

Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Public Administration
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Education

Postdoctoral training, Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA, 2005-2008.

Program on Networked Governance
National Center for Digital Government

Doctor of Business Administration (Dr. oec.) – University of St. Gallen, Switzerland, April 2005

Dissertation: “The Influence of Multiplex Network Ties on the Adoption of eLearning Practices: A Social Network Analysis”

Committee: Guenter Mueller-Stewens (chair), Peter Gomez

Concentration: Information Management

Master in Business Administration, University of Kassel, Germany, May 1999

M.B.A. thesis: Incentive Reward Systems for Knowledge Management in Consulting Companies
Major: Information Management and Controlling

Bachelor in Business Administration. University of Kassel, Germany, May 1998

B.B.A. thesis: Activity-based Costing in Service Companies
Erasmus exchange student University of Leiden, Netherlands 1996-1997

Professional Degree in Business Administration (Betriebswirtin, BA), University of Cooperative Education (Berufsakademie Weserbergland), Hameln, Germany, 1994

General Business Administrator (Industriekauffrau, IHK) and pedagogical qualification to plan and conduct training of professional students within companies (Ausbildereignungsprüfung) awarded by Chamber of Industry and Commerce 1993

Faculty appointments

Assistant professor, August 2008-present

Department of Public Administration, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University.

Instructor, September 2007 - June 2008

Harvard Extension School, Master of Liberal Arts in Management, Cambridge MA,

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Publications

- Mergel, I. (forthcoming): The use of social media to dissolve knowledge silos in government, in: O'Leary, Rosemary, Soonhee Kim, and David M. Van Slyke, Editors: *The Future of Public Administration, Public Management and Public Service Around the World: The Minnowbrook Perspective*, Georgetown University Press.
- Mergel, I. and Hennig, M. (forthcoming): Market Analysis of "Social Network Analysis" Books, book chapter, in: Stegbauer/Haeussling: "Network research".
- Mergel, Ines A., Schweik, Charles M. and Fountain, Jane E., "The Transformational Effect of Web 2.0 Technologies on Government" (June, 01 2009). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1412796>
- Lazer, D., Mergel, I., and Friedman, A. (2009): Co-Citation of Prominent Social Network Articles in Sociology Journals: The Evolving Canon. *Connections*, 29(1): 43-64. ->Parts of this article were contributed to Heyman, K. (2006): "Making Connections", in: *SCIENCE*, 4 August 2006 VOL 313, pp. 604-606.
- Lazer, David, Mergel, Ines A., Ziniel, Curt, Esterling, Kevin M. and Neblo, Michael A., *Networks, Hierarchies, and Markets: Aggregating Collective Problem Solving in Social Systems* (June, 02 2009). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1413298>
- Mergel, I., Lazer, D. and Binz-Scharf, M. (2008): Lending a helping hand: Voluntary engagement in a network of professionals, *International Journal of Learning and Change (IJLC)*, Volume 3, Issue 2:5-22.
- Mergel, I. (2008): Visualizing informal relationships, in: VonKortzfleisch, H./Bohl, O.: *Liber amicorum, Festschrift Professor Udo Winand*.
- Mergel, I., Lazer, D., and Binz-Scharf, M. (2008): Lending a helping hand: Voluntary Engagement in Knowledge Sharing, Harvard University, Working Paper Number: RWP08-047.
- Binz-Scharf, Maria, Lazer, David and Mergel, Ines A., *Searching for Answers: Networks of Practice Among Public Administrators* (October 2, 2008). HKS Working Paper No. RWP08-046. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1314822>
- VonKortzfleisch, H. F. O., Mergel, I., Manouchehri, S., and Schaarschmidt, M. (2007): *Corporate Web 2.0 Applications: Motives, Organizational Embeddedness, and Creativity*, In: Gianfranco Walsh and Berthold Hass (Eds): *Web 2.0: Neue Perspektiven im E-Business* [trans.: *New perspectives in e-business*], book chapter, Berlin 2007
- Mergel, I. and Langenberg, T. (2007): Sustainability of Online Ties, in: Friemel, T. (Ed.): *Applications of Social Network Analysis*, UVK – Universitätsverlag Konstanz, Konstanz – Germany, pp. 51-71
- Mergel, I. (2007): From Computerization to Convergence: The Case of E-Government in Singapore, In: Mayer-Schoenberger, V./Lazer, D. (Eds.): *From E-Gov to I-Gov: E-Government in the 21st Century*, Boston, MIT Press
- Mergel, I., Huerta, T. R., and van Stelle, J. (2007): How do networkers network?, Harvard-Kennedy School of Government Working Paper #PNG07-005
- Mergel, I. and VonKortzfleisch, H. F. O. (2007): Integrating Stability and Dynamics of Organizational Capabilities Through Informal Knowledge Transfer, In: Mehdi Khosrowpour (Ed.): *Managing Worldwide Operations and Communications with Information Technology: 18th Information Resources Management Association International Conference - IRMA*, Vancouver, BC, Vancouver
- VonKortzfleisch, H. V., Mergel, I., and Proll, C. (2007): Potentials of Social Networks for Knowledge Management with Regard to the Development of Stable Competences and Dynamic Capabilities: Conceptualization and Case Study Results, in: *Proceedings of the 40th Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS-40)*, Hawaii, HI

