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## EDUCATION

**University of Oxford**, PhD in Social Policy 2019 - present  
Supervisors: Bernhard Ebbinghaus, Brian Nolan

**London School of Economics (LSE)**, MSc in Political Economy, 2016  
Dissertation on the revival of neo-corporatism (Distinction)

**Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)**, BSc in Economics 2015  
Thesis on a European unemployment insurance scheme (Distinction)

### *Visiting Positions*

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)**, Sloan School of Management spring 2023  
Institute of Work and Employment Research (IWER)  
Host: Nathan Wilmers

**University of California, Berkeley**, Department of Economics fall 2022  
Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE)  
Host: Emmanuel Saez

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Markets, Social Policy, Industrial Relations, Policy Evaluation

## RESEARCH

### *Working Papers*

[“Employing the unemployed of Marienthal: Evaluation of a guaranteed job program”](#)  
(joint with Maximilian Kasy).

[“Begging thy coworker - Labor market dualization and the slow-down of wage growth in Europe”](#), (joint with Paul Ramskogler and Aleksandra Riedl), INET Oxford Working Paper.

### *Work in Progress*

[“Reframing Active Labor Market Policy: Field Experiments on Barriers to Program Participation”](#), (joint with Anna Schwarz).

“Worker Organization and Firm Performance: New Evidence from Union Membership Registries”, (joint with Emanuel List).

### *Journal Publications*

[“Capturing the COVID-19 Crisis through Public Health and Social Measures Data Science”](#), (joint with Cindy Cheng, Amélie Desvars-Larrive, Bernhard Ebbinghaus, Thomas Hale, Alex Howes, Luca Messerschmidt, Angeliki Nika, Steve Penson, Anna Petherick, Hanmeng Xu, Alexander John Zapf, Yuxi Zhang, and Sophia Alison Zweig), *Scientific Data*, 2022, 9, 520.

“Welfare state support during the COVID-19 pandemic: Change and continuity in public attitudes towards social policies in Germany”, *European Policy Analysis*, (joint with Bernhard Ebbinghaus, and Elias Naumann), 2022, 8(3), 297–311.

“Cui bono - business or labour? Job retention policies to prevent mass unemployment in Europe during the Covid-19 pandemic”, *Transfer: European Review of Labour and Research*, (joint with Bernhard Ebbinghaus), 2022, 28(1), 47-64.

“A Reversing Case within Trajectories of Liberalisation: The revival of neo-corporatism in Austria since 2008”, *Momentum Quarterly - Journal for Societal Progress*, 2017, 6(4), 210-229.

#### *Tools and Data*

“Causes and Consequences of Unemployment in the COVID-19 pandemic”, (joint with Daniel Schönherr), 06/2022, <https://doi.org/10.11587/XJNNYA>, AUSSDA, V1.

“Oxford Supertracker: The Global Directory for COVID Policy Trackers and Surveys”, (joint with Mary Daly, Bernhard Ebbinghaus, Marek Naczyk, and Tim Vlandas), 07/2020.

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

#### *Awards*

Innovation in Politics Award (joint with Marienthal Job Guarantee project team)	2023
WU International Research Fellowship (€ 6,000)	2023
Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy dissertation grant award (\$ 7,500)	2022
UC Berkeley Fellowship 2022/23 of the Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation (\$ 6,000)	2022
SASE / Digit 2022 Early Career Workshop Award	2022
IZA Summer School in Labor Economics travel award	2022
Oxford-Santander Academic Travel Award (£ 1,250)	2022
Barnett Prize for best paper of the year by a research student at DSPI, Oxford	2021

#### *Scholarships*

Scatcherd European DPhil scholarship at the University of Oxford (£ 45,000)	2019 - 2023
Saven European DPhil scholarship at the University of Oxford (£ 25,000)	2019 - 2023
UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) DPhil scholarship (£ 13,000)	2019 - 2023
Institute of New Economic Thinking (INET) YSI conference scholarship (£ 200)	2016
MSc merit scholarship from the Chamber of Labour (€ 4,150)	2015 - 2016
BSc merit scholarship from the Vienna University of Economics (€ 400)	2014 - 2015

