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Research Interests

Behavioural and Experimental Economics
Income and Wealth Inequality
Social Mobility

Education

PhD Political Economy	present
<i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	
Thesis: 'Essays on procedural fairness and distributive preferences'	
MA Political Economy	09/2019
<i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	
Final Grade: 81 (Distinction); 1 st in class and best dissertation prize	
Thesis: 'Does Social Mobility Impact Support for Redistribution? – A cross-country analysis' (grade: 83)	
BSc Political Economy	08/2017
<i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	
Final grade: 71 (First-Class Honours)	
Thesis: 'Do we choose the Difference Principle? – Preferences for redistribution under an experimental veil of ignorance' (grade: 74)	
Abitur	06/2013
<i>Evangelisches Gymnasium Frohnau, Berlin, Germany</i>	
Final grade: 1,1 (scale from 1,0 to 4,0 with 1,0 being the best possible grade)	

Working Papers

Experience of Social Mobility and Support for Redistribution: Beating the Odds or Blaming the System?

Non-selfish behaviour: Are social preferences or social norms revealed in distribution decisions? – with Shaun Hargreaves Heap and Konstantinos Matakos.

We cannot disagree forever! Reality polarization and citizens' post-pandemic fiscal adjustment preferences – with Shaun Hargreaves Heap, Christel Koop, Konstantinos Matakos and Asli Unan.

Why do (some) ordinary Americans support tax cuts for the rich? Evidence from a randomized survey experiment – with David Hope and Julian Limberg.

Good News for Whom? The Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine announcement reduced political trust – with Shaun Hargreaves Heap, Christel Koop, Konstantinos Matakos and Asli Unan.

Presentations (conferences and invited seminars)

2021: JHU-LSE Conference on Experimental Insights from Behavioural Economics on Covid-19, NYU-CESS Annual Experimental Political Science Conference, HEIRS ‘The Illusion of Merit’ Workshop, BEADS Seminar – University of Birmingham, NoBeC Early Career Researcher Talk, ESA Global Online Meeting, RExCon21 Conference on Social Preferences and Social Norms, Young Economist Meeting, ‘Memory, Narratives and Belief Formation’ Workshop, Applied Economist Webinar, FAIR NHH Seminar.

2020: Oxford-LSE Political Economy Graduate Conference, Social BRIDGES Conference on COVID-19, ESA Global Online Meeting, Young Economist Meeting (cancelled due to Covid-19), Institutions and Political Inequality Seminar – WZB.

Awards, Scholarships and external Funding

King’s Together Rapid COVID-19 call, King’s College London 2020
“Maximizing effectiveness of policy-based responses to Covid-19: Citizens’ preferences over multi-dimensional trade-offs” - £18,424.

CTSE, CESS Nuffield, Oxford University 2020
Funding for an experimental study with 800 subjects across four countries

Best MA Political Economy Dissertation, King’s College London 2020

Best overall performance on the MA Political Economy, King’s College London 2020

Templeton Foundation Grant, John Templeton Foundation 2019
“Do Distributive Choices reveal Social Preferences? The Role of Social Norms“, under the ‘Ideal of Self Governance’ project - £10,000; Role: PI.

LISS DTP 1+3 Scholarship, Economic and Social Research Council 2018

King’s Experience Research Award, King’s College London 2017
In recognition of the Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Haris Ahmed Award, King’s College London 2015
In recognition of an extraordinary contribution to the student body and KCLSU

Teaching Assistance

Behavioural Political Economy, King’s College London 2021

Political Economy of Inequality, King’s College London 2021

Intermediate Microeconomics, King’s College London 2020

Research Design, London School of Politics and Economics 2020/1

Professional Experience

Research Assistant <i>Centre for Experimental Social Sciences, Oxford, United Kingdom</i>	10/2019 – 10/2020
Research Assistant to Dr Yundan Gong <i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	04/2019 – 08/2019
Analyst <i>BlackRock, London, United Kingdom</i>	07/2017 – 09/2018
Undergraduate Research Fellow <i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	05/2017 – 07/2017
Research Assistant to Dr Christel Koop <i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	03/2017 – 07/2017

Activities and Service

Executive Committee Member <i>Public Policy Research Network, London, United Kingdom</i>	02/2021 – present
Postgraduate Research Student Representative <i>King's College London, London, United Kingdom</i>	11/2019 – present

Professional Affiliations

Economic Science Association (since 2020), Royal Economic Society (since 2021), Society for Judgement and Decision Making (since 2021).

Other Skills

Computer Skills: R, Stata, LaTeX, Z-tree, oTree, Python, Microsoft Office

Language Skills: German (native), English (fluent), French (basic)

References

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