JULIA FISCHER

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Austrian, 29 November 1997

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Political Economy and International Economics with a special interest in conflicts, foreign aid and geoeconomics

EDUCATION

2022–Present University of Lucerne

PhD Candidate in Economics

Chair of International Economics, Advisor: Manuel Oechslin

2025 Jan-Feb IAE/Barcelona School of Economics Visiting · hosted by Laura MAYORAL and Hannes MUELLER

2024 Sep-Dec CERGIC/ENS de Lyon Visiting · hosted by Mathieu Couttenier

2021-2022 Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

Research Master in Development

Economics

with honors · M2 Research track (French System)

Thesis: Back on track: Foreign Aid and Growth in Post-Conflict Locations,

Advisor: Lisa Chauvet

2020-2021 Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

MSc in Economics

with honors · *PSME program*

Thesis: Fighting for local stability: Which support contains conflicts, foreign aid

or peacekeeping missions?, Advisor: Lisa Chauvet

Vienna University of Economics and Business

BSc in Economics

Exchange · University of British Columbia · Jan-Apr 2019

2017-2022 University of Vienna

BA in Political Science

Exchange · Universidad de la Habana · Mar-Apr 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2022-Present University of Lucerne — Switzerland

Teaching Tutorial Macroeconomics I - bachelors level

Recent Topics in International Development Economics - masters level

Supervision of seminar papers

Vienna University of Economics and Business,

Institute of International Economics — Austria

Research Assistant Apr-Jul 2020 · Data Coder in R

Project: Political Instability and Multinational Corporations

2020 Economic Delegation of the Austrian Embassy

Ljubljana — Slovenia

Internship Jul 2020 · Business Intelligence and Business Development Services

research and analysis, database queries, drafting press articles, translations

RESEARCH

Working Papers	Growth in the Aftermath of War: Aid Effectiveness in Post-Conflict Locations, SINGLE AUTHORED
	Borders at Risk: The Impact of Russian Aggression on FDI $\ ^{\mbox{\tiny \mathbb{C}}}$, with Manuel Oechslin
Work in Progress	Consolidating Power in Fragile States: Evidence from Afghanistan's Poppy Ban, with Sydney A. Gordon
	UNDP Project - NTL Analysis on the Economic Consequences of Sudan Conflict 2023, WITH GIORGIA GIOVANNETTI AND TOMMASO PACETTI
	PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS
2025	Chalk & Talk Seminar IAE-BSE (Barcelona), Conference of the European Public Choice Society (Riga), Unilu Brown Bag Seminar, Annual Congress Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (Zurich), Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (Birmingham)
2024	IEE Brown Bag Seminar (Geneva), CERGIC Internal Seminar (Lyon), Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (Belfast), Conference of the European Public Choice Society (Vienna), Annual Congress Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (Lucerne), Lucerne PhD Research Seminar
2023	Royal Economic Society PhD Conference (Glasgow), Annual Conference of the Development Economics Network Switzerland (Bern), 13th ifo Workshop on Regional Economics (Dresden), Annual Meeting on the Political Economy of Aid (Dublin), 5th Advanced Economics Summer School (Spetses), Max Planck PolEcCon (Berlin), Lucerne PhD Research Seminar
2022	Lucerne PhD Research Seminar
	GRANTS, HONORS AND AWARDS
2024	Doc.Mobility Grant - Graduate Academy University of Lucerne (29.400 CHF)
2023	Award for the Best Graduate Paper - Annual Meeting on the Political Economy of Aid, Paper: Growth in the Aftermath of War: Aid Effectiveness in Post-Conflict Locations
2020 & 2022	Travel Grant from the Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences Academic Excellence Scholarship from the University of Vienna
2018	Academic Excellence Scholarship from the Vienna University of Economics and Business
2017-2018	Member of the Top League 13. cohort honors program, Vienna University of Economics and Business
	ADDITIONAL EDUCATION
2024	Development Economics, ENS de Lyon, Lecturer: Mathieu Couttenier, Sylvie Demurger
	Machine Learning for Economics, University of Bern, Lecturer: Costanza Naguib
	Research in Econometrics, University of Bern, Lecturer: Blaise Melly
2023	5th Summer School in Advanced Economics, University of Ioanninna and University of Piraeus, Lecturer: Jeffrey M. Wooldridge
	Max Planck Summer School on the Political Economy of Conflict and Redistribution, Lecturers: Lisa Hultman, Esteban Klor, Kai A. Konrad, Dan Kovenock, Laura Mayoral, Ronny Razin, Hannes Rusch

OTHER INFORMATION

advanced · R, Stata, LATeX intermediate · QGIS basic · PYTHON Programming Skills

Languages

German · Native
English · C2
French · B2
Spanish · A1

September 19, 2025