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Mergel, I. and Hennig, M. (2007): Market Analysis of "Social Network Analysis" Books, Harvard-Kennedy School of Government Working Paper #PNG07-003a and #PNG07-003b

Kuhlenkamp, A., Manouchehri, S., Mergel, I., and Winand, U. (2006): Privatsphäre versus Erreichbarkeit bei der Nutzung von Social Software [trans.: Privacy vs. accessibility using social software], in: HMD - Praxis der Wirtschaftsinformatik, pp. 27-35

Mergel, I./Langenberg, T. (2006): What makes online network ties sustainable? A research design proposal to analyze online social networks, Harvard-Kennedy School of Government Working Paper #PNG06-002

Mergel, I. (2005): The influence of multiplex network ties on the adoption of eLearning practices – A social network analysis, dissertation thesis, No. 3026, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland

Mergel, I. (2004): What are we talking about? Multiplex network ties and the adoption of eLearning practices, conference: "Applications of Social Network Analysis", University of Zurich, October 14-15, 2004, Zurich, Switzerland

VonKortzfleisch, H. F. O./Mergel, I. (2002): Getting over "knowledge is power": Incentive systems for knowledge management in business consulting firms, in: White, D.: Knowledge Mapping & Management, IRM Press, Hershey, S. 244-253

Mergel, I. and Reimann, M. (2000): What is in it for us?, in: InsideKnowledge - The original knowledge management publication, Vol. 3, Issue 10, posted online June 1, 2000

Working papers

Lazer, D., Mergel, I., Ziniel, C., Esterling, K., Neblow, M.: Networks, hierarchies, and markets: Aggregating collective problem solving in social systems, Working paper.

Isett, K., Mergel, I., Mischen, P., Leroux, K., Rethemeyer, K.: Networks in Public Administration Scholarship, Working Paper, (Under review).

Mergel, I., Sanford, J., Schweik, C., Zhao, J.: Toward Open Public Administration Scholarship (Under review).

Bretschneider, S., Mergel, I.: Technology and Public Management Information Systems: Where we have been and where we are going, Working paper.

Mergel, I., Diesner, J., Meyer, M.: Netzwerkanalytischer Forschungsprozess und geplanter „mix and match“ computerbasierter Instrumente [trans.: The network analytic research process and a planned “mix and match” of computer-based instruments], Working paper.

Binz-Scharf, M. C., Lazer, D., Mergel, I.: Sharing knowledge across boundaries within the public sector, Working paper.

Lecy, J., Mergel, I., Schmitz, H. P.: Snowball sampling within academic bibliographies: A comparison of cognitive maps and compact citation networks, Working paper.

