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## Education

- 2020 PhD in Political Science  
London School of Economics and Political Science, Department of Government  
Fields: Election integrity, Comparative politics, Experimental methods
- 2008 Master of Social Science  
Helsinki University, Faculty of Social Sciences
- 2006 Master of Political Science  
Lund University, Faculty of Social Sciences (visiting)

## Research

- Peer Reviewed Publications
  - How information about foreign aid affects public spending decisions: Evidence from a field experiment in Malawi, with Brigitte Seim and Ryan Jablonski, Journal of Development Economics, September 2020
- In Progress
  - What causes election irregularities? Identifying human error and fraud in the Malawi 2019 election, with Ryan Jablonski
  - Do voters reward politicians for foreign aid? with Brigitte Seim and Ryan Jablonski

## Academic Work Experience

- LSE Fellow in Quantitative Methods: LSE, Department of Methodology: September 2022- September 2025
- LSE Fellow in Development Management: LSE, Department of International Development: September 2021- August 2022
- Teaching Fellow in Politics and Research Methods, Royal Holloway University, Department of Politics and International Relations: September 2019 – July 2021

## Academic Teaching

- LSE 2021-2024
  - Applied Regression analysis (Convener and Seminar teaching)
  - Research Design (Seminar teaching)
  - International Development Management (Seminar teaching)
- Royal Holloway 2019-2021
  - Introduction to Politics and Governance (Convener and Seminar teaching)
  - Research Methods in Politics and International Relations (Convener and Seminar teaching)
  - Researching Politics and International Relations: Analysis, Design and Practice (Convener and Seminar teaching)

## Research projects

- Identifying and preventing drug theft in Malawi (Research Support and Analysis): 2019
- Strategies of Election Fraud across the Electoral Cycle (Co-PI): 2018-2021
- Spatial Inequalities in African Political Economy (Research Support and Analysis): 2018
- Foreign Aid Allocation in Malawi (Field Research Manager): 2016-2017

## Other Work Experience

- International Labour Organisation (ILO), Lebanon: 2010-2012
- Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO), Kyrgyz Republic: 2009-2010
- Central Baltic INTERREG Programme, Finland: 2008-2009
- Helsinki Regional Representation to the EU, Belgium: 2005

## Public Engagement

- Cooperation with NGO on election observation in Malawi: 2019
- Public Lecture at LSE on Electoral Forensics in Mozambique, with Jouni Kuha and Joseph Hanlon: 2017