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## Education

- Ph.D. Business & Public Policy, **UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business**, 07/2017 – today.  
**Fields:** Economic History, Political Economy, Organizational Economics  
**GPA:** 3.81/4.00
- M.Sc. Economics, **Barcelona Graduate School of Economics** (BGSE), 09/2015 – 07/2016.
- B.Sc. Economics, **University of Munich** (LMU), 10/2011 – 07/2015
- B.A. Philosophy, **University of Munich** (LMU), 10/2011 – 07/2015
- Visiting Undergraduate Student, **Harvard University**, 09/2013 – 05/2014

## Published Papers

1. [“Killer Incentives: Rivalry, Performance and Risk-Taking among German Fighter Pilots, 1939-45”](#)  
(with Philipp Ager, Leonardo Bursztyn, and Hans-Joachim Voth)  
**Review of Economic Studies**, 89(4), 2257-2292, (2022) [Lead article]

## Working Papers

1. [“Dissecting the Sinews of Power: International Trade and the Rise of Britains Fiscal-Military State, 1689-1823”](#) (with Ernesto Dal Bo, Karolina Hutkova, and Noam Yuchtman)  
*R&R* – **Journal of Economic History**

## Work in Progress

1. “One Job, One Vote? The Electoral Return to Patronage”
2. “Can Political Machines Promote Social Mobility? Evidence From Tammany Hall”
3. “Replacing the Ties That Bind: Welfare State Expansion, Mobility, and Modernization”
4. “Screening for Candidates: The Role of the Party in Political Selection” (with Tuomas Kari)
5. “Market Structure and Competition for Indigenous Labor” (with Davis Kedrosky and Chiara Motta)
6. “From Rivals to Partners: The Alignment of Capital and State Coercion in the Rise of Modern Economic Growth” (with Ernesto Dal Bo and Noam Yuchtman)

7. “Company-State at Home: The East India Company and the Fiscal System in Eighteenth-Century Britain” (with Ernesto Dal Bo, Karolina Hutkova, and Noam Yuchtman)
8. “Expropriation, Reallocation, and Political Selection: Evidence from the Rise of the English Gentry” (with Davis Kedrosky)
9. “Born Leaders? Entrepreneurial Selection and the (Mis)management of Human Resources” (with Tuomas Kari, Matteo Tranchero, and Joosua Virtanen)

## Teaching

Game Theory in the Social Sciences, UC Berkeley, Undergraduate Economics, Fall 2019

Graduate Student Instructor for Robert Powell and Shachar Kariv

## Pre-PhD Work Experience

- Full-Time Research Assistant for Hans-Joachim Voth, University of Zurich (UZH), 07/2016 - 07/2017
- Research Assistant for Maria Petrova and Giacomo Ponzetto, Barcelona GSE, 09/2015 - 07/2016
- Intern at German Federal Ministry of Finance, 08/2015
- Research Assistant for Davide Cantoni, University of Munich (LMU), 10/2014 – 12/2015
- Research Intern for Panu Poutvaara, Ifo Institute for Economic Research, 03/2015 – 04/2015
- Intern at Bavarian Ministry of Economic Affairs, 08/2014 – 10/2014
- Research Assistant for Klaus M. Schmidt, University of Munich (LMU), 09/2012 – 07/2013

## Awards and Fellowships

- N2PE Political Economy Network Scholar, UC Berkeley, 2022 – today
- Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship – 2022
- Grant from Center for Equity, Gender & Leadership, UC Berkeley – 2022
- Gerard Roland Dissertation Fellowship, Association for Comparative Economic Studies – 2021/22
- Grant from Clausen Center, UC Berkeley (as Co-PI) – 04/2021
- Grant from Dearing Fund, All-UC Group in Economic History – 06/2020
- Grant from Oliver Williamson PhD Fund, UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business – 01/2020, 09/2021
- ERP (European Recovery Program) Graduate Scholarship, 07/2017 – 05/2019
- Graduate Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), 08/2017 – 05/2018
- Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation, 07/2015 – 07/2016, 07/2017 – 05/2019
- Scholarship of the Max Weber-Program, 04/2015 – 07/2016
- Scholarship of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation, 09/2013 – 07/2016

- Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), 10/2013

## Service

- Organizer Berkeley Economic History Workshop, 2023
- Organizer DEVPEC 2020 (Development and Political Econ. SF Bay Area PhD Student Conference)
- Organizer Political Economy Research Lunch, UC Berkeley, 2018 – 2020
- Organizer Business & Public Policy Student Seminar, UC Berkeley, 2019 – 2020
- Referee for *Economica*, 2019

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