Reports

Longstaff, P., Mergel, I. and Armstrong, N. J. (2009), Workshop Report: Resilience in Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Natural Disasters (March 9, 2009). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1357525>

Mergel, I. and Armstrong, N. J. (2009): Institutional Resilience Networks in the Public Sector, in: Workshop Report: Resilience in Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Natural Disasters (March 9, 2009), pp. 26.-31. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1357525>

Mergel, I. (2009): The use of emerging social media applications as a resilience indicator, in: Workshop

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Report: Resilience in Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Natural Disasters (March 9, 2009). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1357525>

Postdoctoral Training in Advanced Statistical Methods

The Practice of Exponential family Random Graph (ERG or p^*) modeling: A Practical introduction to Exponential family Random Graph Modeling in statnet: an R-based environment for statistical analysis and simulation of social networks, course taught by Carter Butts, INSNA 2008, St. Pete Beach, FL (January 22-27, 2008)

SIENA Workshop (Simulation Investigation for Empirical Network Analysis), Longitudinal network analysis, taught Tom Snijders, organized and participated, Harvard University (September 2007)

Pajek workshop: Analysis of Large Networks, course taught by Batagelj at INSNA 2007, May 2007, Corfu (Greece)

Network Analysis Theory and Methodology, auditor PhD course taught by Prof. Steve Borgatti, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, USA (September-December 2006)

CASOS Summer Institute 2006: Computational Analysis of Social and Organizational Systems, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA (June 12-18, 2006)

Introduction to the Analysis of Network Data with UCInet and Netdraw (Quantitative static network analysis), Steve Borgatti/Martin Everett, INSNA 2006, Vancouver, Canada (May 25-26, 2006)

QSR NVivo/Nud*ist Workshop (Qualitative data analysis), Jennifer Patashnick, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, USA (March 17-18, 2006)

SIENA Workshop (Simulation Investigation for Empirical Network Analysis), Tom Snijders/Christian Steglich, University of Groningen, Netherlands (January 16-20, 2006)

Social Network Analysis: Theory and Methods, Stanley Wasserman/Bernice Pescosolido, ICPSR Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (Ann Arbor), co-sponsored by the Schuessler Institute, Bloomington, IN, (July 18-22, 2005)

Annual Graduate "WebShop" on Internet Research Methods, supported by the National Science Foundation and Department of Sociology at the University of Maryland, College Park, July 2004

Inter-University Consortium For Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (8 weeks), June-August 2003

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection: Social Network Analysis, Martin Everett, University of Essex (UK), 2002

POLNET Summer School on the Analysis of Political and Managerial Networks: Introduction to Social Network Analysis, UCInet and Visone, University of Konstanz (Germany), 2002

Teaching experience

Syracuse University

Spring term 2009: PPA730-7: Networked Governance

Fall term 2008: PPA 709-2 Public Management and Organizations

Fall term 2008: PPA730-12: Government 2.0

Harvard University

Spring term 2008: STM 504: Network Analysis for Managers and Analysts, Prof. David Lazer, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Teaching Fellow: taught two modules on social network analysis methodologies, research designs, data collection and analysis issues, applications and usage of

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UCInet software to analyze and visualize social network data to Master, Midcareer and PhD students

Spring term 2008: OBHR E 110 - Organizational Behavior, full term course, Harvard University Extension School, Master of Liberal Arts in Management

Spring term 2008: OBHR E 107 - Organizational and Career Networking for Managers, full term course, Harvard University Extension School, Master of Liberal Arts in Management

Fall term 2007: OBHR E 110 - Organizational Behavior, full term course, Harvard University Extension School, Master of Liberal Arts in Management

Tutorial on "Application of Social Network Analysis in Digital Government Research", May 22, 2007, dg.O 2007, together with Prof. David Lazer (Harvard U.), Prof. Noshir Contractor (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), initiated, organized and taught tutorial

