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**EMPLOYMENT**

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| 7/2019 - current | <b>Research Scientist</b><br>Laboratory of Fertility and Well-Being & Laboratory for Population Health, <i>Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research</i> |
| 5/2022 - current | <b>Lecturer</b><br>Department of Sociology, <i>University of Frankfurt</i>   |
| 8/2014-6/2019    | <b>Research Scientist</b><br>Research Group Fertility & Family, <i>Vienna Institute of Demography</i>  |

**EDUCATION**

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| 2014      | <b>Ph.D.</b> Sociology, <i>Yale University</i>                            |
| 2008      | <b>M.A.</b> Sociology, <i>Yale University</i>                             |
| 2006      | <b>'Diplom'/M.A.</b> , Political Sciences, <i>Free University Berlin</i>  |
| 2004/2005 | Exchange Student (Full Stipend FU Berlin), <i>University of Minnesota</i> |

**PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

**\*OA=Open Access, \*\* JIF= Clarivate 5-Year Journal Impact Factor (5 Year JIFs in 2022)**

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| 2023 | John, Benson and Natalie <b>Nitsche</b> (forthcoming): <i>Indirect Estimation of the Timing of First Union Dissolutions with Incomplete Marriage Histories. <u>Demography</u></i><br><br>*OA, ** JIF: <b>5.10</b>  |
| 2022 | John, Benson and Natalie <b>Nitsche</b> (online first): <i>Dynamics of Union Dissolution in sub-Saharan Africa. <u>Population and Development Review</u></i><br><br>*OA, **JIF: <b>7.68</b><br><br>Lee, D. Susie, Natalie <b>Nitsche</b> , and Kieron Barclay (online first): <i>From early life BMI to lifetime childlessness: Consistency across race/ethnicity in the NLSY79 Cohort. <u>Population Studies</u></i><br><br>*OA, **JIF: <b>3.07</b> |

Gabay-Egozi, Limor, Natalie **Nitsche**, and Lloyd Grieger (2022): *In Their Footsteps or Shadow? Gender Differences in Choosing a STEM Major as a Function of Sibling Configuration and Older Sibling's Gender and Math Ability*. Sex Roles 86 (1), 106-126.

\*OA, \*\*JIF: **4.50**

2021 **Nitsche**, Natalie, Anna Matysiak, Jan Van Bavel, and Daniele Vignoli (2021): *Educational Pairings and Fertility Across Europe: How Do the Low Educated Fare?* Comparative Population Studies 46, 533-554

\*OA, Impact Factor: **0.86**

Morwinsky, Saskia, Natalie **Nitsche**, and Enrique Acosta (2021): *COVID-19 fatality in Germany: Demographic determinants of variation in case-fatality rates across and within German federal states during the first and second waves*. Demographic Research 45, 1355-1372

\*OA, \*\*JIF: **2.41**

Kniffka, Maxi, Natalie **Nitsche**, Roland Rau, and Mine Kuehn (2021): *Stillbirths in Germany: On the Rise, but no Additional Increases During the first Covid-19 Lockdown*. International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics 155: 483-489

\*OA, \*\*JIF: **3.19**

Riffe, Tim; Acosta, A...; **Nitsche**, N...Zarulli, V. (2021): *COVerAGE-DB: a database of age-structured COVID-19 cases and deaths*. International Journal of Epidemiology 50 (2) 390-390f.

\*OA, \*\*JIF: **10.42**

**Nitsche**, Natalie and Hannah Brückner (2021): *Late, but not too Late? Postponement of First Birth among Highly Educated U.S. Women*. European Journal of Population 37 (2): 371-403

\*OA, \*\* JIF: **3.47**

2020 **Nitsche**, Natalie and Sarah Hayford (2020): *Preferences, Partners, and Parenthood (2020): Linking Early Fertility Desires, Marriage Timing, and Achieved Fertility*. Demography 57 (6): 1975-2001

\*OA, \*\* JIF: **5.10**

2018 **Nitsche**, Natalie, Anna Matysiak, Jan Van Bavel, and Daniele Vignoli (2018): *Partners' Educational Pairings and Fertility across Europe*. Demography 55 (4): 1195-1232

\*OA, \*\* JIF: **5.10**

**Nitsche**, Natalie and Daniela Grunow (2018). *Do Economic Resources Play a Role in Bargaining Childcare in Couples? Parental Investments in Case of Matching and Mismatching Gender Ideology in Germany*. European Societies 20 (5): 785-815.

