

# FRÉDÉRIC KLUSER

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Bern, Ph.D. in Economics** (Supervisor: Maximilian von Ehrlich) 2024  
*Expected completion:* September 2024  
Visiting researcher at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, 09/2023-03/2024  
**University of Bern, M.Sc. in International and Monetary Economics** 2020  
*summa cum laude* | GPA 5.88/6.00 | Visited the Toulouse School of Economics, 01/2020-06/2020  
**University of Bern, B.Sc. in Economics** 2018  
*insigni cum laude* | GPA 5.73/6.00 | Minor in Computer Science

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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**Teaching Assistant – Prof. von Ehrlich** since 09.2020  
*University of Bern, Department of Economics*

- Served as TA for four courses and two seminars
- Developed and held exercise sessions, supervised students, wrote and corrected exams
- Co-organizer of four academic workshops on spatial economics and public finance
- Representative of doctoral students at the faculty

**Junior Teaching Assistant and Student Advisor – Prof. Lenz, Emons, Melly** 02.2018 - 08.2020  
*University of Bern, Department of Economics*

- Served as TA for five courses in micro- & macroeconomics and taught programming with R

**Intern and Working Student – Digitalization** 01.2017 - 12.2017  
*Lauber IWISA – Naters, Switzerland*

- Part of a team working on a new ERP system using OpenERP, Python, and Excel

**Intern and Working Student – Site Controlling and Finance** 07.2014 - 06.2016  
*Lonza – Visp, Switzerland*

- Supporting the site controlling and finance team during the budgeting process
- Creating reports, analyses, and visualizations for the team leaders using SAP, Excel, VBA

## DISSERTATION PROJECTS

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*The Apple Does Not Fall Far From the Tree: Intergenerational Persistence of Dietary Habits* (with Martina Pons)

- Methods: distributional counterfactual analysis, causal inference (diff-in-diff), big data, theoretical modeling
- Findings: parents strongly influence their children's eating habits, exceeding their effect on income

*Spatial Frictions in Consumption and Retail Competition* (with Maximilian von Ehrlich and Tobias Seidel)

- Methods: web scraping, machine learning (LASSO, probabilistic matching), big data, data acquisition
- Findings: grocery market access varies spatially more than income and is very heterogeneous

*Cross-Border Shopping: Evidence from Household Transaction Records*

- Methods: causal inference (diff-in-diff), big data, web scraping
- Findings: households travel large distances to shop abroad at lower prices

## PRIZES & GRANTS

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Grant for two conferences, *Research Foundation, University of Bern*, 2024  
Grant for a research visit at the University of Pennsylvania, *Research Commission, University of Bern*, 2022  
Prize for the best performance in the Swiss Program for Doctoral Students (ex aequo), *Study Center Gerzensee*, 2021  
Grant for a Ph.D. summer school, *Research Foundation, University of Bern*, 2021  
Prize for the third best master's degree, *Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Bern*, 2020

## SKILLS

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**Languages:** German (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate), Italian (basic)  
**Programming:** R, Stata, Matlab, SQL, Github, LaTeX