#### *Large grants (≥ € 100,000)*

Co-PI for “Labor Unions and Firm Productivity” (€ 249,000) from the Central Bank of Austria (OeNB) with Emanuel List (PI)	2023 - 2025
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#### *Medium grants (≥ € 10,000 - < € 100,000 )*

PI for “Reframing training for job-seekers” (€ 59,400) from Public Employment Service (AMS) with Anna Schwarz	2022 - 2026
PI for “Unionization and Firm Performance” (€ 60,000) from Chamber of Labour with Emanuel List	2022 - 2023
Research England’s HEIF and ESRC Impact Acceleration Account (£ 10,000) through the University of Oxford’s COVID-19 Urgent Response Fund with Marek Naczyk (PI), Mary Daly, Bernhard Ebbinghaus and Tim Vlandas	2020

### *Small grants (< € 10,000)*

DSPI Student Support Fund, University of Oxford (£ 200)	2023
St Edmund Hall Graduate College Grant, University of Oxford (£ 1,000)	2023
Co-PI for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) from WU Vienna (€ 4,725)	2022
“Fostering international knowledge transfer in higher education: Oxford Tutorial meets WU Vienna” with Severin Rapp	
St Edmund Hall MCR Academic Endeavours Grant, University of Oxford (£ 325)	2022, 2023
PI for “Training vouchers for job seekers” (€ 9,000)	2021 - 2026
from Public Employment Service (AMS) with Anna Schwarz	
PI for a survey of job seekers (€ 4,000)	2021
from Public Employment Service (AMS) with Anna Schwarz	
ESRC Research Training and Support Grant (£ 2,330)	2019, 2022
St Edmund Hall College Grant, University of Oxford (£ 1050)	2019, 2021, 2022
PI for “Wage growth in Europe” from the Central Bank of Austria (OeNB) (€ 3,000)	2019 - 2020
ESRC Overseas Fieldwork (£ 600)	2019 - 2020

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### *Invited Talks*

**2023:** European Parliament, European Commission, MIT IWER, MIT Sloan ESWG, University of Oslo, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Bard College, University of Duisburg-Essen, Johannes Kepler University Linz, University of Graz, Territoires zéro chômeur de longue durée, German Academic Scholarship Foundation, Ministry of Labour and Economy (Austria), Public Employment Service Austria.

**2022:** OECD / IZA, United Nations, UC Berkeley Economics, UC Berkeley IRLE, UC Berkeley IES, FEPS, IZA / Sheffield / Econtribute, SASE, Oxford BSG, Economic Policy Club, Public Employment Service Austria, Arbeit Plus, Chamber of Labour Austria.

**2021:** OECD, ILO, Oxford BSG, Covid-19 PHSM, Bertelsmann Foundation, ETUI, SZEf, Chamber of Labour, Diskurs, Vienna University of Economics and Business, Public Employment Service Austria, Netzpolitischer Abend.

### *Conferences and Workshops*

**2023:** SOLE, LERA, EALE, ESPAnet.

**2022:** AFE U. Chicago, IZA Summer School, SASE (2), ISA RC28, ESPAnet, BUIRA (2), Oxford (3).

**2021 and prior:** ESPAnet, ESPAnet Workshop, ESPAnet Working Group, SPA, PSA, InGRID: Experimental designs in social policy research, Villa Vigoni Conference, Global Forum on Democratizing Work, University of Glasgow Symposium, Oxford (7), ESRC (2), INET YSI.

## **ENGAGEMENT**

### *Reports and Book Chapters*

“Unemployment and Labor Market Policy”, (joint with Dennis Tamesberger). In: *Handbook of Social Infrastructure*. Edward Elgar Publishing. forthcoming.

“[Universal Job Guarantee Boosts Wellbeing & Eliminates Long-Term Unemployment](#)”, (joint with Maximilian Kasy and Jess Kaplan), Oxford, UK: Institute of New Economic Thinking at the Martin School, University of Oxford, 09/2023.

[“Das Recht auf Arbeit. Wirtschaftliche und soziale Auswirkungen einer Jobgarantie”](#), (joint with Maximilian Kasy). In: Elisabeth Kaiser, Marcus Schober (Eds.), *Beschäftigung für alle. Die Zukunft der Arbeit*, 92-100, Vol. 4, Vienna: ÖGB Verlag, 2023.

