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Education

- 09/2016–
09/2020
(*expected*) **MPhil/PhD in Social Research Methods**
London School of Economics and Political Science
- Topic: Scaling Latent Ideology from Social Networks and Text as Data
 - Advisors: Prof. Kenneth Benoit (primary) and Dr. Benjamin Lauderdale (secondary)
- 09/2015–
09/2016 **MSc in Social Research Methods**
London School of Economics and Political Science
- Specialisation in advanced quantitative methods for social science research
 - Passed with Distinction
- 09/2008–
01/2015 **BA in Social Sciences**
University of Zurich
- Political Science (Major) with Computational Linguistics and Islamic World (Minors)
 - Final mark: 5.2/6.0
- 07/2014–
08/2014 **Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- Attended classes in “Advanced Bayesian Models” and “Network Analysis: Advanced Topics”
- 07/2011–
08/2011 **Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis**
University of Essex, Colchester
- Attended classes in “Multilevel Modeling” and “Bayesian Statistics”

Employment History

- 01/2017–
(*ongoing*) **Research Assistant**
Department of Political Economy, King’s College London (Dr. Florian Foos and Prof. Peter John)
- Advanced cleaning and merging of data from field experiments
 - Analysis and presentation of experimental data
- 03/2017–
06/2017 **Research Assistant**
Department of Government, London School of Economics and Political Science (Dr. Livia Schubiger)
- Full implementation and monitoring of a survey experiment on Amazon MechanicalTurk
- 02/2013–
07/2015 **Research and Teaching Assistant**
Chair of Political Methodology, Department of Political Science, University of Zurich (Prof. Dr. Marco Steenbergen and Prof. Dr. Dominik Hangartner)
- Devised as well as presented interactive teaching material for applied statistics courses, including material for a massive open online course (MOOC)
 - Assisted in various research projects at different levels of the research process, including the implementation of a conjoint design in Qualtrics before it became officially supported

- 01/2015–
07/2015 **Research Assistant**
ETH Zurich and University of Zurich joint project “Mining and Social Protest in Latin America”
(Dr. Simon Bornschier, Dr. Livia Schubiger, Dr. Manuel Vogt)
- Designed and implemented an automatic content analysis approach to identify and retrieve news articles relevant to the project
- 03/2013–
08/2014 **Research Assistant**
Chair of Policy Analysis, Department of Political Science, University of Zurich (Dr. Bruno Wüest)
- Implemented a solution to continuously download Twitter data using R and Python
- 10/2010–
12/2010 **Intern, Technical Analyst**
Perspectives GmbH, Zurich (Climate Policy Consultancy; Dr. Axel Michaelowa)
- Evaluated development assistance projects for their effect on climate change
- 01/2008–
07/2008 **Intern**
SVS/BirdLife Switzerland, Zurich (Nature Conservation NGO)
- Assisted in day-to-day administration and smaller research and publication projects

Teaching Activities

- 01/2018–
(ongoing) **Graduate Teaching Assistant for Quantitative Text Analysis (MSc level)**
Department of Methodology, London School of Economics (Prof. Kenneth Benoit and Dr. Pablo Barberá)
- Preparation and presentation of computer class material for applied text analysis in R
- 09/2016–
12/2016 **Graduate Teaching Assistant for Intermediate Quantitative Analysis (MSc level)**
Department of Methodology, London School of Economics (Prof. Jonathan Jackson)
- Presentation of computer classes in Stata
- 09/2016–
12/2016 **Graduate Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Quantitative Analysis (MSc level)**
Department of Methodology, London School of Economics (Dr. Benjamin Lauderdale)
- Presentation of computer classes in SPSS and Stata
- 09/2014–
12/2014 **Teaching assistant for Applied Methods in Political Science (MA level)**
Department of Political Science, University of Zurich (Prof. Dr. Marco Steenbergen)
- Preparation and presentation of class material for an advanced applied statistics course in R
- 2012,
2011,
2010 **Teaching assistant for Introduction to Political Science Methods (BA level)**
Department of Political Science, University of Zurich (Dr. Nathalie Giger)
- Support of the lecture in introductory research design and methods
- 2011,
2010 **Teaching assistant for Applied Methods in Political Science (BA level)**
Department of Political Science, University of Zurich (Prof. Dr. Thomas Gautschi)
- Preparation and presentation of an applied introduction to Stata

Prizes, Awards, and Fellowships

09/2016–	LSE PhD Studentship 2016/17
09/2020	London School of Economics and Political Science
11/2016	Prize for the best dissertation in the MSc Social Research Methods
	Department of Methodology, London School of Economics and Political Science
11/2016	Prize for the best overall grade in the MSc Social Research Methods
	Department of Methodology, London School of Economics and Political Science

Personal Skills

Computer Skills

R	Comprehensive knowledge and broad experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Broad experience in using R to carry out various data processing and cleaning tasks
Python	Good knowledge and relevant experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good knowledge of using Python for scripting and basic knowledge of writing complex general-purpose software in Python
Stata	Working knowledge and past experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working knowledge of common data cleaning and modeling commands
PostgreSQL	Good knowledge and relevant experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good knowledge of using standard SQL syntax to define, populate and manipulate large tables of data

Languages

German	Native
English	Fluent (C2)
French	Intermediate (B2)
Swedish	Beginner (A1)