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Curriculum Vitae

Institute of Sociological Research
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2021-present Faculty Affiliate, Postdoctoral Researcher, Institute of Sociological Research, Department of Sociology, University of Geneva
- 2021-2023 Faculty Affiliate, Senior Research Fellow, Department of African Studies, University of Vienna
- 2018-2019 Visiting Doctoral Researcher, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights, University of Vienna
- 2015-2019 Doctoral Researcher, Center for Children's Rights Studies, University of Geneva

EDUCATION

- Ph.D 2021. Sociology, University of Geneva
Dissertation title: Les enfants travailleurs/euses du Sénégal : entre droit international et conceptions locales de l'enfance (Working Children in Senegal: between Children's Rights and Local Conceptions of Childhood)
Committee: Prof. Sandro Cattacin (Chair), Dr. Yvan Droz (Co-Chair), Prof. Karl Hanson, Ass. Prof. Daniel Stoecklin, Dr. Mélanie Jacquemin
- M.A. 2014. Anthropology, University of Neuchâtel
Thesis title: Radiologies camerounaises : approche anthropotechnologique du travail dans deux services d'imagerie médicale au Cameroun (Cameroonian Radiologies: an Anthropotechnological Approach to Work in Two Radiology Departments in Cameroonian Public Hospitals)
- B.A. 2012. Social Anthropology, University of Fribourg

RESEARCH AREAS

Sociology of Science
Sociology of Childhood
Migration Studies
African Studies

Social Anthropology
Medical Anthropology
Anthropology of Law

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2022 **Mabillard, Nicolas**. “Agencéité des enfants et esthétique de la honte à Dakar : Comment enquêter auprès des enfants en apprentissage ? (Children’s Agency and the Moral Aesthetics of Shame in Dakar: How to Do Research with Children in Vocational Training?)”, *Ethnographiques.org* 43: June 2022. Published online first, <https://www.ethnographiques.org/2022/Mabillard>.
- 2018 Van Daalen, Edward and **Mabillard, Nicolas**. “Human Rights in Translation: Bolivia’s Law 548, Working Children’s Movements, and the Global Child Labour Regime.” *The International Journal of Human Rights*. Published online first, www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/13642987.2018.1541890?scroll=top&needAccess=true.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2019 **Mabillard, Nicolas** and Jacquemin, Mélanie. “Trajectoires éducatives, travail et droits de l’Enfant. Paroles d’enfants : premiers retours de terrains croisés (Dakar et Ziguinchor) (Educational Trajectories, Children’s Work and Children’s Rights. Children’s Voices: Preliminary Results from Two Intersecting Field Researches).” In *la Parole de l’Enfant au bénéfice de ses droits*, edited by Denéchère, Yves . Liège, Belgium: Presses universitaires de Liège.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Available upon request

EXTERNAL GRANTS [\$190,069 in awarded research grants as PI]

- 2023-2024 Postdoc Mobility Program (Ethnology), Swiss National Science Foundation (**PI**). “West African Migrant Children in between Two Worlds. A Qualitative Sociological Study of the Family Educational Strategies and Identity Mobilizations of Children of West African Migrants Residing in the United States.” (\$92,354).
- 2021-2023 Early Postdoc Mobility Program (Ethnology), Swiss National Science Foundation (**PI**). “West African Migrant Children in between Two Worlds. A Qualitative Sociological Study of the Family Educational Strategies and Identity Mobilizations of Children of West African Migrants Residing in Europe.” (\$97,715).

PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 **Mabillard, Nicolas**. “From UNICEF’s Pockets to the Hands of Koranic Masters. An Ethnographical Gaze at the Senegalese State’s ‘Removal of