Spring term 2007: STM 504: Network Analysis for Managers and Analysts, Prof. David Lazer, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Teaching Assistant: taught two modules on social network analysis methodologies, research designs, data collection and analysis issues, applications and usage of UCInet software to analyze and visualize social network data to Master, Midcareer and PhD students

Tutorial on "Application of Social Network Analysis in Digital Government Research", May 24, 2006, dg.O 2006, together with Prof. David Lazer (Harvard U.), Prof. Noshir Contractor (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Dr. Timothy Huerta (Texas Tech University), taught block module on social network analysis methodologies, data types, data analysis techniques, introduction to UCInet to faculty participants, graduate students and professionals

Spring term 2006: STM 504: Network Analysis for Managers and Analysts, Prof. David Lazer, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Teaching Assistant: taught two modules on social network analysis methodologies, research designs, data collection and analysis issues, applications and usage of UCInet software to analyze and visualize social network data to MPA students

Tutorial on "Application of Social Network Analysis in Digital Government Research", May 15, 2005, dg.O 2005 The National Conference on Digital Government Research, together with Prof. David Lazer (Harvard U.) and Prof. Noshir Contractor (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), taught block module on social network analysis methodologies, data types, data analysis techniques, introduction to UCInet (Software to analyze social network data) to faculty participants, Ph.D. students and professionals

Spring term 2003: Course assistant, STM 118: Knowledge management, Prof. Jane Fountain, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, compiled course material, designed syllabus, prepared course lectures, compiled content for PowerPoint presentations

Spring term 2003 (April 24, 2003): Invited lecture: Social Network Analysis and Network Drawing Tools, Prof. David Lazer, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Teaching Assistant: taught two modules on social network analysis methodologies, research designs, data collection and analysis issues, applications and usage of UCInet software to analyze and visualize social network data to MPA students University of Zurich, Switzerland

Summer term 2003: Seminar "Lifelong Learning", Web Coach, Institute of Informatics, University of Zurich, Switzerland: provided teaching content, supervised term papers University of Kassel, Germany

Summer term 1999: Design E-Learning course "Introduction to General Management", Chair Prof. Dr. Gerd-Michael Hellstern, University of Kassel (Germany), Masters in Business Economics

Summer term 1998: Teaching Assistant: Introduction to Computing, Prof. Udo Winand, University of Kassel

1996-1998: Design E-Learning courses "Quality Management" and "General Management" for IBM/Lotus GmbH (Germany), using Lotus LearningSpace as a show case

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Conference papers and presentations (2005-present)

Lazer, D./Mergel, I. (2009): Social network analysis in program evaluation: Measuring the impact of the State Health Leadership Initiative on the creation of Social Capital, Networks in Political Science Conference Harvard University, 11.-13. June 2009, Cambridge, MA.

Lecy, J./Mergel, I./Schmitz, H.P. (2009): Using Citation Analysis to Improve Public Administration Theory, Networks in Political Science Conference Harvard University, 11.-13. June 2009, Cambridge, MA.

Lecy, J./Mergel, I./Schmitz, H.P. (2009): Snowball sampling in citation networks, International Network of Social Network Analysts Conference (INSNA), 11.-14. March 2009, San Diego, CA.

Mergel, I./Lazer, D. (2008): Creating Social Capital through Human Capital? Inter-state knowledge sharing among State Health Officials, Minnowbrook III Conference 2008, 28.-29. September 2008, Syracuse University, NY

Fountain, J./Mergel, I./Schweik, C. (2008): The “transformational effect” of Web 2.0 technologies on government, Research Conference of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), 6.-8. November, 2008, Los Angeles (CA)

Mergel, I./Lazer, D. (2008): The dog that didn't bark: Explaining the absence of social capital among State health Officials, accepted for presentation at European Group of Organization Studies (EGOS) conference 2008, Amsterdam, July 8-9, 2008, The Netherlands

