

# Curriculum Vitae

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Since 06/2016 Post-doctoral researcher, University of Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU),  
Chair of Economics, esp. Macroeconomics

02/2018-03/2018 Visiting researcher, University of Queensland, Brisbane

04/2017-06/2017 Visiting researcher, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

10/2012-06/2016 Research Assistant, University of Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU), Chair  
of Economics, esp. Macroeconomics

10/2012-12/2012 Research Assistant, Institute for Employment Research (IAB),  
Nuremberg  
Research Group: Labor Market Processes and Institutions (A1)

### EDUCATION

10/2012-06/2016 Ph.D. in economics, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität (FAU)  
Erlangen-Nürnberg  
Dr. rer. pol. (*summa cum laude*)  
Supervisor: Christian Merkl

09/2010-06/2011 Visiting student at University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA),

10/2009-03/2012 Georg-August-Universität Göttingen  
Master of Arts in International Economics

09/2007-01/2008 Visiting student at Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Science Po),  
Bordeaux

10/2005-08/2008 Technische Universität Dresden  
Bachelor of Arts in International Relations

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Revisiting the Matching Function,” with Daniela Nordmeier and Christian Merkl, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 2016, 69, 350-374.

## **WORKING PAPERS AND WORK IN PROGRESS**

“The (Ir)relevance of Real Wage Rigidity for Optimal Monetary Policy,” University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, mimeo, October 2019.

“Hartz IV and the Decline of German Unemployment: A Macroeconomic Evaluation,” with Brigitte Hochmuth, Hermann Gartner, and Christian Merkl, IZA Discussion Papers 12260, Institute for the Study of Labor, March 2019.

“Business Cycle Asymmetries and the Labor Market,” with Christian Merkl, CESifo Working Paper Series 5803, CESifo Group Munich, March 2016.

“Labor Selection over the Business Cycle: An Empirical Assessment,” with Brigitte Hochmuth, Hermann Gartner, and Christian Merkl, FAU Discussion Papers in Economics 02/2016, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, March 2016.

“The Effects of Productivity and Benefits on Unemployment: Breaking the Link,” with Alessio J.G. Brown, Christian Merkl, and Dennis J. Snower, UNU-Merit Working Paper, No. 32, May 2016.

## **HONORS**

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| 10/2016         | Female Faculty Prize, Faculty of Business, Economics, and Law of the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg (8250 Euro travel grant) |
| 01/2015-06/2015 | Bavarian Graduate Program in Economics (BGPE) Doctoral Student  |
| 01/2013-11/2015 | German Academic Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes) (Ph.D. scholarship)                             |
| 02/2007-02/2012 | German Academic Scholarship Foundation  |
| 2012            | Florenz-Sartorius-Prize for best graduation in economics at Georg-August-Universität Göttingen                                |
| 09/2010-06/2011 | Education Abroad Program of the University of California (full study fee waiver)  |
| 09/2010-06/2011 | DAAD scholarship for study abroad at UCLA (living expenses)   |

## **SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

2019	Vienna Macroeconomics Workshop, Theories and Methods in Macroeconomics (T2M), Nuremberg
2018	Vienna Macroeconomics Workshop; 12 <sup>th</sup> Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics, Os, Norway; IZA World of Labor, Berlin; Schumpeter Seminar, Humboldt University, Berlin; University of Queensland, Brisbane; Australian National University, Canberra; University of Adelaide, Adelaide
2017	Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York; Mid-West Macroeconomics Meeting, Baton Rouge; FAU/IAB-Seminar Macroeconomics and Labor Markets, Nuremberg; EES Workshop on Labor Markets and Macroeconomics, Nuremberg; 8th Ifo Conference on Macroeconomics and Survey Data, Munich
2016	Annual Meeting of the German Economic Association, Augsburg; 8th Conference, Growth and Business Cycles in Theory and Practice, Manchester, UK

## **TEACHING**

Monetary Policy and Applied Macroeconomics (lecture, Bachelor, FAU)  
Macroeconomic Methods – Applications to Monetary Policy (lecture, Master, FAU)  
Macroeconomics: Business Cycles (tutorial, Master, FAU)  
International Macroeconomics (tutorial, Bachelor, FAU)  
Macroeconomics (tutorial, Bachelor, FAU)

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Languages	German (native), English (fluent, Cambridge Advanced Certificate), French (advanced, UNICERT III), Portuguese (advanced)
Software	Matlab (& Dynare), Stata, Latex

Nuremberg, October 2019