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Education

September 2007 - present	University of Mannheim PhD student in Economics, Graduate School of Economics and Social Sciences (supervisor: Gerard van den Berg)	Mannheim, Germany
August 2006 – April 2007	Kiel Institute for the World Economy Advanced Studies Program in International Economic Policy Research	Kiel, Germany
September 2001 – August 2006	Maastricht University Master in International Economic Studies grade pt. average: 8.4 (top 3%)	Maastricht, The Netherlands
September 2004 – June 2005	Institut d'Etudes Politiques (IEP)	Paris, France
September 1998 – July 1999	Asheville School, North Carolina	Asheville, USA

Research Experience

October 2009 – present	University of Mannheim Research assistant to Professor Gerard van den Berg	Mannheim, Germany
September 2008 - present	Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW) Research assistant, research network: “Non-cognitive skills: Acquisition and economic consequences”	Mannheim, Germany
September – December 2008 and February 2010	University of Chicago Research visit (team of Professor James Heckman)	Chicago, USA
May 2007 – August 2007	University of Chicago Research assistant to Professor James Heckman	Chicago, USA
October 2006 – April 2007	Kiel Institute for the World Economy Research assistant	Kiel, Germany

Teaching and Professional Experience

January 2006 – March 2006	Maastricht University Teaching assistant Course: Introduction to microeconomics, macroeconomics and international trade	Maastricht, The Netherlands
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Fall Semester 2010	University of Mannheim Teaching Assistant Course: Introduction to economics	Mannheim, Germany
July 2005 – September 2005	Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau Internship	Frankfurt, Germany
January 2005 – June 2005	The World Bank Student consulting workshop Project: “The Introduction of Tuition Fees in Tertiary Education”	Paris, France
July 2003 – August 2003	German Development Institute (DIE) Internship	Bonn, Germany

Fields of Interest

Labor Economics, Migration, Economics of Education, Applied Microeconometrics

Programming Skills

LaTeX, MATLAB, Stata, R

Presentations and Seminars

2nd NCS Conference, Konstanz (03-20-2009), Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Istanbul (04-24-2009), ZEW Summer Workshop for Young Economists (07-17-2009), FORSEM, WHU Vallendar (09-28-2009), CDSE Seminar, University of Mannheim (11-2-2009), Enter Jamboree, discussion, Toulouse School of Economics (2-5-2010), SOEP Workshop, WZB Berlin (06-30-2010), Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Glasgow (08-24-2010), Verein für Socialpolitik, Kiel (09-08-2010), 4th Noncognitive Skills Conference, London (10-22-2010)

Summer Schools

13-17 July, 2009	ZEW Summer Workshop for Young Economists
21-25 June, 2010	Barcelona Summer School
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Labor market outcomes (Prof. Robert Shimer) ▪ Determination of wages (Prof. Derek Neal)

Publications and Work in Progress

Come Back or Stay? Spend Here or There?, *International Migration*, 48 (5), 142–173.

Maintaining (Locus of) Control? Investigating the importance of Locus of Control for Education decisions and wages (with Rémi Piatek). Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) Discussion Paper No. 5289.

Lost in Paradise? Teacher labor market incentives and teacher human capital (with Friedhelm Pfeiffer)

Maternal Skills and Child Birth Weight: An Analysis of the Channels for Intergenerational Transmission of Inequality (with Gabriella Conti, James Heckman and Arianna Zanolini)

Languages

German (native), English (fluent), French (very good), Dutch (basic)

Scholarships and Grants

September 2007 - August 2008	PhD-Scholarship granted by the German Science Foundation
August 2006 - May 2007	DekaBank scholarship
September 2006 - present	E-fellows.net scholarship
September 2004 - June 2005	Erasmus grant
September 1998 - July 1999	ASSIST – American Secondary Schools for International Students and Teachers – scholarship