**\*\*JIF: 4.18**

2016 **Nitsche**, Natalie and Daniela Grunow (2016). *Housework over the Course of Relationships: Gender Ideology, Resources, and the Division of Housework from a Growth Curve Perspective*. Advances in Life Course Research 29: 80-94

**\*OA,, \*\*JIF: 2.56**

2013 Van Bavel, Jan and Natalie **Nitsche** (2013). *The 'Ideal Age for Parenthood' and Second Birth Rates in Europe – The Role of Regional Age Norms*. European Sociological Review 29 (6): 1149-1161

**\*\*JIF: 4.69**

**Nitsche**, Natalie and Karl Ulrich Mayer (2013). *Subjective Perceptions of Employment Mobility: A Comparison of East and West Germany*. Comparative Sociology 12 (2): 184-210.

**Impact Factor: 0.42**

2010 Mayer, Karl-Ulrich, Daniela Grunow, and Natalie **Nitsche** (2010): *Is Occupational Flexibilization a Myth? How Stable Have Working Lives Been and as How Stable Are They Being Perceived?* Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie 62 (3): 369-402.

**\*\*JIF: 1.57**

## **PUBLICATIONS in EDITED VOLUMES and BOOK REVIEWS**

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2017 **Nitsche**, Natalie (2017): Book Review of: D. Mortelmans, K. Matthijs, E. Alofs and B. Segaert (eds.): *Changing Family Dynamics and Demographic Evolution: The Family Kaleidoscope*. European Journal of Population 33: 155-157

2016 Matysiak, Anna and Natalie **Nitsche** (2016). *Emerging Trends: Family Formation and Gender*. Emerging Trends in the Social and Behavioral Sciences: An Interdisciplinary, Searchable, and Linkable Resource.

2007 Mytze-Zühlke, Ralf and Natalie **Nitsche** (2007). *Institutions and Costs – Determinants of Firm Financed Training Activities in Four European Countries*. In: Lorenz Lassnigg, Helen Burzlaff, Maria A. Davia Rodriguez, Morten Lassen (eds.): Lifelong Learning. Building Bridges through Transitional Labour Markets. Amsterdam: Het Spinhuis. 320 p.

## MONOGRAPHTIES

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- 2014      Natalie **Nitsche** (2014): *Fertility, Education, and Couple Dynamics: Three Essays on Childbearing Behavior in the United States and Germany*. Dissertation. Yale University

## WORKING PAPERS

◊ = also published/to be published elsewhere

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- 2022      Jesús García-Gómez, Silvia Loi, and Natalie **Nitsche**: *Wan't but Won't: A Research Note on the Gap Between Fertility Desires and Intentions in Spain*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2022-33.
- Natalie **Nitsche**, Aiva Jasilioniene, Jessica Nisén, Peng Li, Maxi S. Kniffka, Jonas Schöley, Gunnar Andersson, Christos Bagavos, Ann Berrington, Ivan Čipin, Susana Clemente, Lars Dommermuth, Peter Fallesen, Dovile Galdauskaite, Dănuț-Vasile Jemna, Mathias Lerch, Cadhla McDonnell, Arno Muller, Karel Neels, Olga Pötzsch, Diego Ramiro, Bernhard Riederer, Saskia te Riele, Laura Szabó, Laurent Toulemon, Daniele Vignoli, Kryštof Zeman, Tina Žnidaršič: *Pandemic Babies? Fertility in the Aftermath of the First COVID-19 Wave Across European Regions*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2022-27
- Natalie **Nitsche** and D. Susie Lee: *Emotion and Fertility in Times of Disaster: Conceptualizing Fertility Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2022-20
- ◊John, Benson and Natalie **Nitsche**: *Marital Life Courses in sub-Saharan Africa: All Cause Union Dissolution, Its Timing, and Time Spent Outside Marriage*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2022-17
- ◊**Nitsche**, Natalie and Ansgar Hudde (2022): *Countries Embracing Maternal Employment Opened Schools Sooner after Covid-19 Lockdowns*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2022-08
- John, Benson, and Natalie **Nitsche** (2022): *Research Note on Estimation of the Timing of First Union Dissolution with Incomplete Marriage Histories*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2022-11
- 2021      ◊Lee, D. Susie, Natalie **Nitsche** and Kieron Barclay (2021): *From Early Life BMI to later life childlessness: consistency across race/ethnicity and mediation by union formation dynamics in the US NLSY79 cohort*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2021-011
- Savelieva, Kateryna, Natalie **Nitsche**, Venla Berg, Anneli Miettinen, Anna Rotkirch, Markus Jokela (2021): *Birth cohort effects in fertility ideals: Evidence from repeated cross-sectional surveys in Finland*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2021-10
- Benson John and Natalie **Nitsche**: *Cohort Changes and Drivers of Education-Specific Union Formation Patterns in Sub-Saharan Africa*. MPIDR working paper WP-2021-022