Mergel, I./Lazer, D. (2008): Knowledge sharing across states in the public health sector, accepted for presentation at Networks in Political Science (NIPS) conference, Harvard University, June 13-14, 2008, Cambridge, MA

Mergel, I./Lazer, D. (2008): Interorganizational Knowledge Integration in the Public Health Sector: How State Health Officials Share Knowledge, presented at INSNA International Sunbelt Social Network Conference, January 22-27, 2008, St. Petersburg, FL

Mergel, I./Lazer, D./Binz-Scharf, M. (2007): Going the Extra Mile: Voluntary Engagement in Knowledge Sharing in a Network of Professionals, presented at APPAM conference: What Else Shapes Public Policy Analysis and Management?, 8-10 November, 2007, Washington, DC

Binz-Scharf, M./Lazer, D./Mergel, I. (2007): Learning by Searching: Individual Knowledge Sourcing Strategies in a Network of Professionals, presented at APPAM conference: What Else Shapes Public Policy Analysis and Management?, 8-10 November, 2007, Washington, DC

Mergel, I./Lazer, D./Ziniel, C./Esterling, K./Neblo, M. (2007): Networks, Hierarchies, and Markets: Aggregating Problem Solving in Social Systems, presented at APPAM conference: What Else Shapes Public Policy Analysis and Management?, 8-10 November, 2007, Washington, DC

Mergel, I./VonKortzfleisch, H. F. O./Schaarschmidt, M./Manouchehri, S. (2007): Web 2.0 applications and Innovation Creation, 10th European Conference on Creativity and Innovation Eccix conference, 14-17 October 2007, Copenhagen, Denmark

Mergel, I. (2007): Introduction and Applications of Social Network Analysis, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Annual Research and Evaluation Conference, Princeton, NJ

Binz-Scharf, M./Lazer, D./Mergel, I. (2007): How People Search: Toward a Theory of Search Process Formation, Annual Conference Academy of Management, Philadelphia, PA

Mergel, I./Lazer, D./Binz-Scharf, M. (2007): Going the Extra Mile: Voluntary Engagement in Knowledge Sharing, 23rd European Group of Organization Studies EGOS Colloquium, Vienna, Austria

Binz-Scharf, M./Lazer, D./Mergel, I. (2007): Searching for Answers, 23rd European Group of Organization Studies EGOS Colloquium, Vienna, Austria

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Lazer, D./Mergel, I./Ziniel, C./Esterling, K./Neblo, M. (2007): Members of Congress Websites: Diffusion at the Tip of the Iceberg, 8th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research, Philadelphia, PA

Mergel, I./Lazer, D./Contractor, N. (2007): Method Tutorial: Application of Social Network Analysis in Digital Government Research, 8th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research, Philadelphia, PA

Mergel, I./VonKortzfleisch, H. F. O. (2007): Integrating Stability and Dynamics of Organizational Capabilities Through Informal Knowledge Transfer, 18th IRMA (Information Resource Management Association) International Conference, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Mergel, I./Binz-Scharf, M./Sargut, G./Lazer, D. (2007): Thick Descriptions of Networks: How can Qualitative Data Inform Social Network Analysis, International Sunbelt Social Network Conference, Corfu, Greece

Lazer, D./Mergel, I./Friedman, A. (2007): Co-citation of Prominent Social Network Articles in Sociology Journals: The Evolving Can, International Sunbelt Social Network Conference, Corfu, Greece

VonKortzfleisch, H.V./Mergel, I./Proll, C. (2007): Potentials of Social Networks for Knowledge Management with regard to the Development of Stable Competences and Dynamic Capabilities, HICCS conference, Hawaii

Binz-Scharf, M. C./Lazer, D./Mergel, I. (2006): Communities of Practice: Diffusion of Innovation Across Organizational Boundaries, paper presented at Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) 2006

conference, Madison, WI

Mergel, I./Langenberg, T. (2006): Online vs. Offline networking: What are the success factors of sustainable online social networks?, paper presented at ASNA - Applications of Social Network Analysis conference 2006, University of Zurich 5./6. October 2006, Zurich, Switzerland