- Children from the Streets' Campaign." (Des poches de l'UNICEF aux mains des maîtres coraniques. Ethnographie de la politique sénégalaise de 'retrait des enfants des rues'). Presented at the days of reflection seminar in honor of the work of Prof. Bernard Schlemmer, Knowledges, work and development (virtual presentation), at the University of Paris Cité, France.
- 2022 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "CHILDREN OF WEST AFRICAN MIGRANT PARENTS BETWEEN TWO WORLDS: A Qualitative Sociological Study of Family Educational Strategies and Identity Mobilisations of Children of West African Migrants Living in Europe." Presented at the Mobile Cultures and Societies: Interdisciplinary Studies on Transnational Formations research platform's mobile lectures serie (virtual presentation) at the University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2021 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "Senegalese Childhoods in-between two Worlds: Preliminary Results and Discussion." Presented at the Afrika-Kolloquium seminar series of the Department of African Studies at the University of Vienna, Austria
- 2021 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "Savoir écouter la bonne honte. La parole des enfants dans les entretiens qualitatifs au Sénégal (Knowing how to Listen to the 'Good Shame'. Children's Voices in Qualitative Interviews in Senegal)." Presented at the Researching with Children and Adolescents: Field Researches, Tools and Ethics writing workshop at the University of Aix Marseille, France.
- 2018 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "An Inquiry into a Major Organization that 'Translates' Concepts of Working Children's Rights in Urban Senegal." Presented at the Afrika-Kolloquium seminar series of the Department of African Studies at the University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2017 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "Traductions de concepts de droits de l'Enfant et socialisations hybrides des enfants travailleurs dans deux villes sénégalaises (Translations of Children's Rights Concepts and Working Children Hybrid Socializations in two Senegalese Cities)." Presented at the 7th European Conference on African Studies (ECAS 2017) at the University of Basel, Switzerland.
- 2017 **Mabillard, Nicolas** and Van Daalen, Edward. "EXPERIENCES FROM THE FIELD: CHALLENGES & LESSONS LEARNED." Presented at the Human Rights and Development Conference Days 2017 at the University of Antwerp, Belgium.
- 2017 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "Conceptualising Working Children's Rights." Presented at the Conceptualizing Children and Youth Conference at the Brock University, Canada.
- 2017 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** "Enfants travailleurs : de quels droits parlent-ils ? Terains croisés au Sénégal (Working Children: Which Rights are They Talking About? Intersected Field Researches in Senegal)." Presented at the Parole(s) des enfants et droits des enfants : XX^e-XXI^e siècles (Children's Voice(s) and Children's Rights: 20th-21st Centuries) at the University of Angers, France.

- 2015 **Mabillard, Nicolas.** “Les droits des enfants travailleurs dans des ateliers et au sein du Mouvement Africain des Enfants et Jeunes Travailleurs à Dakar (Working Children’s Rights in Informal Workshops and in the African Movement for Working Children and Youth in Dakar).” Presented at the Symposium on the Child within the Plan for an Emerging Senegal in Dakar, Senegal.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ORGANIZED

- 2019 **Mabillard, Nicolas,** Jacquemin, Mélanie and Hejoaka Fabienne. “Enquêter sur et avec des enfants en SHS (<https://calenda.org/622973>) (Researching on and with Children in Social Sciences and Humanities).” for the TSOFI seminar series at the University of Aix Marseille, France.
- 2017 **Mabillard, Nicolas,** Van Daalen, Edward. “Children’s Rights Research Symposium.” for the Center for Children’s Rights Studies at the University of Geneva, Switzerland.

INVITED LECTURES

- 2022 “Current Research Trends and Concepts in African Studies (Top 10 Themes in African Studies).” Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2020-present “Anthropologie des projets de développement en Afrique (the Anthropology of Development Projects in Africa).” Graduate Institute Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2019-2020 “Human Rights of Children and Young People.” Master of Arts in Human Rights, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights, University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2015-present “Living Rights in Translation.” Interdisciplinary Master in Children’s Rights and Master of Advanced Studies in Children’s Rights (MCR), Center for Children’s Rights Studies, University of Geneva, Switzerland.

EDITORIAL WORK

- 2022-present Reviewer, *Stichproben: Vienna Journal of African Studies*, Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- 2020-present Member and contributor, Children and Work Network (www.children-andwork.net).
- 2017 Van Daalen, Edward and **Mabillard, Nicolas.** “A Tale of Two Conferences: Exploring the Politics of Global Child Labour Policies.”

OpenDemocracy. Published online: <https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/beyond-trafficking-and-slavery/tale-of-two-conferences-exploring-politics-of-glob/>.

SERVICE

- 2021-present Member and Contributor, Steering Committee of the Department of African Studies and Afrika-Kolloquien Research Seminar Series, Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2021 Co-Director, with Prof. Dr. Sandro Cattacin, Master's Thesis, Master of Standardization, Social Regulation and Sustainable Development, Department of Sociology, University of Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2019-present Associated Member, Mobile Cultures and Societies: Interdisciplinary Studies on Transnational Formations research platform, University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2015-2019 Teaching and Undergraduate Students' Monitoring, Interdisciplinary Master in Children's Rights and Interdisciplinary Certificate in Children's Rights, Center for Children's Rights Studies, University of Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2015-2019 Member, Internal Research Seminar, Center for Children's Rights Studies, University of Geneva, Switzerland.