- 2020      **Nitsche**, Natalie, Alessandra Trimarchi, and Marika Jalovaara (2020): *The Power of Two: Second Birth Rate Differences between Couples with Homogamous and Heterogamous Educational Pairings*. MPIDR Working Paper WP-2020-029
- ♦Hudde, Ansgar and Natalie **Nitsche** (joint first authorship): *Countries Embracing Maternal Employment Have Opened Schools Sooner after Covid-19 Lockdowns*. OSF Preprint
- 2018      ♦**Nitsche**, Natalie and Sarah Hayford. *Preferences, Partners, and Parenthood: Linking Early Fertility Desires, Union Formation Timing, and Achieved Fertility*. VID Working Paper 10/2018
- ♦**Nitsche**, Natalie and Hannah Brueckner (2018). *High and Higher: Fertility of Black and White Women with College and Postgraduate Education in the United States*. VID Working Paper 7/2018
- 2017      **Nitsche**, Natalie (2017). *Partners' Educational Pairings, Work Division, and Fertility: Evidence from Germany*. VID Working Paper 19/2017
- 2015      ♦**Nitsche**, Natalie, Anna Matysiak, Jan Van Bavel, Daniele Vignoli (2015). *Partners' Educational Pairings and Fertility across Europe*. FamSoc Working Paper 38 (2015)

## **PAPERS under REVIEW**

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Savelieva, Kateryna, Natalie Nitsche, Venla Berg, Anneli Miettinen, Anna Rotkirch, Markus Jokela (2021): Birth cohort effects in fertility ideals: Evidence from repeated cross-sectional surveys in Finland

Jesús García-Gómez, Silvia Loi, and Natalie Nitsche: Wan't but Won't: A Research Note on the Gap Between Fertility Desires and Intentions in Spain

Natalie Nitsche, Aiva Jasilioniene, Jessica Nisén, Peng Li, Maxi S. Kniffka, Jonas Schöley....  
Tina Žnidaršič: Pandemic Babies? Fertility in the Aftermath of the First COVID-19 Wave Across European Regions

Nitsche, Natalie and Ansgar Hudde: Countries Embracing Maternal Employment Opened Schools Sooner after Covid-19 Lockdowns.

Maxi Kniffka, Roland Rau, Mine Kühn, Jonas Schöley, Natalie Nitsche: Steigende Totgeburtenraten in Deutschland: Der Einfluss von Strukturveränderungen.

Nitsche, Natalie, Alessandra Trimarchi, and Marika Jalovaara (2020): The Power of Two: Second Birth Rate Differences between Couples with Homogamous and Heterogamous Educational Pairings.

## **PAPERS in Progress**

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Benson John and Natalie Nitsche: *Cohort Changes and Drivers of Education-Specific Union Formation Patterns in Sub-Saharan Africa*.

Steffen Peters, Erich Striessnig, Maria Rita Testa, Alessandra Trimarchi, and Natalie Nitsche: *Too worried about climate change to have children? Or more worried about climate change once one is a parent? The relationship between environmental concern and fertility.*

Benson John, Adjiwano Visseho and Natalie Nitsche Re-Partnering and Fertility in the Global South: Regularities and Distinctions

Natalie Nitsche and D. Susie Lee: Emotion and Fertility in Times of Disaster: Conceptualizing Fertility Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond.

