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Research interests

democracy and autocracy; conflict; human rights; political economy; comparative politics; political methodology; inequality and redistribution; data collection; data visualization.

Positions

Researcher, Our World in Data, 04/2021 –
Project Lead, Global Change Data Lab, 09/2021 –
Oxford Martin Associate, Oxford Martin Programme on Global Development,
University of Oxford, 09/2021 –

Education

University of Chicago

Ph.D., Political Science, 2021

Fields: Comparative Politics and Political Methodology

Dissertation: “Where Ideology Matters for Market Intervention and Redistribution:
Evidence from Global Data”

Committee: Michael Albertus (chair), James Robinson, Dan Slater, Susan Stokes

M.A., Political Science, 2017

Cornell University

Graduate Exchange Student, Political Science, 2013-2014

Heidelberg University

M.A., Political Science (Major) and Economics (Minor), 2015

B.A., Political Science (Major) and Economics (Minor), 2011

Research papers

“Identifying Ideologues: A Global Dataset on Political Leaders, 1945-2020” *accepted at the British Journal of Political Science.*

“Where Ideology Matters: Evidence from a Global Analysis of Market Intervention”
under review.

“Coups and their Leaders: A New Comprehensive Dataset, 1950-2020”
(with Tanja Eschenauer-Engler) *under review.*

“Ideologues and Redistribution: Social Service Provision in Democracies and Dictatorships”

Non-peer-reviewed publication

Deuter, Jan, Peter Hachemer, **Bastian Herre**, Natalie Hoffmann, Laura Schelenz, Christoph Trinn, Thomas Wencker (eds.). 2012. Conflict Barometer 2011. Heidelberg.

Fellowships, grants, and awards

Research and Innovation Fund 2020-2021 (\$9,600), 2019-2020 (\$9,600), 2018-2019 (\$5,000)
Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts

Bradley Fellow PhD Dissertation Award 2020-2021 (\$5,000)
Stigler Center for the Study of the Economy and State

Doctoral Research Innovation Fund 2020-2021 (\$5,000)
Division of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago

Humane Studies Fellowship 2020-2021 (\$4,000), 2019-2020 (\$3,000)
Institute for Humane Studies

Lloyd and Susanne Rudolph Field Research Award 2020-2021 (\$3,000)
Center for International Social Science Research

Bienen Summer Research Award 2020 (\$1,800)
Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

Mellon Dissertation Research Travel Fellowship 2018-2019 (\$5,000)
Center for Latin American Studies, University of Chicago

Grodzins Prize Lectureship for ‘Our Political World in Data’ 2018-2019 (\$5,000)
Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

Henry Bienen Student Summer Research Fund 2018-2019 (\$2,500)
Division of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago

Graduate Fellowship 2015-2021
Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

Additional research experience

Calibrator, Bertelsmann Transformation Index, Spring 2015, Winter 2014, Spring 2013

Heidelberg University:

Research Assistant for Aurel Croissant, Winter 2014, 2011 – 2013

Research Assistant for Stefanie Walter, Summer 2011, Summer 2010

Heidelberg Institute for International Conflict Research:

Researcher, Working Group “Conflicts in the Middle East and Maghreb”, 2010 – 2012

Head researcher, Working Group “Conflicts in the Middle East and Maghreb”, 2011

Research Intern, Institute for Applied Economic Research, 2/2011 – 3/2011

Research Intern, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt, 8/2010 – 9/2010

Teaching experience

Instructor:

Our Political World in Data, Heidelberg University, Summer 2020

Our Political World in Data, University of Chicago, Winter 2019

B.A. Thesis Seminar in Political Science, University of Chicago, Spring 2017 – Spring 2018

Introduction to Comparative Politics, Heidelberg University, Summer 2015

Teaching assistant:

Linear Models, for John Mark Hansen, Winter 2019

Introduction to Comparative Politics, for Michael Albertus, Spring 2018

Political Economy of Development, for Chris Blattman, Spring 2017

Economic and Social Statistics, for Ruth Beckmann, Summer 2011, 2010

Introduction to Comparative Politics, for Aurel Croissant, Winter 2010

Presentations Panel Organizer (O)

Conferences:

Council for European Studies: 2021

International Conference on Public Policy: 2021

International Political Science Association: 2021

Swiss Political Science Association: 2021

Democracy and Elections/Comparative Politics, University of Manchester: 2020

European Consortium for Political Research: 2020(O), 2021

American Political Science Association: 2019(O)

Midwest Political Science Association: 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016

Comparative Research on Political Elites, Hertie School: 2019

Workshops:

International and Comparative Political Economy, University of Cologne: 2020

Conflict Dynamics, University of Oxford: 2020

International Politics, University of Chicago: 2020

Institute of Political Science Colloquium, Heidelberg University: 2020

Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Chicago: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017

Seminars:

Political Regimes and the Economy, Technical University of Munich: 2020, 2021

Departmental service

University of Chicago:

Comparative Politics hiring search committee member, Fall 2017

Mentor for first-year Political Science Ph.D. students, 2016-2018

Heidelberg University:

Student council member, 2008 – 2014

Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences council member, 2010 – 2013

Study commission member, Summer 2010, 2011 – 2012

Academic affiliations

Graduate Affiliate, Center on Democracy, University of Chicago, 2018 – 2021

Visiting Scholar, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, 4/2019 – 6/2019

Further skills

Languages: German (native speaker), English (C2), Spanish (B2), French (A2)

Software: Stata, R, LaTeX, Microsoft Office

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