

BGHS Annual Review 2024

Community and Activities



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BGHS Community Facts and Figures

Doctoral researchers at the BGHS
(winter term 2024/25)

**Admissions to doctoral
programme 2024**

**Successfully completed
doctorates in 2024**

	female	male	total
sociology	81	51	132
history	30	27	57
total	111	78	189

	female	male	total
sociology	17	4	21
history	1	2	3
total	18	6	24

	female	male	total
sociology	5	10	15
history	4	2	6
total	9	12	21

BGHS Community Facts and Figures

58% female, 35% international

16% scholarship holders, 58% academic staff, and 26% individually funded
researchers

268 alumni since 2008

50 professors: 20 in Department of History, 30 in Faculty of Sociology

BGHS Community Facts and Figures

Projects in the faculties with BGHS participation

Second funding phase of the Collective Research Center **Practices of Comparing**

First funding phase of Research Training Group **Experiencing Gender**

Leibniz ScienceCampus

Second funding phase of Research Training Group **World Politics**

First funding phase of Research Training Group **Cross-border Labour Markets**

... and many more excellent research projects in the Department of History and the Faculty of Sociology!

BGHS Community People

Doctoral Representatives

Angela Gutierrez (history)

Mariza Mathis (sociology)

Deputy Representatives:

N.N. (history)

Elisabeth Schmidt (sociology)

Directors

Ruth Ayaß (deputy director till September; director since October)

Frank Grüner (deputy director since October)

Klaus Weinhauer (director till September)

BGHS Office

Clara Buitrago (coordinator for internationalisation)

Nicole Käufler (student assistant)

Sabine Schäfer (executive manager)

BGHS Community People

20 successfully completed doctorates in chronological order

Thomas Abel (Sociology): „A macht ein Bild von B. Gebrauch, Interaktion und Praxis digitaler fotografischer Bildporträtherstellung“

Kerrin Langer (History): SCHIFFE ZÄHLEN!? Seestreitkräftevergleiche als politische und politisierte Praktiken in der maritimen Rüstungspolitik Großbritanniens, Frankreichs und des Deutschen Reichs, 1889-1922

Haikel Latiff (Sociology): Contested Islamic Masculinity in Southeast Asia - Intersectional Obscurity of male power

Johanna Paul (Sociology): Transnational Memory Activism for Memorialisation in Post-war Bosnia-Herzegovina: the Case of Prijedor's White Armband Day

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Sebastian Hülle (Sociology): Assessing and Improving Data Quality in Linked Panel Surveys with a Focus on Panel and Linkage Consent (Bias)

Aanor Roland (Sociology): Policy change in EU corporate tax policy since the financial crisis. Tracing and explaining the shift from negative to positive integration with the Multiple Streams Framework

Malin Wilckens (History): Schädelvergleiche und die Ordnung der Welt – Rassifizierung in der Wissenschaft (1780–1880)

Jan Gräber (History): Die Widersprüchlichkeit einer eingreifenden Geschichte – oder die Veränderung der Gegenwart

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Minh Ngoc Luong (Sociology): Politics of Care under Market Socialism: Welfare provision for migrant workers in Vietnam's global factories

Mirko Ruks (Sociology): Genetic and Social Influences on Educational Attainment

Paul Agoe (Sociology): The Significance of 'Traditional' Clothing and Dress to Children of Ghanaian Immigrants in Germany

Nicole Schwabe (History): Das Globale als Perspektive für den Geschichtsunterricht in den beiden deutschen Staaten (1949–1990)

Tamara Candela (Sociology): Revolution im Namen Gottes? Eine habitusanalytische Untersuchung autobiographischer Narrationen von progressiven religiösen Akteuren in Guatemala

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Emre Cakirdiken (Sociology): Political trends in transformation: the rise of populism and future of democracy

Marc Jacobsen (Sociology): Die Welt des Antisemitismus. Historisch-soziologische Reflexionen zum Antisemitismus in der Weltgesellschaft

Malte Wittmaack (History): Körper – Ordnungen – Weltverhältnisse. Historisch-somatologische Perspektiven auf den verglichenen Körper am Beispiel des Kulturkontaktes mit dem Osmanischen Reich im Spiegel deutschsprachiger Reiseberichte des 16.-18. Jahrhunderts

Felix Bathon (Sociology): Die Kleingruppe. Studien zu gering differenzierten Systemen

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Yueran Tian (Sociology): Reconfiguring Labor and Welfare under Market Socialism: The Politics of Care and Migrant Factory Workers in China

Malte Neuwinger (Sociology): The Realpolitik of Randomization Impact Evaluation, Economics, and the Twenty-First Century Experimenting Society

Katharina Hoß (History): Je, Philippe, acteur de ces presante cronicque. Sich schreiben im spätmittelalterlichen Metz. Eine Studie zur Selbstkonstruktion als Person am Beispiel der Mémoires des Philippe de Vigneulles

Marvin Bürmann (Sociology): Labor Market Mismatches – Origin, Context & Institutions

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Awards

BGHS alumna **Ngoc Minh Luong** won the H. Russell Bernard's Student Paper Prize of the Society for Anthropological Science (SAS) for her article *The Temporal Squeeze: Everyday Struggles of Factory Workers with the Times of Work, Welfare and Care*.