[“Tracking Policy Responses to COVID-19: Opportunities, Challenges and Solutions”](#), (joint with Mary Daly, Bernhard Ebbinghaus, Marek Naczyk, and Tim Vlandas), Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford, 09/2020.

#### *Selected Interviews and Media Quotes*

My research appears regularly in the media and I have given in total over 50 interviews during my PhD studies.

#### *Print*

[“What happens when jobs are guaranteed?”](#), The New Yorker, 12/2022.

[“Abschied vom Ramsch-Modell”](#), Der Spiegel, 12/2022.

[“Unconditional job guarantee to be trialled in Austria, in world first”](#), Independent, 11/2020.

#### *TV*

[“European Stories: Helping the Long-term Unemployed”](#), ARTE (TV documentary), 12/2021.

[“Plan B: Zurück in den Job. Wege aus der Arbeitslosigkeit”](#), ZDF (TV documentary), 04/2022.

[“Experiment Jobgarantie: Was uns ein Pilotprojekt für Langzeitarbeitslose lehrt”](#), ORF, ECO Magazin (TV), 02/2023.

#### *Radio*

[“The many benefits of a guaranteed job program \(with Max Kasy and Lukas Lehner\)”](#), Pitchfork Economics Podcast, 01/2023.

[“Sozialexperiment: Mit Jobgarantie gegen Arbeitslosigkeit”](#), Deutschlandfunk Nova (radio), 01/2023.

[“Dimensionen: Die Nobelpreise 2021: Wirtschaft. Der Arbeitsmarkt als “natürliches” Experiment.”](#), Ö1 (radio) interviewed alongside David Card and Joshua Angrist, 12/2021.

## **TEACHING**

### *University of Oxford*

Statistics for Public Policy (postgraduate level)	2022
<i>Seminar Leader</i>	

Quantitative Analysis (postgraduate level)	2021
<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	

Social Policy (undergraduate level)	2021 - 2022
<i>Seminar Leader</i>	

Comparative Political Economy (undergraduate level)	2021 - 2022
<i>Seminar Leader</i>	

### **University College London (UCL) / National Centre for Research Methods (NCRM)**

Tools for Efficient Workflows (GitHub, Markdown, Docker) (PhD level) 2023  
Course Convenor, [Syllabus](#)

### **GESIS Fall Seminar in Computational Social Science, Mannheim**

Tools for Efficient Workflows, Smooth Collaboration and Optimized Research Outputs 2022  
Course Convenor, [Syllabus](#) (PhD level)

### **Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)**

Economic Policy (undergraduate level ) 2022  
Course Convenor, [Syllabus](#)

Supervision of final theses (undergraduate level) 2021 - 2022

International Macroeconomics (undergraduate level) 2014 – 2015  
Teaching Assistant

### **Training for higher education**

Advancing Teaching and Learning (ATL) programme  
by the Oxford Centre for Teaching and Learning and Advance HE, UK 2021 - 2022

Preparing for Learning and Teaching training at Oxford (PLTO) 2021

## **SERVICE**

**Reviewer:** Applied Economics, Belgian Science Policy Office, Competition & Change (2), European Journal of Social Security, Journal of European Social Policy, Momentum Quarterly, Research in Social Stratification and Mobility, Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft (2).

**Organizer:** WZB Workshop on the Welfare State and Causality, UC Berkeley IES panel, ESPAnet panel, Covid-19 PHSM Conference (2).

**Founder:** Seminar series on the hidden curriculum at Oxford, COVID-19 PHSM Network.

## **PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU), Researcher** 2021 - present  
Cover for the administrative duties of an assistant professor for 1 semester

**University of Oxford, Department of Social Policy, Researcher** 2020 - 2021

**Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB), Vienna, Consultant** 2019 – 2020

**OECD, Paris, Economist** 2017 – 2019

**International Labour Organization (ILO), Geneva, Economist** 2016 – 2017

**London School of Economics (LSE), Research Assistant** 2015 – 2016

## **SKILLS AND LANGUAGES**

**Data Analysis:** R, Stata, Python

**Languages:** English (fluent), German (native), Spanish (intermediate), French, Italian (basic)