Manouchehri, S./Mergel, I./Kuhlenkamp, A. (2006): Social Awareness als Basis moderne Unternehmenskommunikation, Workshop: "Social Software in der Wertschöpfung", MFG Fazit-Forschung, 18. July 2006, Stuttgart, Germany

Huerta, T./Mergel, I. (2006): Interorganizational service delivery networks in the public health sector, paper presented at the Academy Health 2006 Annual Research Meeting, June 25-27 2006, Seattle, WA

Mergel, I./Lazer, D./Contractor, N./Huerta, T. (2006): Application of Social Network Analysis in Digital Government Research, Tutorial, dg.O 2006, The National Conference on Digital Government Research, May 21.-24. 2006, San Diego, CA

Lazer, D./Esterling, K./Neblo, M./Fountain, J./Mergel, I./Ziniel, C. (2006): Connecting to Congress, paper presented at dg.O - The 7th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research, 21-25 May 2006, San Diego, CA

Mergel, I./Huerta, T./van Stelle, J. (2006): How do networkers network? Conferences as academic marketplaces, paper presented at 26th INSNA (International Conference for Social Network Analysis) conference, 24-30 April 2006, Vancouver, Canada

Mergel, I./VonKortzfleisch, H./Riempp, G./Smolnik, S. (2006): The role of distance in knowledge sharing, paper accepted for presentation at the European Group for Organizational Studies (EGOS), 22nd EGOS Colloquium: "The Organizing Society", 6-8 July 2006, Bergen, Norway

Mergel, I. (2006): Evaluation of the State Health Leadership Initiative: A Social Network Analysis, 03/14/2006, State Health Leadership Initiative (SHLI) Network Meeting State Health Officials, Washington, DC

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Mergel, I. (2005): Unlocking organizations: Detecting multiplex network ties in the spread of knowledge about innovative technologies, paper presented at the European Group for Organizational Studies (EGOS), 21st EGOS Colloquium, June 30-July 02 2005, Berlin, Germany

Mergel, I./Lazer, D./Contractor, N. (2005): Application of Social Network Analysis in Digital Government Research: Visualization Techniques for Social Networks, Tutorial, dg.O 2005, The National Conference on Digital Government Research, May 15-18 2005, Atlanta, GA

Lazer, D./Esterling, K./Fountain, J./Neblo, M./Mergel, I./Ziniel, C. (2005): Connecting to Congress” Project Highlights, presentation, dg.O 2005, The National Conference on Digital Government Research, May 15-18 2005, Atlanta, GA

Lazer, D./Binz-Scharf, M.-C./Mergel, I. (2005): Electronic Communication in a Geographically Dispersed Community of Forensic Scientists, poster presentation, dg.O 2005, The National Conference on Digital Government Research, May 15-18 2005, Atlanta, GA

Lazer, D./Esterling, K./Neblo, M./Mergel, I./Ziniel, C. (2005): Style Conscious: How Members of Congress Learn Ways to Communicate, presentation, dg.O 2005, The National Conference on Digital Government Research, May 15-18 2005, Atlanta, GA

Lazer, D./Esterling, K./Neblo, M./Mergel, I. (2005): How Congress is Connected: The Diffusion of Web Technologies among Congressional Offices, conference paper and presentation, MPSA Midwestern Political Science Conference, Annual Meeting 2005, April 07-10, 2005, Chicago, IL

Lazer, D./Esterling, K./Mergel, I. (2005): How Congress is Connected: The Diffusion of Web Technologies among Congressional Offices, conference paper, WPSA Western Political Science Association, 2005 Annual Meeting, March 17-19, 2005, Oakland, CA

Mergel, I. (2005): What are we Talking about? Multiplex Network Relationships in the Diffusion of Elearning Practices, conference paper, INSNA International Social Network Analysis Annual Conference, February 16-20, 2005, Redondo Beach, CA

