NIELS GOET

Social scientist and data analyst who loves to tackle real-life problems with the power of data.

PERSONAL PROFILE

Social scientist and data analyst with strong research skills. Loves to tackle real-life problems with the power of data. Enthusiastic team player who is keen to further develop his (big) data analysis skills.

EXPERTISE

- Research design
- (Big) data analysis
- Reporting
- Data visualisation
- Frequentist & Bayesian statistics
- Data mining, processing, and preparation
- Computational text analysis

KEY SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Python (experienced) • R (very experienced) • Stata (experienced) • SPSS (limited) • VBA (limited)

COMPUTER

LaTeX • CSS • HTML • Adobe Photoshop • Mac OSX • Windows OS • Microsoft Office • WordPress

LANGUAGES

Dutch (native) • English (bilingual) • French (Level C2) • German (limited working proficiency) • Norwegian (elementary)

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD | D.Phil. in Politics

Submitted: 2nd October 2017; Passed without corrections on 11th January 2018

- My PhD research focused on automated measurement of political communication. I developed a machine learning-based approach to measure the preferences of UK politicians on the basis of 6.2 million speeches.
- Selected coursework: Formal Analysis, Automated Content Analysis.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY | Visiting Fellow

August 2016 - January 2017 | Cambridge, MA, US

- Conducting research at the Department of Government, Harvard University, and auditing methods and statistics courses.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD | M.Phil. in Politics (European Politics and Society)

Diploma: July 2014 | Cum Laude

- Selected coursework: Intermediate Quantitative Methods; Applied Statistics for Social Scientists; Time Series Analysis.

UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN | B.A. in International Relations

Diploma: July 2012 | Cum Laude, GPA: 8.6/10.0

- Selected coursework: International and European Law; International Trade Theory and Policy; International Monetary Relations; International Negotiations.
- Honours College.
- Erasmus at Sciences Po Paris (Dean's List).

LEIDEN UNIVERSITY | Pre-university College

Diploma: July 2008

Interdisciplinary Honours Programme for Secondary School Students

- Selected coursework: Life Science and Technology; Mathematical Modelling.
- Research: Fibonacci sequence in geometry.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

INSPERA ASSESSMENT | Data Scientist

January 2018 - currently

- Data scientist at Inspera's R&D team

UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA | Visiting Researcher

March 2017 - November 2018 | http://parliamentarycareersincomparison.org

- Coordinating the data gathering effort of the Geneva team for the Parliamentary Careers in Comparison project.
- Next steps: Developing an SQL-based on-line data platform.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY POLITICS BLOG (OXPOL) | Editor

May 2015 - currently | Oxford, UK | http://blog.politics.ox.ac.uk

- Responsible for the re-branding and re-design of the website (September-October 2015) and for editorial decisions.

EUROPEAN JOURNALISM OBSERVATORY (EJO) | Editor

October 2015 - May 2016 | Oxford, UK | http://en.ejo.ch

EUROPEAN INTEGRATION DEPARTMENT, NETHERLANDS MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS | Intern

Jul - Oct 2013 | The Hague, NL

- Working on the Dutch subsidiarity exercise, the smart regulation review, and the 2016 EU presidency.

EUSPEAK.EU | Founding Director

Nov 2012 – Nov 2014 | Oxford, UK | www.EUspeak.eu

- Founding and managing a current affairs website on European politics, leading a team of 11 writers.

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INTERESTS/HOBBIES

Music (Classical & Jazz) • Saxophone • English & American literature • History • Emerging technologies • Big data • Skiing • Fitness • Running

MY PROJECTS

CHECKS&BALANCES | Reporter

Oct 2009 - Nov 2011 | Groningen, NL

- Working on an eight-strong editorial board to create a three-monthly magazine on International Relations with 1350 subscriptions.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

OXFORD SPRING SCHOOL IN METHODS | Teaching Assistant

March 2017 | Oxford, UK

- Courses taught include: "Clinic on 'R'" and "Data Visualisation".

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD Q-STEP CENTRE | Teaching Assistant

January 2015 - July 2017 | Oxford, UK

- Designing and teaching the programming course "Political Analysis Using R" for students in the Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) and History and Politics (HPOL) programmes at the University of Oxford.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD | Tutor in Politics

October 2015 - July 2016 | Oxford, UK

- Providing tutorials for undergraduate students for the courses "Politics of the EU," and "Comparative Government."

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Quantitative Teaching Scholarship, Q-Step Centre, University of Oxford (2016-2017).
- Political Science/ICPSR Clogg Scholarship to participate in the 2016 ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, with courses taken in: Mathematics II; Mathematics III; Regression III; and Introduction to Bayesian Statistics.
- Full PhD Studentship offered jointly by the Department of Politics and International Relationship, University of Oxford, and Lady Margaret Hall (2014-2016).
- Placed on Dean's Honour List due to outstanding academic achievement, *Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris*, 2012.

WORKING PAPERS/RESEARCH

- Goet, Niels. "Measuring Polarization with Text Analysis: Evidence from the UK House of Commons, 1811-2015." [under review]
- Goet, Niels. "The Politics of Procedural Choice: Standing Orders Reform in the UK House of Commons, 1811-2015". [under review]
- Goet, Niels and Ezequiel González Ocantos. "The Impact of International Law on Constitutional Court Rulings: Evidence from Colombia, 1992-2015." [under review]
- Goet, Niels and Radoslaw Zubek. "Standing Orders Reform in the UK House of Commons, 1811-2015: A New Dataset."

MEDIA (SELECTED)

- 'Estimating the Effect of Feature Selection in Computational Text Analysis.' (26th April 2017). *Oxford University Politics Blog*.
- 'What Big Data Can Teach Political Scientists.' (27 April 2016). *Oxford University Politics Blog*.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

2014-17	Research Assistant (University of Oxford)
2011	Board Member (*Journée de la Francophonie*)
2009-10	Conference Manager (Develop Your World)
2009	Assistant Teacher Social Sciences (Alfrink College)
2008	Emergency Service Operator (*Acta Assistance*, Lyon, FR)
2006-08	Volunteer (Nursing Home *De Vierstroom*)