Natalie Nitsche, Daniela Grunow, and Ansgar Hudde: Couples Ideological Pairings and Housework Sharing

Natalie Nitsche: *Towards an Emotional Demography: Belonging, Emotions, and Fertility*

Natalie Nitsche, Jennifer Hirsch & Margaret Clarke: *Need to Belong to Someone? Fertility Desires and the Need to Belong*

Natalie **Nitsche**, Peng Li and Mikko Myrskylä: *Self-Rated Health around the Time of Birth*

## GRANTS and FELLOWSHIPS

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2021-	<b>Principal Investigator:</b> <i>Ideological Pairings in Couples: Rethinking the Relevance of Inner Drivers for Family Formation and Work Divisions.</i> Bilateral DACH Projekt at Austrian Science Fund (FWF) & German Research Foundation (DFG), PI Natalie Nitsche, Co-PI Daniela Grunow, <b>750.000 €</b>
2017-2019	<b>Principal Investigator:</b> <i>Early Fertility Preferences: The Hidden Drivers of Union Formation and Its Timing?</i> Lise-Meitner Programme, Österreichischer Wissenschaftsfond (FWF), <b>160.000 €</b>
2014-2016	<b>Principal Investigator:</b> <i>Couples and Childbearing: New Approaches to the Study of Fertility Outcomes and Family Formation Across Europe.</i> Marie Curie International Incoming Fellowship, FFP7, European Commission, <b>200.000 €</b>
2013	Travel Stipend to the Conference “Changing families and fertility choices” in Oslo, June 2013, <b>1000 €</b>
2011-2014	<b>Principal Investigator:</b> National Science Foundation (NSF) Dissertation Improvement Grant for Methods Training, <b>10.000 USD</b>
2010	Camp Grant, Yale Sociology Department, for participation at the Advanced Demographic Methods Seminar at Graduate Center der City University of New York (CUNY), <b>300 USD</b>
2009 + 2010	Yale University Conference Travel Fund Award, for travel cost to the Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting & conference at the Vienna Institute of Demography, <b>1.000 USD</b>
2008	Rockefeller Travel Award Social Science History Association (SSHA), <b>500 USD</b>
2004-05	Dean’s List University of Minnesota
2004-05	Free University Berlin/University of Minnesota: Stipend for Tuition, Room, Board and Books for Study at the University of Minnesota, <b>50.000 USD</b>

## SERVICE

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2020-2022	Deputy Head, Laboratory of Fertility and Well-Being, MPIDR
Since 2019	Scientific Advisory Board Member, <u>Comparative Population Studies</u> (CPoS)
2016-2018	Organisation Famfert Seminar Series, VID
2009-2010	Graduate Admissions Committee, Sociology Department, Yale University
2008-2009	Sussmann Dissertation Committee, Sociology Department, Yale University

## EDITORSHIPS, SCIENTIFIC PANELS and CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

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2022-2025	Chair, IUSSP Panel on COVID-19, Fertility and the Family (jointly with Joshua Wilde)
2021-2023	Guest Editor Special Issues <i>Pandemic Babies? The Covid-19 Pandemic and its Impact on Fertility and Family Dynamics</i> (with Mikko Myrskylä und Joshua Wilde) at <u>Population and Development Review</u> (PDR)
2021	Main-Initiator and organization of the <i>Pandemic Babies? The Covid-19 Pandemic and its Impact on Fertility and Family Dynamics</i> conference at MPIDR. Link to the conference website: <a href="https://www.demogr.mpg.de/en/news_events_6123/pandemic_babies_the_covid_19_pandemic_and_its_impact_on_fertility_and_family_dynamics_9210">https://www.demogr.mpg.de/en/news_events_6123/pandemic_babies_the_covid_19_pandemic_and_its_impact_on_fertility_and_family_dynamics_9210</a>
2016-2018	Managing Editor, Vienna Yearbook for Population Research

## REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

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Since 2012	Peer Reviewer for:  <i>Advances in Life Course Research, American Sociological Review, Demographic Research, Demography, European Journal of Population, European Sociological Review, Genus, Journal of Family Issues, Journal of Marriage and Family, Population Studies, Population Research and Policy Review, Population, Social Forces, European Societies, Zeitschrift für Familienforschung</i>  <i>National Science Center Poland, National Research Council Canada</i>
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## MEMBERSHIPS

