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## **EDUCATION**

# **University of Oxford**

2017-Present

DPhil Candidate in Sociology

Thesis: Them Against Us—Assessing the Dynamics of Intergroup Conflict during the Refugee Crisis

Supervisor: Michael Biggs

**Harvard University** 

2020-Present

Visiting Fellow, Department of Sociology

University of Oxford

2014-2015

MSc in Sociology

City, University of London

2011-2014

BSc (Hons.) in Media Studies & Sociology

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Substantive: violence, intergroup relations, protests, inequality.

Methodological: causal inference, computational methods.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- "Cologne Changed Everything—The effect of threatening events on the frequency and distribution of ethnic conflict in Germany." *European Sociological Review.* 2020.
- "The Case of Convergence: Assessing Regional Income Distribution in Asia and the Pacific." *United Nations Asia-Pacific-Sustainable Development Journal*, 2018.
- "Inequality of Opportunity in Asia-Pacific: Clean Energy" (with Patrik Andersson, Ermina Sokou, Yichun Wang, and Predrag Savic). Report for *United Nations ESCAP*, 2018.
- "Sustainable Social Development in Asia and the Pacific" (with Patrik Andersson and Ermina Sokou). Report for *United Nations ESCAP*, 2017.

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

- "Getting Under the Skin: The Impact of Terrorist Attacks on In- and Out-Group Sentiment" (*under review*).
- "Faces in the Crowd: Estimating Protest Ideology with Twitter Data" (with Christopher Barrie).
- "How Mass Shootings impact Attitudes towards Gun Restrictions in the U.S." (with David Kirk).
- "Learning Loss during the COVID-19 pandemic" (with Per Engzell and Mark Verhagen) [pre-registration].

#### SELECTED AWARDS & GRANTS

- German Academic Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes)
- Foundation of German Business (Stiftung der deutschen Wirtschaft)
- UK Economic and Social Research Council DTP
- St Catherine's College Graduate Scholar Fellowship
- German Academic Exchange Service Scholarship (DAAD)
- Graduate Speaker, City, University of London

#### SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

**2020** Joint IZA & Jacobs Center Workshop: Consequences of COVID-19 for Child Development International Conference on Computational Social Science (online)

American Sociological Association (online)

American Political Science Association (online)

Berkeley Center for Right-Wing Studies (online)

European Consortium for Sociological Research (online)

Social Science History Association (postponed)

**2019** American Political Science Association (Washington, DC)

European Sociological Association (Manchester, UK)

All Souls Workshop on Conflict and Violence (Oxford, UK)

Alternative Futures & Popular Protest (Manchester, UK)

#### RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

## **Research Assistant**

Aug 2019–Present

University of Oxford

Oxford, UK

· Research Assistant to Professor Dave Kirk on a project examining neighbourhood change, crime, and public opinion in the United States.

# **Teaching Responsibilities**

University of Oxford

Sept 2017–Present Oxford, UK

- · Instructor of record of the applied statistics course *Political Analysis II* for the Oxford Q-Step Centre. Degree: BA Politics, Philosophy, and Economics; class size: 60.
- · Teaching assistant of *Statistical Analysis of Social Research Methods*. Degree: MSc Sociology; class size: 50 & 35.
- · College Tutor of the course *Political Sociology of Social Movements* at St Catherine's College.

#### **Social Affairs Consultant**

Sept 2016–Sept 2017

United Nations ESCAP

Bangkok, TH

· Lead consultant on a set of reports covering inequalities of opportunities in 27 countries in Asia-Pacific, analysing DHS and MICS household survey data (R and Stata). Co-author and statistical consultant on a range of UN reports.

## **SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS**

**Seminars** Advanced Quantitative Research (Convenor: Christopher Winship), Political Vi-

olence Seminar (Convenor: Erica Chenoweth), T.E. Lawrence Programme on the

Study of Conflict (Convenor: Stathis Kalyvas).

**Workshops** Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS), Essex Summer School

(Advanced Methods for Social Media & Textual Data).

## **SKILLS & LANGUAGES**

**Software** R, Python, Markdown, Stata, Lage.

Languages English, German, French.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

## **Peer Reviewer**

European Sociological Review.

# Student Representative, University of Oxford

Sept 2017-Sept 2019

Representing student interests at the Graduate Joint Consultative Committee.