

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATION**

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Sociology, since 2004  
Dissertator in Sociology  
Master's degree, August 2006

University of Cologne, Department of Economics and Social Sciences, 2001-2004  
Graduate studies in Social Sciences, 2002-2004  
Undergraduate studies and 'Vordiplom' (BA) in Economics/Sociology, 2001-2002

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Visiting Lecturer, University of Zuerich, Switzerland, Sociological Institute, 2006-2007

Project Assistant, Wisconsin Center for Educational Research and Department of  
Educational Policy Analysis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2005-2008

Teaching Assistant, University of Cologne, Institute for Applied Social Science Research  
and Research Institute for Sociology, 2003-2004

Project Assistant, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne, 2001-2004

### **FELLOWSHIPS**

Dissertation Research Award, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of  
Wisconsin-Madison, 2008-2009

European Recovery Program Scholarship awarded by the German Federal Ministry of  
Economics and Technology and the German National Merit Foundation, 2007-2009

Fulbright Scholarship, 2004-2005

Scholarship offer of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), 2004-2005

Scholarship of the German National Merit Foundation ('Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes'), 2002-2006

## **OTHER COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS**

Conference Scholarship, Cornell University / DIW, 2007

Aage B. Sørensen Student Travel Award, RC28, 2006

Student Travel Grant, Center for German and European Studies, Madison, 2006

## **AFFILIATIONS**

Graduate Research Fellow at the Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison, since 2007

International Affiliate to the Interdisciplinary Training Program in Education Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, since 2005

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE**

Reviewer      European Sociological Review  
                    Sociology of Education

Member        American Sociological Association  
                    Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie  
                    International Sociological Association, RC 28

## **SHORT TERM VISITS**

German Institute of Economic Research DIW, Berlin, Germany, 2008

European University Institute, Florence, Italy, 2007 (Visitor to the European Forum 2006-2007 on "Assessing the Quality of Education and its Relationships with Inequality in European and Other Modern Societies")

## **LANGUAGES**

German, English, Spanish, French, Latin

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- “Parental wealth and children’s life chances. First evidence for West Germany”, 8<sup>th</sup> International Socio-Economic Panel User Conference (SOEP2008), Berlin, Germany, 2008
- “Postsecondary Educational Careers in the US. A Multinomial Transition Approach” (poster with Sara Goldrick-Rab), Meeting of the Research Committee on Stratification (RC28), Florence, Italy, 2008
- “Choosing Colleges and Changing Colleges. The Postsecondary Pathways of Urban Public School Students” (poster with Regina Deil-Amen and Sara Goldrick-Rab), Meeting of the Sociology of Education Association, Pacific Grove, 2008
- “Status Attainment and Wealth. Revisiting the achievement-ascription debate”, Meeting of the Research Committee on Stratification (RC28), Montreal, Canada, 2007
- “Does Changing Colleges Matter? The Equity Implications of Student Mobility” (with Sara Goldrick-Rab), Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, 2007
- “The intergenerational effects of wealth in comparative perspective”, Third International German Socio-Economic Panel Young Scholars Symposium, Delmenhorst, Germany, 2007
- “The institutional context of educational attainment”, Conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research: European Comparative Studies. Quality and Inequality in Education, Prague, Czech Republic, 2006
- “Intergenerational Educational Mobility in Comparative Perspective”, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, 2006
- “Intergenerational Educational Mobility in Comparative Perspective”, ISA World Congress of Sociology, Research Committee on Stratification (RC28), Durban, South Africa, 2006

## **INVITED TALKS**

- “First comparative results on intergenerational wealth effects”, German Institute of Economic Research DIW, Berlin, 2008

“The Role of Parental Wealth in the Status Attainment Process in the US”, German Institute of Economic Research DIW, Berlin (Prof. Gert G. Wagner), 2007

“Intergenerational Educational Mobility in Comparative Perspective”, University of Bamberg, Germany (Prof. Hans-Peter Blossfeld), 2007

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### *Articles*

Pfeffer, Fabian T. *forthcoming*. “Persistent inequality in educational attainment and its institutional context.” *European Sociological Review* 25(5)

### *Other*

“Wirtschaft und Politik. Soziale Marktwirtschaft im globalen Wettbewerb“ [Economy and Politics. Social Market Economy and Global Competition]. (with Jürgen Feick), book chapter in: “Grundwissen Politik” [Basics in Politics], Textbook for German high schools, Klett Verlag, ISBN 312053711X, 2007