
Academic Career

Positions

- exp. 8.2024 **Associate Professor, Norwegian University of Science and Technology**
Political Science, within Public Policy & Administration
- since 2021 **Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Konstanz**
Lecturer in Comparative Politics & Researcher for the Comparative Policy Agendas Project
- 2020-2024 **Project Director & External Fellow, Mannheim Centre for European Social Research**
Project analyzing the effects of judicial opinion-writing on politics and society
- 2018-2021 **Postdoctoral Fellow, Collaborative Research Center 884 at University of Mannheim**
Project analyzing judicial influence on political reform & public policy
- 2015-2018 **Graduate Research Fellow, Leibniz University Hannover**
Lecturer & Researcher in Comparative Politics
- 2014-2015 **Visiting Scholar, Emory University (USA)**
- 2011-2014 **Graduate Research Fellow, Georg-August-University Göttingen**
Project analyzing courts as veto players in the policy process
Major contributor to 'The Constitutional Court Database', www.CCDB.eu

Education

- 2012-2018 **Doctorate (Dr. rer. soc.), University of Mannheim**
Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences
Dissertation: 'The Two Faces of Judicial Power', published with Palgrave
- 2010-2011 **Master of Arts in Political Science, University of Mannheim**
- 2009-2010 **Visiting Graduate Student, Johns Hopkins University (USA)**
- 2006-2009 **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, University of Mannheim**
with completion of the minor in Public Law

Grants & Awards

- 2021 **Dissertation Award**, German Political Science Association
- 2021 **Research Award** for 'The Two Faces of Judicial Power', Bojanovsky-Foundation
- 2020 **Grant for a project on judicial opinion-writing**, MZES
Principle Investigator
- 2019 **Lorenz-von-Stein-Prize**, Best Dissertation in the Social Sciences, University of Mannheim
- 2019 **Grant for online surveys in 10 EU countries**, Collaborative Research Center 884
Principle Investigator, shared with M. Angelova, S. Juhl, R. Lehrer & T. Nascimento da Silva
- 2018 **Grant for online surveys in 12 EU countries**, Collaborative Research Center 884
Principle Investigator, shared with M. Angelova, R. Lehrer & N. Lin
- 2014-2015 **Scholarship for a research stay at the Department of Political Science at Emory University**,
German Academic Exchange Service
- 2009-2010 **Scholarship to study at the Department of Political Science at Johns Hopkins University**,
German Academic Exchange Service

Publication

Monograph

Engst, B. G. 2021. *The Two Faces of Judicial Power. Dynamics of Judicial-Political Bargaining*. Cham: Palgrave Macmillan. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-46016-7.

