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ACADEMIC CAREER

Research Interests: Macro-Finance, Monetary Policy, Financial Stability & Public Economics

London School of Economics – MSc in Economics (Distinction) 08/2024 - 10/2025

Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Econometrics, Asset Markets and Portfolio Management

Empirical Thesis: The Geography of the Presidential Puzzle – Political Alignment & Stock Returns

Full merit scholarship by the German Academic Exchange Service & the Foundation of German Business

University of Bonn – BSc in Economics (1.0 · Valedictorian) 10/2020 - 10/2023

Empirical Thesis: The Effect of IMF Programs on Populism (1.0 · Distinction)

Honors Program for the top 100 of 20,000 students focusing on Advanced Corporate Finance and PPE

Funded research fellow for the German American Conference at the Harvard Kennedy School 2022

Full merit scholarship by the Foundation of German Business

Toulouse School of Economics – Visiting Student MSc in Economics & Statistics 09/2022 - 01/2023

Focused on Advanced Econometrics and Data-Driven Research Methods (Magna cum laude)

University of Mannheim – Coursework towards BSc in Business Administration 09/2019 - 09/2020

Otto Kuehne School Godesberg – High School Diploma (0.8) 09/2011 - 07/2019

WORK EXPERIENCE

Deutsche Bundesbank – Risk Analyst Intern – Frankfurt 10/2023 - 02/2024

Empirical banking and financial supervision, stress testing and data processing

✓ Conducted credit risk analyses using R, Excel, Bloomberg and supervisory databases

✓ Developed and validated a synthetic control model to assess idiosyncratic risks in the banking sector

✓ Optimised reporting processes for real estate financing and country risks through process automation

✓ Consistently exceeded performance expectations (confirmed in reference)

Deutscher Bundestag – Part-time Research Assistant – Berlin 08/2021 - 09/2022

Assistant to Nicole Westig, MP and liberal chairwoman in the health committee

✓ Produced structured policy analyses and scientific briefs to inform committee decisions

✓ Managed stakeholder communication and inquiries with associations, citizens, and ministries

Deutsche Telekom – Student Consulting Project – Bonn 06/2021 - 09/2021

Data-driven youth segment marketing strategy for private customers in Germany

✓ Identified hidden customer needs and trends within the young consumer segment

✓ Benchmarked competitors and analysed USPs to inform positioning strategy

✓ Presented actionable recommendations for the marketing mix to commercial management

✓ Results were used directly to inform commercial decision-making

Christ & Company Consulting – Analyst Intern – Berlin 09/2020 - 10/2020

Strategy consulting internship with exposure to ESG, post-M&A and regulatory due diligence

✓ Delivered market and trend analyses for a post-M&A communication and ESG strategy

✓ Researched regulatory developments and produced materials for a successful pitch

✓ Led a pro bono restructuring project for a youth welfare NGO

LEADERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT

Member of the FDP North Rhine-Westphalia Committee for Finance and Taxation 05/2024 - Today

Elected Member of the City Council and Board Member of the FDP Rhein-Sieg 05/2022 - Today

Student Consultant at INTEGRA and MAC 09/2019 - 02/2023

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

✓ English Advanced C2 ✓ Excel, PowerPoint, Word, Tableau Advanced

✓ German Native C2 ✓ R, Python, LaTeX, SQL, Bloomberg Advanced

✓ French Intermediate B2 ✓ Stata, MATLAB, C++, Xcode Intermediate