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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Glasgow *2026*–Present
Research Associate.

University of Toronto *2023–2026*
Postdoctoral Research Fellow.

EDUCATION

University of Virginia
Ph.D. in Politics. *2023*

London School of Economics and Political Science
MSc in International Political Economy. *2017*

University of Bologna
MA in International Relations. *2016*
BA in International Studies. *2013*

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International and Comparative Political Economy; International Relations; Financial Markets; Media and Markets; Business and Politics; Political Economy of Security; Computational Social Science; Quantitative Methods; Time Series.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Nones, N. and M. Scholten 2026. Fiscal Consolidation and Support for the Common Currency. **JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies** 64(3): 1089–1112.

Nones, N. 2026. European Identity and the Euro in Kosovo. **Nations & Nationalism** 32(2): 473–484.

Nones, N. 2026. The Dynamics of Negativity in Media Outlets: The Case of the Greek Sovereign Bond Crisis. **The British Journal of Politics and International Relations** 28(1): 353–372.

Nones, N. 2025. Do as I Say, Not as I Do? Economists Policymakers and Fiscal Consolidation. **European Journal of Political Economy** 90: 102754.

Manger, M. and N. Nones 2025. Trade and Exchange Rate Competition in East Asia. **International Organization** 79(3): 526–546.

Nones, N. 2024. Preferential Trade Agreements and Leaders' Business Experience. **International Studies Quarterly** 68(4): sqae129.

Nones, N. 2024. The Greek Crisis as a "Morality Tale"? An Empirical Assessment. **European Union Politics** 25(2): 291–312.

Nones, N. 2024. Political Independence Through Monetary Dependence? The Case of Montenegro. **New Political Economy** 29(1): 42–59.

Nones, N. 2023. Business Politicians and Fiscal Consolidation. **Business & Politics** 25(4): 495–516.

WORKING PAPERS (DRAFTS AVAILABLE)

"The Persistence of Media Tone in Economic News." (*Revise & Resubmit*).

"What allies buy—force posture, burden-sharing, and the composition of defence budgets." (with P. Pham) (*Revise & Resubmit*).

"Private Sector Debt, Politics, and Sovereign Default." (with M. Manger and B. Cormier) (Under Review).

"Leaders' Gender and Fiscal Policy." (Under Review).

"The Approval Costs of Austerity: Evidence from 52 Countries." (Under Review).

"Leaders' Gender and International Economic Cooperation." (Under Review).

"Grouping Acronyms as Heuristic Devices in Sovereign Bond Markets."(Under Review).

"Market Discipline and Moral Blame: Sovereign Spreads and the Moral Language of Debt in the Eurozone Crisis." (Under Review).

"The Deployment of Nuclear Weapons Abroad and Military Spending." (Under Review).

"Business Interests and International Migration." (with M. Scholten).

"Fiscal Plans and Popularity: Austerity and the Dynamics of Government Approval."

"The Deployment of US Troops and Military Spending." (with P. Pham).

COMMENTARIES, BLOG ENTRIES, AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Nones, N., and Scholten, M. (2025). Austerity and support for the euro. The JCMS Blog, 9 December 2025.

Nones, N. (2024). How the Greek crisis became a morality tale. LSE EUROPP blog, 20 March 2024.

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

- Institute for Humane Studies (IHS) Grant, 2026, $5,000.
- Institute for Humane Studies (IHS) Grant, 2025, $1,500.
- SPSA Prestage-Cook Travel Award, 2024, $300.
- ISA Travel Grant, 2024, $550.
- APSA Travel and Accessibility Grant, 2023, $150.
- Graduate Student International Political Economy Grant for Conference Travel, 2022, $500.
- Dumas Malone Graduate Research Fellowship, University of Virginia, 2022, approx. $12,000.
- Travel Funding, University of Virginia, 2022, $600.
- Albert Gallatin Fellowship, University of Virginia, 2021, approx. $12,000.
- Huskey Graduate Research Exhibition, University of Virginia, 2020, $500.
- Travel Funding, ISA-South Conference, Department of Politics, University of Virginia, 2019, $600.
- Fully funded Ph.D. Scholarship, Politics, University of Virginia, 2017–2022, approx. $23,000 per year.
- Full-year Overseas Scholarship for Graduate Studies, University of Bologna–University of California, 2014–2015.
- Erasmus Scholarship, University of Bologna–Catholic University of Leuven, 2014.

- Merit-based Master's tuition fee exemption, University of Bologna, 2013–2014.

SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2026: European Political Science Society (EPSS).

2025: American Political Science Association (APSA); Prairies Political Science Association (PPSA); Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA); International Studies Association (ISA); Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA).

2024: ISA-RIPE Pre-conference Workshop; ISA; Western Political Science Association (WPSA); MapleMeth III; Graduate Students International Political Economy Workshop (GSIPE).