Lazer, D./Esterling, K./Neblo, M./Mergel, I. (2005): Congressional Connections: The Diffusion of an Innovation among Members of Congress, conference paper, INSNA International Social Network Analysis Annual Conference, February 16-20, 2005, Redondo Beach, CA

Mergel, I./Binz-Scharf, M./Lazer, D. (2005): Going the Extra Mile: Engaging in Voluntary Knowledge Sharing in Communities of Practice, conference paper presented at INSNA International Social Network Analysis Annual Conference, February 16-20, 2005, Redondo Beach, CA

Binz-Scharf, M.-C./ Mergel, I./Lazer, D. (2005): Searching for answers: Tracing the paths of knowledge in a dispersed community, conference paper, INSNA International Social Network Analysis Annual Conference, February 16-20, 2005, Redondo Beach, CA

Currently funded research projects

Academic Network Grant 2007-2010

Principal Investigator: Workbook Social Network Analysis Research Process (Book project), Initiated and coordinated workgroup, designed and created content for workbook on social network analysis research process, conducted market analysis of existing social network analysis method books, granted by the German Research Foundation (DFG)

PARCC mini faculty grant 2009-2010

Collaborative Governance online

APSA Centennial Center fellowship 2009

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Grants, stipends, fellowships received

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Research grant: Evaluation of the State Health Leadership Initiative 2006-2008

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Postdoctoral Fellowship and Stipend, The Program on Networked Governance 2005-2008

Postdoctoral Fellowship and Stipend, National Center for Digital Government 2004-2005

Doctoral Fellowship and Stipend, National Center for Digital Government 2003-2004

Swiss National Science Foundation, Switzerland

Pre-doctoral fellowship: aimed at fostering young scientific talent 2002-2003

Several grants for participations in summer schools

Professional services

Review Activities

Public Administration Review

Sloan Management Review

Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management

Ad hoc reviewer for grant proposals

Event Organization Activities

SIENA workshop 2007, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

INSNA XXVI Sunbelt 2006, Member of Organizing Committee, Vancouver British Columbia, Canada.

Social Network Analysis Tutorial, dg.O, The National Conference on Digital Government Research (2005-2007)

Professional experience

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA 2005-2008

Research Director, Program on Networked Governance

Manage budget of \$1.5M project for research team coordination and coordinate projects across consortium of four universities

Receive several grants from federal and private funding agencies: National Science Foundation, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Harvard's Ash Institute for Democratic Governance and Innovation

Perform research involving social network analysis of voluntary engagement in cross-agency knowledge sharing activities and informal networking.

University of St. Gallen, Executive MBA Program, Switzerland 1999-2002

Project Manager and Content Designer; Internet portal StrategyLab.ch

Initiated and co-directed consulting project with Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt, Germany on knowledge management in banking sector

Co-organized international student competition, The St. Gallen Symposium (former ISC symposium). Served as jury member and reviewer of international student competition St. Gallen Wings of Excellence Award (1999-2002)

Served as contributing editor of Mergers & Acquisitions Review (2000-2002)

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Dr. Poppe, Umweltberatungsgesellschaft, Kassel, Germany 1995-1998

Operations Manager

Coordinated internal change activities and research budget scenarios for investors during start-up phase of new company branch (Worked full-time while pursuing pre-DBA degrees at University of Kassel, Germany)

Lotus/IBM, Munich, Germany (part-time) 1997-1998

Freelancer

Developed two LearningSpace show cases on Quality Management and Introduction to Economics
Presented products at international annual trade show CeBIT in Hannover, Germany

Aerzener Maschinenfabrik GmbH, Hameln, Germany 1991-1994

Project Manager

Introduced new automated time management system to replace manual time one: designed individual time recording plans, coordinated department-wide introduction and company-wide installation
Led ergonomic office space remodeling project; coordinated services of external consultants and bidding process of suppliers; supervised planning activities and implemented changes for over 1,000 employees