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Current position

2023-present Associate Professor, Washington University in St. Louis
Department of Political Science
2023-present Head of Research Group PINPOINT, LMU Munich
Principal Investigator, ERC Starting Grant

Previous positions

2020-2023 Assistant Professor, Technical University of Munich
School of Management, School of Social Sciences and Technology
2020 Associate Professor, Texas A&M University
Department of Political Science
2015-2020 Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University
Department of Political Science

Education

2015 PhD in Political Science, University of Michigan
2012 MA in Political Science, University of Michigan
2010 MSc in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
2009 BA in Political Science, Freie Universität Berlin
Visiting Student in Economics, Università di Bologna

Selected Grants and Fellowships

2021 ERC Starting Grant, 2022-2027, European Research Council (\$1.6 million)
2014 Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan

Awards

2025 Best Paper in International Relations Award, Midwest Political Science Association
2023 Best Overall Paper Award, Southern Political Science Association
Marian Irish Best Paper Award, Southern Political Science Association
Sophonisba Breckinridge Best Paper Award, Midwest Political Science Association

- 2022 Lawrence Longley Best Article Award, American Political Science Association
Rector's Innovation Award for Outstanding Publications, Technical University of Munich
- 2015 Nominee, ProQuest Dissertation Award, University of Michigan

Publications

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- cond. accepted Betz, Timm and Leonhard Hummel (conditionally accepted). "Supplying Influence: Domestic Production Networks in Trade Politics." *International Organization*.
- 2025 Betz, Timm and Amy Pond (2025). "Governments as Borrowers and Regulators." *Review of International Organizations*, 20(1): 189-218.
- 2023 Betz, Timm and Amy Pond (2023). "Democratic Institutions and Regulatory Privileges for Government Debt." *European Journal of Political Economy*, 79: 102438.
- Betz, Timm, David Fortunato, and Diana Z. O'Brien (2023). "Do Women Make More Protectionist Trade Policy?" *American Political Science Review*, 117(4): 1522-1530.
- Betz, Timm and Amy Pond (2023). "Politically Connected Owners." *Comparative Political Studies*, 56(4): 561-595.
- 2021 Betz, Timm, Amy Pond, and Weiwen Yin (2021). "Investment Agreements and the Fragmentation of Firms across Countries." *Review of International Organizations*, 16(4): 755-791.
- Betz, Timm, David Fortunato, and Diana Z. O'Brien (2021). "Women's Descriptive Representation and Gendered Import Tax Discrimination." *American Political Science Review*, 115(1): 307-315.
- Betz, Timm, Scott J. Cook, and Florian M. Hollenbach (2021). "Bias from Network Misspecification under Spatial Dependence." *Political Analysis*, 29(2): 260-266.
- 2020 Betz, Timm, Scott J. Cook, and Florian M. Hollenbach (2020). "Spatial Interdependence and Instrumental Variable Models." *Political Science Research and Methods*, 8(4): 646-661.
- Betz, Timm (2020). "The Electoral Costs of Policy Commitments." *Political Science Research and Methods*, 8(1): 30-44.
- 2019 Betz, Timm and Amy Pond (2019). "Foreign Financing and the International Sources of Property Rights." *World Politics*, 71(3): 503-541.
- Betz, Timm (2019). "Tariff Evasion and Trade Policies." *International Studies Quarterly*, 63(2): 380-393.
- Betz, Timm and Amy Pond (2019). "The Absence of Consumer Interests in Trade Policy." *Journal of Politics*, 81(2): 585-600.
- 2018 Betz, Timm, Scott J. Cook, and Florian M. Hollenbach (2018). "On the Use and Abuse of Spatial Instruments." *Political Analysis*, 26(4): 474-479.
- Betz, Timm (2018). "Domestic Institutions, Trade Disputes, and the Monitoring and Enforcement of International Law." *International Interactions*, 44(4): 631-660.
- 2017 Betz, Timm (2017). "Trading Interests: Domestic Institutions, International Negotiations, and the Politics of Trade." *Journal of Politics*, 79(4): 1237-1252.

- 2016 Betz, Timm and Andrew M. Kerner (2016). “[Real Exchange Rate Overvaluation and WTO Dispute Initiation in Developing Countries](#).” *International Organization*, 70(4): 797-821.
- Betz, Timm and Andrew M. Kerner (2016). “[The Influence of Interest: Real US Interest Rates and Bilateral Investment Treaties](#).” *Review of International Organizations*, 11(4): 419-448.
- 2013 Betz, Timm (2013). “[Robust Estimation with Nonrandom Measurement Error and Weak Instruments](#).” *Political Analysis*, 23(1): 86-96.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2025 Betz, Timm and Amy Pond (2025). “[Liberalization](#).” In Jon Pevehouse and Leonard Seabrooke (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of International Political Economy*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press, Chapter 37.
- 2022 Betz, Timm and Lu Sun (2022). “[Preferences, Institutions, and Trade Wars](#).” In Wei Liang and Ka Zeng (eds.), *Research Handbook on Trade Wars*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing, Chapter 5, 82-III.
- 2016 Betz, Timm and Barbara Koremenos (2016). “[Monitoring Processes](#).” In Jacob Katz Cogan, Ian Hurd, and Ian Johnstone (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of International Organizations*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, Chapter 27, 581-602.
- 2013 Koremenos, Barbara and Timm Betz (2013). “[The Design of Dispute Settlement Procedures in International Agreements](#).” In Jeffrey L. Dunoff and Mark A. Pollack (eds.), *Interdisciplinary Perspectives on International Law and International Relations: The State of the Art*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press, Chapter 15, 371-393.

