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EDUCATION

DPhil (PhD), Economics, University of Oxford 2018–

- *Dissertation*: ‘Three Essays on Auctions’
- *Advisor*: Miguel Ballester

MPhil, Economics, University of Oxford (Distinction) 2016–18

- *Dissertation*: ‘Mohammed goes house-hunting: an experimental study of discrimination’
- *Advisor*: Johannes Abeler

BA, Philosophy, Politics and Economics, University of Oxford (First) 2013–16

- Ranked in top 3% of cohort

FIELDS

Behavioural economics, experimental economics, microeconomic theory

WORKING PAPERS

‘Going... going... wrong: a test of the level- k (and cognitive hierarchy) models of bidding behaviour’ (job market paper)

‘The non-linear effect of descriptive social norms’ (with Jesper Åkesson, Rena Conti, Robert Hahn and Robert Metcalfe)

‘The importance of being discrete: on the (in-)accuracy of continuous approximations in auction theory’ (with Carlos Gavidia-Calderon)

PUBLISHED PAPERS

‘Fatalism, Beliefs, and Behaviors During the COVID-19 Pandemic’ (with Jesper Åkesson, Sam Ashworth-Hayes, Robert Hahn and Robert Metcalfe). *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty* (forthcoming)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

‘Competitive equilibrium and the double auction’ (my third DPhil paper)

‘Race and redistribution’ (with Jesper Åkesson, Robert Hahn and Robert Metcalfe)

‘Learning how to bid’ (with Bernhard Kasberger)

‘A theory of social norms’ (with Roberto Rozzi)

‘An experimental study of discrimination’ (based on my MPhil thesis)

TEACHING/RESEARCH POSITIONS

Lecturer, St Hugh’s College, University of Oxford 2018–

- I teach ‘Introductory Microeconomics’ and ‘Microeconomics’ to 1st and 2nd year students
- I also conduct interviews for undergraduate admissions

- Research Associate, The Behaviouralist, London** *2019–*
- My work focuses on social norms and information provision
- Research Assistant, Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford** *2018–19*
- I assisted Mahreen Mahmud with her research on gender in developing countries
 - This involved conducting fieldwork in Kampala
- Research Intern, HM Treasury, Government Economic Service** *2015*
- I assisted the government with its consultation on savings policy by building models to investigate whether the country will save as much as it ‘should’
 - I found that most young people will actually ‘over-save’

ACADEMIC PRIZES

- Final Year Doctoral Bursary, University of Oxford** *2021–22*
- To fund doctoral research
- Atkinson Prize, Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford** *2019–22*
- To fund doctoral research over the course of 3 years
- Department of Economics Doctoral Bursary, University of Oxford** *2018–20*
- To fund doctoral research in behavioural game theory
- Walter Higgs Prize, Exeter College, University of Oxford** *2016*
- Awarded for achieving the highest average mark in philosophy
- Fitzgerald Prize, Exeter College, University of Oxford** *2016*
- Awarded for outstanding performance in final examinations
- IARU-Santander Scholarship, Yale University** *2015*
- A grant to fund study of contemporary political theory
- Waugh Scholarship, Exeter College, University of Oxford** *2014*
- Awarded for receiving a First in preliminary examinations

REFEREEING

Journal of Development Economics, Social Choice and Welfare, Behavioural Public Policy

TALKS

Transatlantic Theory Workshop (2021), SasCa PhD Conference (2021), Oligo Workshop (University of Maastricht, 2021), Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (2021), Student Microeconomic Theory Workshop (Oxford, 2020), Oligo Workshop (University of Maastricht, 2020), Student Microeconomic Theory Workshop (Oxford, 2019), Global Priorities Institute Workshop (Oxford, 2019), Gorman Workshop (Oxford, 2019)

CODING

Python, oTree, STATA, Mathematica, LaTeX

CITIZENSHIP

British, Austrian (expected)