Scholarly article

- Arnold, C. / B. G. **Engst** / T. Gschwend. 2023. "Scaling Court Decisions with Citation Networks." *Journal of Law and Courts* 11 (1): 25-44. DOI: 10.1086/717420
- Garwe, C. / B. G. **Engst** / Y. Stawicki / C. Hönnige. 2022. "Temporal Strategies. Governments Alter the Pace of Legislation in Bicameralism Depending on Electoral Expectations." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 47 (1): 127-156. DOI: 10.1111/lsq.12327.
- Zúñiga, M. G. / A. Schell / B. G. **Engst** / J. P. Carey. 2021. "Reducing Sound Exposure during Ocular Vestibular Evoked Myogenic Potential Testing for Superior Semicircular Canal Dehiscence Syndrome." *Otology & Neurotology* 42 (6): 735-743. DOI: 10.1097/MAO.0000000000003084.
- Zúñiga, M. G. / S. Hügl / B. G. **Engst** / T. Lenarz / T. S. Rau. 2021. "The Effect of Ultra-slow Velocities on Insertion Forces. A study Using a Highly Flexible Straight Electrode Array." *Otology & Neurotology* 42 (8): 1013-1021. DOI: 10.1097/MAO.0000000000003148.
- Engst**, B. G. / T. Gschwend / S. Sternberg. 2020. "Die Besetzung des Bundesverfassungsgerichts. Ein Spiegelbild gesellschaftlicher Präferenzen?" [The Composition of the German Federal Constitutional Court. Mirror Image of Societal Preferences?] *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* 61 (2): 39-60. DOI: 10.1007/s11615-019-00204-7.
- Clark, T. S. / B. G. **Engst** / J. K. Staton. 2018. "Estimating the Effect of Leisure on Judicial Performance." *Journal of Legal Studies* 47 (2): 349-390. DOI: 10.1086/699150.
- Engst**, B. G. / T. Gschwend / N. Schaks / S. Sternberg / C. Wittig. 2017. "Zum Einfluss der Parteinähe auf das Abstimmungsverhalten der Bundesverfassungsrichter. Eine quantitative Untersuchung." [The Influence of Party Identification on the Voting Behavior of Federal Constitutional Court Judges. A Quantitative Assessment.] *Juristen Zeitung* 72 (17): 816-826. DOI: 10.1628/002268817X15004527599072.
- Sternberg, S. / T. Gschwend / C. Wittig / B. G. **Engst**. 2016. "Zum Einfluss der öffentlichen Meinung auf Entscheidungen des Bundesverfassungsgerichts. Eine Analyse von abstrakten Normenkontrollen sowie Bund-Länder-Streitigkeiten 1974 - 2010." [The Influence of Public Opinion on decisions of the Federal Constitutional Court. An Analysis of Abstract Judicial Reviews and Federal State Disputes 1974 – 2010.] *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* 56 (4): 570-598. DOI: 10.5771/0032-3470-2015-4-570.

Publications in edited volumes

- Engst**, B. G. / T. Gschwend. forthcoming. 2024. "Observational Databases." In: L. Epstein / G. Grendstad / U. Šadl / K. Weinshall (eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Judicial Behavior*. Oxford: Oxford University Press: Online first. DOI: 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780192898579.013.12.
- Engst**, B. G. / C. Hönnige. 2018. "Modern Times? Das Internet vor dem Bundesverfassungsgericht." [Modern Times? The Internet before the Federal Constitutional Court.] In: A. Busch, Y. Breindl, T. Jakobi (eds). *Netzpolitik. Ein einführender Überblick*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften: 163-187. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-658-02033-0_8.
- Engst**, B. G. 2017. "Die vierte Gesetzeslesung. Verfassungsgerichte des deutsch-österreichischen Modells als Vetospieler." [In Fourth Reading. Constitutional Courts of the German-Austrian Type as Veto Players.] In: V. Frick, O. Lembcke, R. Lhotta (eds). *Politik und Recht: Umriss eines politikwissenschaftlichen Forschungsfeldes*. Baden-Baden: Nomos: 281-301. DOI: 10.5771/9783845280349-281.

Popular science publications

- Sohnius M.-L. / B. G. **Engst** / T. Gschwend. 2020. "Kontinuität am Bundesverfassungsgericht? Wie die Öffentlichkeit Voßkuhles und Masings Nachfolger bewertet." [Continuity at the Federal Constitutional Court? How the public evaluates Voßkuhles and Masings successors.] *rechtsempirie.de*. DOI: 10.25527/re.2020.04.
- Engst**, B. G. / T. Gschwend / C. Hönnige. 2016. "Zum Dilemma des Verfassungsgerichtszugangs kleiner Oppositionsparteien. Was sagen eigentlich die Zahlen?" [On the dilemma of smaller opposition parties to refer to the constitutional court. What do numbers actually tell us?] *verfassungsblog.de*. DOI: 10.17176/20160126-172304.

Current projects

Engst, B. G. / D. M. Grundmanns / T. Gschwend. "How to place non-majoritarian institutions and political actors in a common policy space? Spatial modeling of court–executive interactions." *Conditional accept at Journal of Politics*.

Engst, B. G. / T. Gschwend. "Citizens' Commitment to Judicial Independence. A Discrete Choice Experiment in Nine European Countries." *Working paper*.

Engst, B. G. / T. Gschwend / C. Hönnige / S. Brouard. "Public attitudes towards judicial nominees in France, Germany and the United States." *Working paper*.