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Since 2021	Deutscher Hochschulverband (DHV) International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)
Since 2008	ISA Research Committee for Social Stratification (RC28) European Association for Population Studies (EAPS)
Since 2007	American Sociological Association (ASA) Population Association of America (PAA)

## TEACHING

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Spring & Fall 2022	<i>Seminar: Gender Role attitudes and their role for family processes and gender inequalities</i> Department of Sociology	<b>Frankfurt University</b>
Fall 2020	<i>Forschungspraktikum Demographie</i> Department of Sociology and Demography MA Level	<b>Rostock University</b>
Spring 2014	<i>Sex and Gender in Society</i>	<b>Yale University</b>
Spring 2014	<i>Health of the Public</i> (Teaching Assistant für Nicholas Christakis)	
Fall 2013	<i>German for Reading Knowledge</i>	
Fall 2012	<i>Sex and Gender in Society</i> (Teaching Assistant for Rene Almeling)	
Fall 2010	<i>Methods of Inquiry</i> (Teaching Assistant for Julia Adams)	
Spring 2010	<i>Graduate Level Statistics II</i> (Teaching Assistant for Vida Maralani)	
Fall 2009	<i>Graduate Level Statistics I</i> (Teaching Assistant for Berkay Ozcan )	
Spring 2009	<i>Graduate Level Statistics II</i> (Teaching Assistant for Vida Maralani)	

## SUPERVISION

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Since 2020	Dissertation Supervision: Benson John
2021	MA Supervision: Maxi Kniffka



## PRESENTATIONS (selected and most recent)

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- 2022      Natalie Nitsche, Aiva Jasilioniene, Jessica Nisen, Peng Li, Jonas Schöley, Maxi Kniffka, 21 co-authors, and Mikko Myrskylä: *Pandemic Babies? The Fertility Response to the First Covid-19 Wave Across European Regions*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the PAA in April 2022
- Natalie Nitsche, Peng Li and Mikko Myrskylä: *Self-Rated Health around the Time of Birth Transitions across*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the PAA in April 2022
- 2021      Natalie Nitsche and D. Susie Lee: *Emotion and Fertility in Times of Disaster: Conceptualizing Fertility Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond*. Paper presented at the Pandemic Babies? Conference
- Natalie Nitsche, Aiva Jasilioniene, Jessica Nisen, Peng Li, Jonas Schöley, Maxi Kniffka, 21 co-authors, and Mikko Myrskylä,: *Pandemic Babies? The Fertility Response to the First Covid-19 Wave Across European Regions*. Paper presented at the Pandemic Babies? Conference
- Natalie Nitsche: *Emotion Cultures and Variation in Fertility*. Paper presented at the virtual Annual Meeting of the PAA in May 2021
- Natalie Nitsche and D. Susie Lee: *Emotion and Fertility in Times of Disaster: Conceptualizing Fertility Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond*. Paper presented at the virtual Annual Meeting of the PAA in May 2021
- D. Susie Lee, Natalie Nitsche and Kieron Barclay: *The Early-Adulthood BMI and Later-Life Childlessness Connection: Operating Through Health, Mental Health, or Union Formation Pathways?* Paper presented at the virtual Annual Meeting of the PAA in May 2021
- Ansgar Hudde and Natalie Nitsche: *The Relationship Between Gender Ideology and Education Around the World*. Paper presented at the virtual Annual Meeting of the PAA in May 2021
- 2019      Natalie Nitsche and Erich Striessnig: *Living Arrangements of Children Today and Fertility Rates Tomorrow: A Regional Analysis Across Europe*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the ASA, NYC August 2019
- Natalie Nitsche and Hannah Brueckner: *Late but not Too Late? Postponement of First Birth Among Highly Educated Women in the US*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the ASA, NYC August 2019
- Natalie Nitsche, Alessandra Trimarchi, and Marika Jalovaara: *Couples' Educational Pairings, Selection Into Parenthood, and Second Birth Progressions*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the ASA, NYC August 2019