

Prof. Dr. Michael Baumann
Curriculum Vitae

Present Position

Heinrich-Heine-University of Düsseldorf
Seniorprofessor of Sociology
Department of Social Sciences
D-40225 Düsseldorf

Email: baumann@hhu.de

Phone: +49(0)211-81 13123

<https://www.sozwiss.hhu.de/institut/abteilungen/soziologie/seniorprofessur>

Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS)

Founding Director 2017-2023

Konrad-Zuse-Str. 2a

44801 Bochum

Email: michael.baumann@cais-research.de

Tel.: +49 (0)234-95315000

<https://www.cais-research.de/team/michael-baumann/>

Research Specialisation

General Theory of Sociology

Rational Choice Theory

Social Epistemology

Dynamics of trust building

Academic Degrees

- 1970-76 Study of Sociology, Philosophy and Law, University of Frankfurt.
- 1976 Diploma in Sociology (with distinction). Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Frankfurt. Diploma thesis: Soziologie der wissenschaftlichen Rationalität.
- 1983 PhD in Sociology (summa cum laude). Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Frankfurt. Dissertation: Zweckrationalität und Strafrecht: Argumente für ein tatbezogenes Maßnahmerecht.
- 1993 Habilitation in Sociology. Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Frankfurt: Der Markt der Tugend. Recht und Moral in der liberalen Gesellschaft (published in German, English, Spanish and Chinese).

Grants

- 1973-76 Undergraduate scholarship from Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes.
- 1976-78 Phd scholarship from Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes.

Employment History

- 1971-73 Teacher in Adult Education, City of Frankfurt.
- 1976-78 Graduate Assistant, Faculty of Law, University of Frankfurt.
- 1978-83 Research Assistant, Faculty of Law, University of Frankfurt.
- 1983-84 Research Assistant in a project dealing with artificial intelligence: Interaktive Datenerhebung in der empirischen Sozialforschung, University of Frankfurt.
- 1984-97 Senior Lecturer for Sociology and Philosophy of Law, Faculty of Law, University of Mainz.
- 1984-97 Instructor for Ethics at the Centre for Teacher Education, State of Hessen.

- 1989 Guest Lecturer for Sociology of Law, University of Würzburg.
- 1993 Guest Professor for Theory and Sociology of Law, Faculty of Law, University of Frankfurt.
- 1997-2017 Full Professor of Sociology, Department of Social Sciences, University of Düsseldorf.
- Since 2017 Senior Professor of Sociology, Department of Social Sciences, University of Düsseldorf.
- 2017-23 Scientific Director Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS).
- 2023-24 Senior Advisor Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS).

Academic Offices

- 1999 Guest professor, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), Mexico City.
- 2002-15 Member of the Tampere Club, Finland.
- 2001-09 Visiting Research Fellow Research School of Social Sciences (RSSS), Australian National University, Canberra.
- 2006 Visiting Professor Dept. of Politics, New York University.
- 2009/2012 Senior Research Fellow Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg Greifswald.
- 2016 Research Visit Institute for Futures Studies, Stockholm.
- 2014-19 Deputy Speaker NRW Fortschrittsskolleg Online-Partizipation.
- 2016-19 Director Düsseldorf Institute for Internet and Democracy (DIID).

University Administration

- 1999-2016 Chairman, Program of Study.
- 2002-06 Member, Board of the Faculty.
- 2003-15 Member, University Senate.
- 2010-15 Chairman, University Senate.

Academic Consulting

- 2000-15 Referee, Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes.
- 2002-10 Advisory Board, Center for Higher Education Development.
- 2002-15 Advisory Board, Tampere Club, Finland.
- 2018-23 Advisory Board Forschungsverbund Pragmatische Lösungen für die Implementation von Maßnahmen zur Stressprävention in Kleinst- und Kleinbetriebe (Pragmatikk).
- 2019-21 Advisory Board Forschungsverbund NRW Digitale Gesellschaft.
- Since 2019 Advisory Board Institut für Glücksspiel und Gesellschaft, Bochum .

Journal Responsibilities

- Since 1979 Founder and Joint Editor, Analyse & Kritik. Journal of Philosophy and Social Theory:
- 2000-04 Associate Editor, Associations. Journal for Legal and Social Theory.
- 2002-14 Editorial Board, Erwägen, Wissen, Ethik.