

# Carolina Kansikas

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## Education

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PhD in Economics	<i>University of Warwick, UK</i>
<i>Expected 2025</i>	<i>2025</i>
Master of Research in Economics	<i>University of Warwick, UK</i>
<i>with Distinction</i>	<i>2021</i>
MSc. in Economics	<i>Aalto University, Finland</i>
<i>with Distinction, Dean's list</i>	<i>2019</i>
Visited the University of St. Gallen as part of double-degree program (CEMS)	
BSc. in Economics	<i>Aalto University, Finland</i>
<i>Minor in Finance</i>	<i>2016</i>

## Fields

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Development, Environmental, Political economy

## Research

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Roots of renewal: evidence from carbon capture in the Northern Kenya Rangelands

Bound by belonging: Experimental evidence of collective frictions in climate change adaptation

Customized cash transfers: financial lives and cash-flow preferences in rural Kenya (with A. Mani and P. Niehaus) *R&R at the Review of Economics and Statistics*

Gender equality through turnover: Quasi-experimental evidence from term limit reforms in Italy (with M. Bagues)

Missing secondary markets and technology adoption (with H. Alperen Tosun)

## Teaching

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EC902: Quantitative Methods: Econometrics A	<i>Evaluation: 4.8/5</i>
<i>University of Warwick, Graduate</i>	
EC910: Quantitative Methods: Econometrics B	<i>Evaluation: 4.9/5</i>
<i>University of Warwick, Graduate</i>	
EC310: Development Economics	<i>Evaluation: 4.63/5</i>
<i>University of Warwick, Undergraduate</i>	
EC203: Applied Econometrics	<i>Evaluation: 4.5/5</i>
<i>University of Warwick, Undergraduate</i>	
PH336: Political Economy	<i>Evaluation: 4.6/5</i>
<i>University of Warwick, Undergraduate</i>	

## Awards

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Graduate Teaching Excellence Award (2025)	<i>University of Warwick</i>
Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation Scholarship (€12,000, 2023–2024)	<i>University of Warwick</i>

Skeoch Scholarship (awarded to 2 high-achieving MRes students))	<i>University of Warwick</i>
Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation Scholarships (€12,000 in 2018–2019, €14,000 in 2020–2021)	<i>University of Warwick</i>
Dean’s List Award (Awarded to top 2% at Aalto University)	<i>Aalto University</i>
Ilkka Kontula Foundation Scholarship (all top 10% BSc. students)	<i>Aalto University</i>

## Grants

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STEG PhD Grant (£15,000, Principal Investigator, Joint with H. A. Tosun)

Warwick Discretionary Research Grant (£2,000, 2021)

Applied Micro Research Group Grant (£2,000)

## Professional experience

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University of Oxford - Research Assistant (for Prof. A. Mani) (2022)

University of Warwick - Pre-doctoral Fellow (for Prof. M. Bagues) (2019)

Finnish Competition Authority - Research Officer – Analysis of mergers & acquisitions (2018)

Labor Institute for Economic Research, Finland - Research Assistant (2017-2018)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland - Academic intern, Singapore Embassy (2017)

Business Finland, Finland - Company & Market analyst trainee, foreign direct investment (2016)

## Presentations

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EGEN Conference (Uppsala and Stockholm), CAGE AMES Seminar (Warwick), Warwick PhD Forum, IPA and Global Poverty Research Lab (Northwestern University), Y-Rise (Yale and University of Jamaica), COSME Madrid Gender Economics Workshop, CAGE Workshop on Gender and Inequality, EEA-ESEM Congress 2024, EALE 2024.

## Affiliations & service

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Co-organizer of the Warwick PhD Conference (2022, 2023)

PhD Mentor for Applicant Mentorship Program (2021, 2024)

CAGE Research Centre Affiliate (2021–)

President, Aalto Economics Student Association (2016)

## Technical skills

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Stata, R, ArcGis, Python (basics), L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## Languages

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English, Italian, Finnish, Spanish, French (written), Kiswahili (beginner)