

Educational Background

Tertiary Education

- since 2017** **Stockholm University, Sweden**
Department of Economic History
Major: International Relations (PhD candidate)
- 2015 - 2017** **Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan**
Major: Global Studies (MA)
Cumulative GPA: 4.0/4.0

Thesis: *“The Changing Practice of Sovereignty”* (Supervisor: Tadashi Anno)
This work situates the annexation of Crimea in 2014 in a larger historical context by tracing the evolution of the territorial integrity norm and identifying recent changes in the institution of sovereignty.
- 2011 - 2015** **Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU), Beppu, Japan**
Major: International Relations & Peace Studies (BSSc)
Cumulative GPA: 3.93/4.0

Thesis: *“A Proposal for the empirical Measurement of international Norms”*
(Supervisor: Ching-Chang Chen)
This work identifies parameters for the measurement of norms which can then be used to rank norms based on their relative strength.
 - Highest academic merit graduate
 - Outstanding thesis award
- 2010 - 2011** **Free University Berlin, Germany**
Major: Political Science (BA) (1 Semester)

Online Courses

- April 2017** **“Terrorism and counterterrorism: Comparing theory and practice” by Leiden University**
A six-week non-credited online course
Passed with distinction
- July 2014** **“Understanding Europe: Why it matters and what it can offer you” by HEC Paris**
A six-week non-credited online course
Passed with distinction

Work Experience

- Associate Fellow** **since Aug. 2017**
Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI), Stockholm
- Research Assistant** **Apr. – June 2015**
German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ), Tokyo

- **Co-author** with Torsten Weber of “*Clio Guide Japan*” [German], 2016 [\[Link\]](#)

Research Assistant

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Beppu

**Sept. 2013 –
Mar. 2015**

- **Copyeditor** for “*The North Korea Crisis and Regional Responses*” (Vyas, Chen & Roy, 2015, East-West Center Publishing) [\[Link\]](#)
- Provided research assistance for Ching-Chang Chen’s chapter in the same volume

Teaching Assistant

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Beppu

**Apr. 2012 –
Jul. 2014**

- Taught/assisted with eleven courses in four different subjects

Notable Scholarships

Moritani Scholarship

2015 - 2017

Provided by the Moritani Scholarship Foundation

A highly remunerated scholarship awarded to students in excellent academic standing with high proficiency in Japanese.

Academic Merit Scholarship

2013

Provided by Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

A scholarship awarded to the student with the highest GPA for any given semester within a college.

Nikaido Scholarship for International Students

2013 – 2014

Provided by Nikaido-Shuzo Inc.

A scholarship that supports international students who actively engage in local exchange and support local development.

Tuition Reduction Scholarship (80%)

2011 – 2015

Provided by Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

A scholarship that is provided based on academic merit upon entrance to the university.

Language Skills

German **Native speaker**

English **Bilingual Proficiency**

TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) from August 2014
Score: 119 / 120 (iBT)

Japanese **Professional Working Proficiency**

JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) from July 2014
Level: N1 (Score: 119 / 180)

Also: Basic knowledge of **Spanish, French** and **Korean**.