

Curriculum vitae

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Current position

University Assistant (Universitätsassistent, *Prae Doc*) at the Department of Economic and Social History at the University of Vienna (Duration of contract: 03/2020 – 09/2024)

Current research projects

- My PhD-project is about the location of the Viennese industry from 1880 to 1934. With the help of a city address book I construct a database where I can spatially trace businesses and investigate agglomeration effects and industrial districts. I developed automatic computer-assisted reading procedures and work with geodata processing software as well as with distance-based methods.
- I currently work on a paper where I investigate the development of the GmbH in Vienna. I make use of the firm database developed in my PhD-project and look especially at the period of the inflation after the First World War and its impact on Viennas business landscape.
- I currently work on a joint paper together with Mario Holzner (wiiw, Vienna) and Michael Huberman (University of Montreal) where we investigate the impact of Viennas social housing program on firm growth in the interwar period.

Education

10/2010 – 01/2014	Studies in Technical Physics - Vienna University of Technology Bachelor thesis in the field of microwave technique Degree: Bachelor of Science (BSc.)
03/2013 – 09/2016	Studies in Philosophy – University of Vienna Bachelor thesis in the field of Phenomenology / Husserl and Heidegger Degree: Bachelor of Arts (BA.)
03/2014 – 03/2019	Diploma studies in the teaching subjects History, Social Studies and Political Education and Physics Diploma thesis in the field of Economic History of Vienna with focus on the garment industry in the middle of the 19th century. Degree: Magister of Philosophy (Mag.phil.)
03/2017 – 03/2020	Studies in Ethics for school and profession Master thesis in the field business ethics Degree: Master of Arts (MA.)

Research experience

- Participation in the „HEDG Summer School: Historical Perspectives on Current Economics Issues: Big Data and Applications“ 2020 at the SDU in Odense (DNK)
- Participation in the „The XVI World Conference of Spatial Econometrics Association“ 2022 at the University of Warsaw (POL)
 - in the pre-congress workshop
 - as presenter during the conference
- Participation in the „ESTER Research Design Course“ 2022 hosted by the Lund University (SWE)
- Presenter at the New Researcher Poster Session during the „Economic History Society Annual Conference“ 2023 at the University of Warwick (GB)

Teaching experience

As University Assistant I am obligated to teach one course per Semester at the University of Vienna at the Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies to undergraduate students. I teach courses in the field of...

- economic and social history of Vienna and Austria.
- theory and history of historiography

Other skills

- Technology skills:
 - Programming skills in Python and R.
 - Software skills in GIS software (QGIS, ArcGIS), office applications (Pages, MS Word, MS Excel etc.) and Adobe Photoshop
- Languages: German (fluent), English (fluent), French (basics)