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Research Interests

Primary	Public Economics
Secondary	Political Economy, Philosophy & Economics

Employment

2024-	**Research & Teaching Associate**, Department of Economics, University of Cologne	Cologne, Germany
2026–	**Guest Researcher**, MPI for Behavioral Economics	Bonn, Germany
2017–23	**Student Research & Teaching Assistant**, University of Münster	Münster, Germany

Education

2024-	**Ph.D. in Economics**, University of Cologne *Essays in Public Economics* Advisors: Felix Bierbrauer, Johannes Münster	Cologne, Germany
2023	**M.Sc. in Economics**, University of Münster Semester abroad at the University of Lisbon	Münster, Germany
2023	**M.A. in Philosophy**, University of Münster	Münster, Germany
2020	**B.A. in Economics & Philosophy**, University of Münster	Münster, Germany

Research

Work in Progress

"Bureaucracy and Social Transfer Systems" single authored.

"Evaluating Tax Systems when the Labor Force Changes" With Tom Brinker.

"Bargaining for International Public Goods: Implications for Optimal Income Taxation" single authored.

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

Admission to Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society (for top-20 % students of my economics master)

Student Scholarship from 'Stiftung der deutschen Wirtschaft', 12.750 €

Conferences, Presentations[1], and Summer Schools

2026: *Summer School on Markets and Governments: a Theoretical Appraisal (Rome)*, BCFM PhD Conference (Cologne), Internal Public Economics Meeting (Cologne) x2*

2025: *IMD Days (GRAPE, Warsaw)*, CEPR Public Economics Annual Symposium (Cologne)*, CESifo Area Conference on Public Economics (Munich)*, Internal Public Economics Meeting (Cologne)*

Teaching Experience

2026/27	**Economic Design (Bachelor)**, TA
2026	**Seminar on Matching & Market Design (Bachelor)**, Co-Instructor
2025	**Seminar on Scientific Methods for Economists (Bachelor)**, Instructor
2024-	**Thesis Supervision (Bachelor)**, 33x
2024-26	**Economic and Financial Policy (Bachelor)**, 2x, TA
2019-22	**Economic and Business Ethics (Bachelor)**, 3x, TA

Professional Service

Referee: *Journal of Public Economic Theory*

Administration: *Representative of Academic Staff on the Board of the Department of Economics, University of Cologne* (2026-); *Organization of the weekly internal Public Economics Meeting at the Department of Economics, University of Cologne* (2026-)

[1]The star in the superscript indicates attendance without presentation.