BGHS alumni **Julia Engelschalt** und **Aziz Mensah** received Dissertation Prizes of the University Society of Bielefeld University.

BGHS alumna **Jule Adriaans** was awarded two prizes: one for her dissertation and one as promising young researcher in comparative social sciences.

Christina Morina, member of the BGHS Executive Board won the prize for the German Non-Fiction Book of the Year 2024 for her work *Tausend Aufbrüche. Die Deutschen und ihre Demokratie seit den 1980er Jahren*.

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Awards

BGHS alumnus **Edvaldo Moita** won the Adam Podgórecki Prize 2024 of the Research Committee on Sociology of Law in the International Sociological Association (ISA).

BGHS Activities

Interviews with international BGHS members

From January to March, **Clara Buitrago** conducted 10 interviews with international BGHS members to gain insights in their perspectives on doing a PhD in Germany.

Sabine Schäfer is currently analysing the interviews. Results will be presented to the BGHS Executive Board in January 2025 and in the BGHS Working Paper Series in spring 2025.

BGHS Activities

Doctoral scholarships

In 2022, the BGHS was granted **4 scholarships for international doctoral researchers** in the Graduate School Scholarship Programme (GSSP) of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

2 candidates already started their doctorates in October 2023. **Juhi Rajwani** and **Rajasi Das** from India started in April 2024.

Since Clara Buitrago got a permanent position in the BGHS, we plan to apply again for funding in the GSSP in 2026.

BGHS Activities

Linie 4

2 lectures at vhs Bielefeld

Vanessa Neumann: Arbeiten im Geschichtslabor: Schule trifft auf Wissenschaft! (13.05.2024)

Simon Lütkevitte: Freundschaften im Sport: Wie Jungen und Mädchen im Sport unterschiedliche Freunde finden (03.06.2024)

BGHS Activities

Linie 4 – in preparation for 2025

3 lectures at vhs Bielefeld

Christina Zschieschang on 07.05.2025

Malin Houben on 21.05.2025

Stefan Roepke on 04.06.2025

BGHS Activities

Interdisciplinary Dialogue

On 15 April, the Interdisciplinary Dialogue on *Memories between Life Stories and History* took place. Filmmaker **Danielle Schwartz** (Tel Aviv) showed her award-winning short film *Mirror Image* and discussed it with **Ruth Ayaß** and **Klaus Weinhauer**. (see [BGHS Blog](#))

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Interdisciplinary Dialogue

Memories between Life Stories and History



Still from the film
"Mirror Image"
by Danielle Schwartz

Danielle Schwartz (Film Maker,
Tel Aviv) presenting the film
"Mirror Image"

Ruth Ayaß (Sociology)
Bettina Brandt (History)

Monday, 15 April
6.00 pm

X-B2-103

BGHS Activities

Guest researcher



On 7 May, **Sara Núñez Izquierdo** (University of Salamanca) held an event at the BGHS, where she commented on research projects by two BGHS doctoral researchers, **Jacob Krusche** and **Anastasia Serikova**, and presented her own research work in a lecture *New Politics, New Architecture. Spanish Architecture during the Francoism (1939-1975)*. (see [BGHS Blog](#))

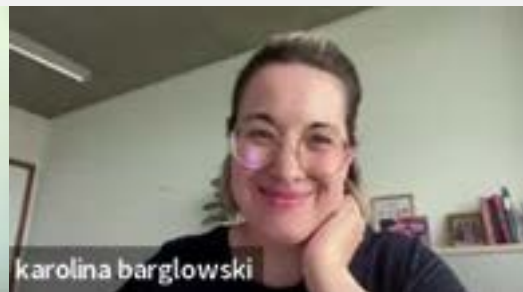


BGHS Activities

Academic Career

Online event *BGHS Alumni's Experiences on the Way to a Professorship*

On 13 May, the BGHS organised an online event with 4 BGHS alumni who are holding professorships. **Gleb Albert** (University of Luzern), **Karolina Barglowski** (University of Luxembourg), **Yaatsil Guevara** (University of Heidelberg) and **Mahshid Mayar** (University of Bonn) talked to **Clara Buitrago** about their experiences on their career paths. (see [BGHS Blog](#))



BGHS Activities

Internationalisation

Transatlantic Workshop Bielefeld/Notre Dame 2024

From 16 to 21 May 2024, 10 doctoral researchers of the Department of History at the University of Notre Dame/Indiana came to Bielefeld to discuss their dissertation projects with colleagues. The annual workshop is organised by the Department of History. Next year it will be in Notre Dame.