Engst, B. G. / T. Gschwend / C. Hönnige / C. Wittig. "The Constitutional Court Database. Conceptualizing a relational database." *Working paper*.

Teaching

Advising Adviser of 11 master and 11 bachelor theses

Hours 364.5 hours of teaching experience

Master level Judicial Politics in Comparative Perspective; Konstanz, Hannover
Rational Choice for Theory Building in Comparative Politics; Hannover
Advanced Readings in Comparative Politics; Hannover

Bachelor level Comparative Legislative Research; Konstanz
Modern Democracies in Comparison; Konstanz
Judicial Politics in Comparative Perspective; Hannover
Analyzing Policy Processes using Positive Political Theory; Hannover

Teaching training Training by the Baden-Württemberg Centre for Teaching and Learning
Completed: "Fit for University Teaching I & II"
Completed: "Practical Advising" including teaching visitation

Academic Services

since 2021 Chair, ECPR Steering Committee of the Standing Group on Law & Courts

2021 Section Chair (with M. Glavina), Law & Courts Section at the ECPR General Conference

2019-2021 Member of the Questionnaire Board of the German Internet Panel

2016-2017 Ph.D. & Postdoc Representative, Institute for Political Science, Hannover

2014 Committee Member, Appointment Committee for an Associate Professorship, Göttingen

2012-2014 Graduate Student Representative, Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences, Mannheim

Reviewer American Political Science Review; American Journal of Political Science; British Journal of Political Science; European Journal of Political Research; European Policy Analysis; Journal of Empirical Legal Studies; Journal of Law and Courts; der moderne staat; Oxford University Press; Swiss National Science Foundation

Memberships European Consortium for Political Research; European Political Science Association; German Political Science Association

Conference Presentations & Invited Talks

ECPR General Conference; 2013, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
Joint Sessions of Workshops; 2013

EPSA Annual Conference; 2012, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, excepted 2024

IPSA World Congress; 2012, 2014

APSA Annual Meeting; 2012, 2014

MPSA Annual Conference; 2014, 2015

NoPSA Congress; excepted 2024

DVPW Themengruppe Politik & Recht; 2013, 2016

Continued: Conference Presentations & Invited Talks

- Other Workshop Strategische Prozessführung, Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften; 2024
- ECONtribute LawEcon Workshop, University of Bonn; 2023
- Oxford Handbook of Comparative Judicial Behaviour - Contributors' Conference; 2022
- WZB Transformations of Democracy Seminar Series; 2022
- Workshop on Multi-User Databases on Judicial Decision-Making; 2019
- NASP Seminar on Administrative Courts; 2018
- Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Europe; 2016
- SSEES UCL International Postgraduate Conference; 2012

Outreach (selection)

- Panel expert "Amerika wählt. Die Nacht der Entscheidung." [America votes. The night to decide.] Friedrich-Naumann-Foundation, Online, November 3.-4., 2020.
- Panel expert "Stadtgespräch: Rückblick - Ausblicke - Augenblicke. 'Frieden und Demokratie.'" [City Conversation: Retrospect - Prospect - Moments. 'Peace and Democracy.']. Brandenburger Theater, November 16, 2019.
- Panel expert „Der Brandenburger Dom an der Schnittstelle von Staat und Kirche – neue Aufgaben im 21. Jahrhundert.“ Domstift Brandenburg, January, 10. 2019.
- Panel expert "Der wissenschaftliche Nachwuchs im Fokus. Diskussion mit Wissenschaftsministerin Theresia Bauer." [Focusing on Early-Career Scholars. Discussion with Minister of Science Theresia Bauer.]. Mannheim, September 21, 2015.

Further Qualifications

- Graduate School Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences, University of Mannheim
Structured, English speaking program; courses included, e.g.: Comparative Electoral Systems, Modeling International Conflict, Theory Building & Causal Inference, Advanced Quantitative Methods
- Summer Schools EITM Europe - Summer Institute, Game Theory; 2016
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, Logit and Probit Analysis; 2010
- Software R, Stata, \LaTeX , SQL & PgAdmin, Wordpress
- Languages German (native); English (business fluent)

References

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