2023: Mini-conference on the Concept of Economic Statecraft; APSA; Virtual International Political Economy Workshop (VIPE); GSIPE.

2022: MPSA; APSA; APSA-GSIPE Pre-conference Workshop; Reppy Graduate Conference, Cornell University; GSIPE; Lansing B. Lee/Bankard Seminar in Global Politics, University of Virginia.

2021: ISA; MPSA; APSA; GSIPE.

2020: PolMeth XXXVII; APSA; ISA West; ISA Midwest.

2019: ISA South.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record:

Quantitative Methods and Data Analysis, University of Toronto (Graduate) *2025*
International Political Economy, University of Virginia *2022*
Introduction to Political Economy, University of Virginia *2021*

Assistant:

Teaching: American Congress, Ethics and International Relations, Military Force and International Relations, Political Economy of the Welfare State, Introduction to International Relations *2018–2022*
Grader: Political Research with Quantitative Methods, Generalized Linear Models, Political Methodology *2019–2021*

Guest lectures:

"Data Visualization in R", University of British Columbia (Instructor: G. Poulakidas) *2024*
"Challenges to Liberalism in the EU and US", Carnegie Mellon University (Instructor: A. Katitas) *2023*
"The Political Economy of the Euro Currency", Carnegie Mellon University (Instructor: A. Katitas) *2022*
"Currency and Power since World War II", University of Virginia (Instructor: T. Sechser) *2018*

Invited Talks:

"Moral Content in Financial news via Automated Text Analysis", University of Massachusetts Amherst *2021*

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Co-Organizer: Pre-APSA Workshop "The Disrupted World: Politics and Economics in Transition" *2025*
Organizing Team Member: Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE) *2024–2025*
Editorial Assistant: the *American Journal of Political Science* *2020–2022*
Discussant and/or **Chair**: APSA (2026); CPSA (2025); GSIPE (2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021); ISA (2024, 2025); MPSA (2025); PPSA (2026); SPSA (2024); WPSA (2024).
Reviewer: *Journal of Politics*; *International Interactions* (2); *Business and Politics*; *Political Studies Review*; *PLOS ONE*; *Comparative Migration Studies*.

OTHER ACADEMIC-RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Contributor at International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD). *2025–2026*

- Contribute to an applied public-policy initiative analyzing how Canadian municipal finance and climate policy shape neighborhood development.
- Responsibilities include supporting data collection and analysis of municipal budgets and infrastructure data, reviewing Net Present Value assessments, and drafting sections of the final research report.

Project-based consulting experience at Interos (risk management company). *Summer 2020*

- Assessed and enhanced existing text-based metrics and data sources for risk management models.
- Directed the development of an Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) data dictionary to train Machine Learning models for risk assessment.

SUMMER/WINTER SCHOOLS AND ADDITIONAL TRAINING (CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE)

- Data Science Foundations Microcredential (Data Sciences Institute, University of Toronto). *2026*
- Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Certificate (University of Toronto) *2026*
- Machine Learning, AI, and Heterogeneous Effects (Mixtape Sessions Workshops) *2025*
- McCall MacBain Postdoctoral Scholars Leadership Certificate (McMaster University). *2024*
- Survey Experiments; Computational Analysis of Social Media (Universitat Pompeu Fabra).
- Survey Design; Political Text Analysis (Australian National University).
- Modelling Commodity Market Risk with Stata (Timberlake Consultants).
- Modeling Interactions and Non-Linearities; Mastering Logistic Models; Diff-in-Diff Methods; Introduction to Meta-Analysis; Causal Modeling with RDDs (Institute for Statistical and Data Science). *2023*
- Regression Discontinuity Design; Advanced Diff-in-Diff; Causal Inference II; Synthetic Controls: Methods and Practice (Mixtape Sessions Workshops)
- Shift-Share Instrumental Variables (Mixtape Sessions Workshops) *2022*
- Bayesian Econometrics I; Bayesian Econometrics II (Barcelona School of Economics). *2021*
- Bayesian Econometrics (Italian Econometric Association).
- Time Series II; Maximum Likelihood Estimation; Text Analysis (ICPSR, University of Michigan). *2020*
- Time Series I, Social Network Analysis I (ICPSR, University of Michigan). *2019*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association; Italian Econometric Association (2022–2024); Canadian Political Science Association; Midwest Political Science Association; International Studies Association; Quantitative Collaborative Graduate Fellow (University of Virginia, 2020–2023); Data Science Institute (University of Toronto).

LANGUAGES

Italian (native), English (fluent), French (beginner), Spanish (beginner).

PROGRAMMING/COMPUTER SKILLS

Stata, R, LaTeX, Python, Unix shell, Git/GitHub, SQL (beginner), MATLAB (beginner).

PRIMARY REFERENCES

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