PhD Conference Lund/York/Bielefeld

From 10 to 11 June 2024, the PhD Conference Lund/York/Bielefeld took place in Lund. Doctoral researchers presented their research projects and had the chance to exchange their experiences.

BGHS Activities

Internationalisation

Exchange on doing a Blended Intensive Programme

On 26 June, the BGHS organised an online meeting for exchange on experiences with conducting a Blended Intensive Programme (BIP). Participants came mainly from the Department of History and the Faculty of Educational Science, among them Michaela Vogt, Rectorate Representative for International Networking and European University NEOLAiA.

BGHS Activities

Internationalisation

International PhD Workshop in Historical Studies, International Relations and Political Sciences

From 15 to 17 July, the Department of History in cooperation with the BGHS hosted an international PhD workshop with 23 doctoral researchers from the universities of Zaporizhzhia, Lviv, Tel Aviv and Bielefeld to discuss their doctoral projects and academic work in times of war and crisis.



BGHS Activities Workshop

Widerständige Subjektivierung

On 9 February, BGHS member Ragna Verhoeven organised a workshop on *Resistant Subjectivation* with researchers from Austria and Germany.



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Interuniversitärer Workshop
Widerständige Subjektivierung

9. Februar 2024 | 09:30-17:30 Uhr
Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology
Fakultät für Soziologie
Universität Bielefeld
Raum X-B2-103

organisiert von Ragna Verhoeven
Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology (BGHS)

Henrike Bloemen (Münster)
Michaela Bstiefer (Innsbruck)
Mareike Gebhardt (Münster)
Viktoria Hügel (Heidelberg/Wien)
Ragna Verhoeven (Bielefeld)
Anna Weithaler (Wien)

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BGHS Activities

In preparation for 2025

Transferable Skills workshop *Planning an application for research funding* with **Ulf Ortmann** and **Lena Gumpert** (13 and 20 January, 2-6 p.m.)

Alumni event (30 January, 2 p.m. in X-B2-103) with BGHS alumni working in science management at Bielefeld University: **Bastian Bredenkötter** (digital transformation), **Silvia Herb** (university library), **Marie Lemser** (coordination international study programmes) and **Ulf Ortmann** (Graduate Centre)

Podcast *Chances and Challenges – the BGHS Podcast*

Filmproject on PhD in cooperation with Filmhaus Bielefeld and MA study programme *Interdisziplinäre Medienwissenschaft*

Preparatory training programme *Bridging the Gap* for international masters' students who are interested in doing a PhD at Bielefeld University

BGHS Activities continually ...

Organisation of the **Welcome Days** and the **Research Retreat** for the new BGHS members

Organisation of Transferable Skills workshops and information meetings on services for doctoral researchers at Bielefeld University

Coordination of the curriculum and enquiry about suggestions of BGHS members for courses

Allocation of work places on the BGHS floor

Publication of the weekly **BGHS Newsletter**, the **BGHS Blog** and the **BGHS WPS**

Feedback on BGHS members' annual progress reports

Preparation of Transcripts of the Doctoral Programme

Support of third-party-funding proposals

Providing information, advice and support in all matters of the doctorate

BGHS Doctoral Representatives' Activities

Strengthening the BGHS Community

Sunday walk, Welcome Day get-together,
Exchange on teaching



Sunday walk



Exchange on teaching

BGHS Doctoral Representatives' Activities

Study group

The group organises writing sections, feedback on work progress, and other personal and academic exchanges.

Bundesverband Promovierende

Since April 2024, the BGHS doctoral representatives are members of the association of German doctoral representatives.

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying a page titled "996010 Study Group Peer Support in the Research Process (StGr) (SoSe 2024)". The page content includes:

- Inhalt, Kommentar:** A paragraph explaining the purpose of the study group: "Doing a PhD can be both rewarding and challenging. We develop skills, acquire, and produce knowledge but it is sometimes a lonely process. One might encounter different kinds of hardship along the way and not always have answers or solutions for them. With that in mind and based on our concerns, the doctoral representatives developed a BGHS Study/Research/Support Group." It further details the group's goals, meeting structure (three general meetings), and registration information.
- Lehrende:** A list of two lecturers: "Frau Angela Gutierrez" and "Frau Dr. Sabine Schöfer".
- Termine (Kalendersicht):** A table header with columns for "Rhythmus", "Tag", "Uhrzeit", "Format / Ort", and "Zeitraum". Below the header, there is a button labeled "Zeige vergangene Termine >>".
- Quicklinks:** A sidebar on the right with a dropdown arrow and links for "in Studienplan setzen", "Eragen oder Korrekturen!", "Termine", "Fachverantwortenden", "Teilnehmer*innen: &", and "E-Mailvertreter".



**Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!**