dutch Ministry of Social Affairs (Invited Talk), Den Haag, December 2016
ECSR Conference, University of Oxford, September 2016
ISA RC28 Summer Meeting, University of Bern, August 2016
Workshop “The Politics of Education”, University of Konstanz, July 2016
Dutch Day of Sociology, Tilburg, June 2016
Conference “Human Capital over the Life-cycle”, ROA, Maastricht (Poster), February 2016
- 2015 Summer School “Labour Market Research”, ZEW, Mannheim, September 2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2023 Lecture on Sociology of Education, Freie Universität Berlin (planned for Spring Semester)
- 2022 Supervision student research project, Freie Universität Berlin (in German)
- 2021 Second reader Bachelor’s thesis, Freie Universität Berlin (in German)

2020	Master's thesis supervision, Sociology Master's programme, Universiteit van Amsterdam (in Dutch)
2018	Second Reader Master's thesis, Sociology Master's programme, Universiteit van Amsterdam (in English)
2017 – 2020	Advanced Statistics (Regression analysis), Sociology BA programme at the Universiteit van Amsterdam (in Dutch and English)
2015	Doing Research III (Regression analysis), PPLE BA programme at the Universiteit van Amsterdam (in English)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Reviewer	American Sociological Review, Empirical Research in Vocational Education and Training, European Societies, European Sociological Review, Research in Social Stratification and Mobility, Social Forces, Social Inclusion, Sociology of Education, Work and Occupations, Zeitschrift für empirische Hochschulforschung
Memberships	Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology (ICS), ISA RC28 on Social Stratification and Mobility, Inter-university working group on Social inequality and Life courses (ISOL)
Activities	
2022	Member of the Scientific Committee of the ECSR Conference 2022 at the University of Amsterdam.
2021	Member of organizing committee of the <i>Virtual Inequality Brownbag</i> – A seminar for PhDs and Postdocs of six international inequality research centers
2020	Member of the Sociology Department advisory group on diversity.
2020	Member of the Scientific Committee of the ECSR Conference 2020 at the University of Amsterdam (cancelled due to Covid-19).
2018	Co-organizer of the international AMCIS conference on educational inequality with about 60 participants at the University of Amsterdam.
2016 – 2018	PhD representative at the Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (AISSR), University of Amsterdam
2016 – 2018	Coordinator of the annual AISSR PhD survey, University of Amsterdam
2016 – 2017	Organizer “Institutions, Inequalities and Life-courses” seminar series, University of Amsterdam

2015 – present	Manager project website, social media and email communication for research team on “Educational Systems and Inequality” at the University of Amsterdam
2015 – 2019	Organizer PhD club “Quantitative Inequality and Network Research”, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (AISSR)
2015 – 2016	Organizer Sociology department seminar series, University of Amsterdam

OTHER SKILLS

Language skills	<p>German (Native speaker)</p> <p>English (fluent)</p> <p>Dutch (fluent)</p> <p>Spanish (very good command)</p> <p>French (basic communication skills)</p>
Courses and Workshops	<p>Workshop on Grant Proposal Writing, Dahlem Research School 2023</p> <p>Workshop on Agile Project Management, Dahlem Research School 2022</p> <p>GESIS Methods Seminar on Data Science using Python, GESIS 2020</p> <p>Workshop on Programming in Stata for longitudinal analysis, University of Amsterdam 2019</p> <p>Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis 2018 – Advanced Quantitative Data Analysis, University of Essex 2018</p> <p>NEPS Data User Training, LIfBI Bamberg 2018</p> <p>AISSR Teacher Training – Teaching English Language Courses, University of Amsterdam 2018</p> <p>Workshop on Experimentation in the Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam 2017</p> <p>Workshop on Bayesian Statistics, University of Amsterdam 2017</p> <p>ICS Graduate School Theory Course, 2017</p> <p>Workshop on Multiple Imputation, University of Amsterdam 2016</p> <p>AISSR Graduate Course in Research Design, University of Amsterdam 2016</p> <p>AISSR Teacher Training – Basic Training for Teaching Assistants, University of Amsterdam 2016</p> <p>AISSR Graduate Course ”Replication”, University of Amsterdam 2015</p>
Statistics and Technical Skills	<p>Stata, R, SPSS, Python, LUA, Unipark, Wordpress, HTML, LaTeX, Git, MS Office</p>