EDITOR-REVIEWED

- 2020 Betz, Timm (2020). “[Consumers and the Sources of U.S. Trade Openness](#).” *The Forum*, 17(4): 601-630.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2021 Betz, Timm, David Fortunato, and Diana Z. O’Brien (2021). “The Tax on Womanhood.” *Ms. Magazine*, Spring 2021 (print issue).
- 2020 Betz, Timm, David Fortunato, and Diana Z. O’Brien (2020). “The Pink Tax That’s Costing Women Billions of Dollars a Year—and What We Can Do About It.” *Ms. Magazine online*.

Presentations and Workshops

- 2025 Bureaucracies in International Relations, University of Southern California
- 2024 Contemporary Challenges to Trade Politics, University of Salzburg
- 2023 The Politics of Gendered Taxation, Akademie Tutzing
IR Speaker Series, University of California, San Diego
- 2022 Economics Seminar, University of Bayreuth
Sex and Taxes Speaker Series, LMU München
- 2021 Research Colloquium, LMU München
- 2020 IPE Speaker Series, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2018	CEPSI Speaker Series, Université de Montréal
2017	Global Trade Governance in Transition, University of Utah

Teaching

2025	Politics of International Trade (BA)
2024	Business and Politics (BA)
2024	Data Science for Politics (BA)
2024	International Relations Research Workshop (PhD)
2024	Quantitative Political Methodology (BA)
2023	Institutions, Technology, and the Global Economy (PhD)
2022	Introduction to Empirical Methods (BSc)
2022-2020	Quantitative Methods (MSc)
2021	Institutions, Technology, and the Global Economy (MSc)
2021	International Political Economy (PhD)
2020	Institutions (PhD)
2019-2018	Polimetrics (BSc)
2017	International Law and Cooperation (PhD)
2017-2015	Introduction to World Politics (BA)

Advising

in progress	Tian Chen (Co-Chair)
	Alma Velazquez (Member)
	Jonas Geus (Chair)
	Paul Binder (Chair)
	Leonhard Hummel (Chair)
	Søren Etzerodt (Chair)
	Hannah Loeffler (Member)
2023	Yewon Kwon (Member; Yonsei University)
2022	Felix Hagemester (Post-Doctoral Fellow; Data Scientist, Sueddeutsche Zeitung)
	Flavio Souza (Member; Consultant, Bain & Company)
2020	Weiwen Yin (Member; Post-Doctoral Fellow, Columbia University)
	Yoo Sun Jung (Member; Post-Doctoral Fellow, UC San Diego)

Editorial positions

2023–present	Member of the Editorial Board, Political Science Research & Methods
2021-2023	Associate Editor, Political Science Research & Methods
2020–2023	Member of the Editorial Board, Munich Papers in Political Economy

Service

2025	Distinguished Mentor Award Committee, APSA International Collaboration Section
2024	Chair, Search Committee International Relations, Washington University in St. Louis

	Rhodes Scholarship Endorsement Committee, Washington University in St. Louis
	Visions in Political Methodology, Committee for Best Poster Award
2023-present	Field Committee International Relations, Washington University in St. Louis
2023	Search Committee External Member, Professorship in Political Economy, University of Lüneburg
2022-2023	Advisory Board, Munich School of Politics and Public Policy, Technical University of Munich
	Member of the Senate, Munich School of Politics and Public Policy, Technical University of Munich
2022	Co-Organizer, IPE Conference of the Austrian, German, and Swiss Political Science Associations (with Tim Büthe, Tobias Rommel, and Amy Pond)
2021	Co-Chair, International Political Economy Division, APSA Annual Meeting
	Search Committee, Post-Doctoral Fellow Global Transformations, Technical University of Munich
2018	Search Committee, Assistant Professor Open Field, Texas A&M University
2016	Search Committee, Visiting Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University
2012	Graduate Student Admissions Committee, University of Michigan
various	Journal reviewer for <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>American Political Science Review</i> , <i>British Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>British Journal of Politics and International Relations</i> , <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> , <i>Economics & Politics</i> , <i>Electoral Studies</i> , <i>Financial Innovation</i> , <i>GeoJournal</i> , <i>Global Governance</i> , <i>International Interactions</i> , <i>International Organization</i> , <i>International Political Science Review</i> , <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> , <i>International Trade Journal</i> , <i>Journal of Common Market Studies</i> , <i>Journal of Contemporary European Studies</i> , <i>Journal of International Development</i> , <i>Journal of Legal Studies</i> , <i>Journal of Politics</i> , <i>Legislative Studies Quarterly</i> , <i>Local Government Studies</i> , <i>Political Analysis</i> , <i>Political Research Exchange</i> , <i>Political Science Research & Methods</i> , <i>Politics & Gender</i> , <i>Quarterly Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>Research & Politics</i> , <i>Review of Economic Design</i> , <i>Review of International Organizations</i> , <i>Review of International Political Economy</i> , <i>Studies in Comparative International Development</i> , <i>Young Journal of European Affairs</i> , <i>World Politics</i> , <i>World Trade Review</i>
various	Book manuscript reviewer for <i>Cambridge University Press</i> , <i>University of Chicago Press</i>
various	Grant reviewer for <i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft</i> , <i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i>