

Ferenc Brezo

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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, College of Arts & Sciences

2024–present

Candidate for Bachelor of Arts: Philosophy, Politics & Economics – Concentration in Public Policy & Governance, Minor in Economic Policy

GPA: 3.79/4.0

Clubs: Club Europe (Founding President), Penn Political Union (Executive Vice President), Penn Political Review (Staff Writer), Wharton Investment and Trading Group (Member), Habibi Fellowship (Business in the Middle East Study Program)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

European Parliament | *Trainee in the Foreign Affairs Committee, Security & Defense Subcommittee* Brussels, Belgium June – July 2025

- Conducted trade and economic impact analyses on EU enlargement, commerce, and defense initiatives, assessing implications for market competitiveness, regional growth, and geopolitical stability
- Drafted amendments for the *Readiness 2030* rearmament strategy, integrating fiscal and trade considerations into long-term defense planning
- Supported committee decision-making by preparing analytical summaries and voting recommendations on enlargement, defense, and the EU-US trade agreement

Prometheus Agency | *Communication Strategy Intern*, Budapest, Hungary

May – June 2025

- Designed and evaluated market outreach strategies using behavioral and demographic data; developed quantitative models for campaign performance forecasting, formulated the youth strategy of a national drug awareness campaign
- Contributed to SME consulting projects, creating communication and digital engagement frameworks to optimize market positioning

Council of Europe | *Youth Delegate of Slovakia*, Strasbourg, France / Hybrid

February 2023 – February 2024

- Led a research initiative on youth economic & political inclusion, benchmarking education, political, and labor outcomes across EU regions
- Co-authored policy recommendations to improve civic participation efficiency and youth funds resource allocation for local and regional governments
- Recognized as a Top 5 Delegate for an actionable national program promoting democratic engagement for minorities through measurable education metrics

LEADERSHIP & EXTRACURRICULARS

Penn Policy Consulting Group, University of Pennsylvania | *Global Co-Lead*, Philadelphia, PA

Oct. 2024 – present

- Leading a project with the World Bank on digital transformation strategies for emerging economies, modeling productivity and trade impacts of manufacturing digitalization
- Previously consulted with the U.S. Department of Commerce to reduce strategic trade exposure to China; developed a framework using fiscal incentives and supply-chain metrics to diversify key sectors by 2030

Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellowship, U.S. Department of State | *Fellow*, Lafayette, IN

June 2023 – July 2023

- Selected from 400+ applicants to represent Slovakia by the U.S. Department of State
- Participated in summer international relations, political science, and communication courses at Purdue University
- Designed initiatives to enhance U.S.–Slovak relations through education and startup investment cooperation

Alliance of Hungarian High School Students of Slovakia | *Founding President*, Kosice, Slovakia

May 2023 – June 2024

- Founded a nationally recognized education nonprofit; secured over \$12,000 in government and EU grants
- Conducted survey-based research on bilingual education funding; findings informed Ministry of Education reforms.
- Managed stakeholder engagement with policymakers and media, developing strategic proposals to improve education quality by curriculum and investment reforms

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Skills: Excel (advanced level), Microsoft Office suite (advanced level), R programming language (intermediate level)

Interests: Geopolitics, macroeconomics, behavioral economics, sustainable finance, European fiscal policy & competitiveness

Languages: English, Slovak, Hungarian, Czech (fluent); German (intermediate)

