

# Severin Rapp

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

- since 2020 **PhD in Economics and Social Sciences**, *Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)*, Vienna, Thesis: Measuring wealth inequality - New methods and approaches.  
Supervisory Board: Prof. Wilfried Altzinger, Prof. Jesus Crespo-Cuaresma  
Complemented by: Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory 2020, InGRID2  
Winter School on Recent Advances in Poverty and Inequality Research 2021, HCEO-NES-  
CREC Virtual Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality 2021
- 2018–2019 **MSc in Comparative Social Policy**, *University of Oxford*, Oxford, Distinction.  
Supervisor: Prof. Brian Nolan
- 2014–2017 **BSc in Economics, Business and Social Sciences**, *WU*, Vienna, *GPA 1.16, Ranked among the top 1% of the students in the same cohort.*  
Economics Track
- 2016 **Erasmus Exchange Semester**, *University of Edinburgh*, Edinburgh.

### Current projects

- in progress *Understanding Wealth Inequality: A Probate-Based approach*, joint with F. Disslbacher.
- in progress *Wealth distribution and household economies of scale: Do families matter for inequality?*.
- in progress *Housing policy and the distribution of wealth: A comparison of Austrian regions*, joint with S. Humer, V. Lechinger and R. Lasser .

### Publications

- forthcoming **S. Humer and S. Rapp.** *Wealth and Welfare: Do Private and Public Safety Nets Compensate for Asset Poverty?*. *Social Inclusion*, 11(1).
- 2021 **S. Rapp.** *Asset bias in equivalence scale measurement*. WU INEQ Working Paper Series No. 22.
- 2020 **C. Dabrowski, R. Lasser, V. Lechinger and S. Rapp.** *Vermögen in Wien - Ungleichheit und öffentliches Eigentum* [Wealth in Vienna - Inequality and Public Ownership]. Vienna: City of Vienna Municipal Department 23.
- 2020 **S. Humer and S. Rapp.** *Kosten von Kindern Erhebungsmethoden und Bandbreiten* [Measuring the Cost of Children: Methods and Bandwidths]. Vienna: City of Vienna Municipal Department 40.
- 2018 **A. Corazza and S. Rapp.** *Questioning the Narrative: Posted Workers and Wage Dynamics in the EU Single Market*. *European Policy Review* 2(1), 3-18.
- 2018 **S. Humer and S. Rapp.** *Entwicklung und Verteilung von Lebenshaltungskosten* [Development and distributional impact of inflation]. Vienna: Federal Ministry for Work, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection.

### Awards, Grants and Scholarships

**Total monetary value: total: approx. €33,500.00.**

- 2022 WU Open Access Publication Fund awarded for Creative Commons publication.
- 2022 Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, for "Fostering international knowledge transfer in higher education: Oxford Tutorial meets WU".
- 2021 Eudard März Award for best conference contribution at the 2021 Young Economists Conference in Linz.
- 2019 Research grant, City of Vienna Municipality Department No. 23.
- 2019 George Smith Award for best MSc-Thesis of the Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford.
- 2018 Maria Szecsi MSc-Scholarship of the Austrian Chamber of Labour.
- 2017, 2016 Academic Achievement Scholarship, 2x.
- 2015, 2016 WU Rector's List Winter and Summer Term, 2x.
- 2015 Academic Achievement Scholarship.
- 2014 Member of the WU Top League.

## Selected Conference Presentations, Poster Sessions, Invited Talks

- 2022 **Workshop on Wealth Inequality and Intergenerational Mobility**, *Wealth distribution and household economies of scale: Do families matter for inequality*, Presentation, Vienna.
- 2022 **Momentum Congress**, *Wealth distribution and household economies of scale: Do families matter for inequality*, Presentation, Hallstatt.
- 2022 **Chamber of Labour Young Economists Conference**, *Wealth distribution and household economies of scale: Do families matter for inequality*, Presentation, Vienna.
- 2022 **Social Policy Association Annual Conference**, *Wealth distribution and household economies of scale: Do families matter for inequality*, Presentation, Swansea.
- 2022 **Wealth Seminar Series at the New York City University Stone Center**, *Housing policy and the distribution of wealth: A comparison of Austrian regions*, Invited Talk, New York.
- 2021 **HFCS Seminar Series at the Austrian National Bank**, *Housing policy and the distribution of wealth: A comparative perspective on public and private wealth*, Invited Talk, Vienna.
- 2021 **Social Policy Association Annual Conference**, *Why are subjective equivalence scales so low? Asset-bias in household needs measurement*, Presentation, Zoom. Cardiff
- 2020 **Chamber of Labour Young Economists Conference**, *Why are subjective equivalence scales so low? Asset-bias in household needs measurement*, Presentation, Vienna.
- 2020 **Annual ESPAnet Conference**, *Varieties of Vulnerability: Do Private and Public Safety Nets Compensate for Asset Poverty?*, Presentation, Zoom. Leuven
- 2020 **Austrian Economic Association Annual Meeting**, *Minding the Gap: How Welfare States Mediate the Dynamics Between Income and Consumption Distribution*, Presentation, Vienna.

- 2020 **Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory**, *Minding the Gap: How Welfare States Mediate the Dynamics Between Income and Consumption Distribution*, Poster Session, Vienna.
- 2017 **Austrian Economic Association Winter Workshop**, *The Controversy on European Labour Market Integration - Barking Up the Wrong Tree?*, Presentation, Vienna.

## Teaching

- 2022 Thesis supervision: Exploring the link between inherited wealth and legal changes in inheritance division.
- since 2020 Economic and Fiscal Policy, WU, undergraduate level, focus on social insurance, labour markets, inequality, and COVID-19.

## Employment biography

- 2020 **Principal Investigator**, *Research Institute Economics of Inequality (WU INEQ)*, Vienna.
- 2019 **Research Assistant**, *WU INEQ*, Vienna.
- since 2019 **Research and Teaching Associate**, *Department of Economics*, WU, Vienna.
- 2018 **Internship**, *European Parliament*, Brussels.
- 2017-2018 **Research Assistant**, *WU INEQ*, Vienna.
- 2017 **Internship**, *Oesterreichische Nationalbank - BAREV*, Vienna.
- 2017 **Research Internship**, *Marie Jahoda - Otto Bauer Institut*, Linz.

## Professional activities

- Member Institutional Review Board for Research Ethics at WU Vienna.
- Reviewer International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education, Empirica Journal of European Economics.
- Member European Economic Association, Social Policy Association.

## Policy

- since 2022 **Member and researcher**, *Foundation of European Progressive Studies Young Academics Network*, Brussels.
- since 2021 **Student representative for doctoral students**, WU, Vienna.
- 2018–2019 **Research Policy Officer**, *European Student Think Tank*, Brussels.
- 2017–2018 **Member of Education Policy Committee and Commissioner for Quality Assurance**, *Austrian National Union of Students federal body of Representatives (ÖH)*, Vienna.

## IT & Programming

R, Stan, EViews, STATA, ~~LaTeX~~LaTeX, Markdown, Git

## Languages

- German Mother Tongue.
- English C2.
- French Basic skills.
- Spanish Basic skills.