

# NICLAS KNECHT

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Primary:** Behavioural Economics, Welfare Economics.

**Secondary:** Social Psychology, Experimental Economics, Happiness Economics, Neuroeconomics.

## DOCTORAL STUDIES

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**2023 - ongoing — Bordeaux School of Economics (BSE), Université de Bordeaux**

Four Essays in Behavioural Economics.

Thesis advisor: Prof. Olivier Bargain.

Research funding: Grand programme de recherche 'Understanding Human Well-being and Behaviour for better Policies & Societies (HOPE)' (full scholarship).

## PRE-DOCTORAL STUDIES

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**2019 - 2022 — MSc in Economics, University of Mannheim.** *Very good.*

**2015 - 2018 — BA in Economics, University of Cambridge.** *Upper Second-Class Honours.*

## WORKING PAPERS

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**How Everyday Threats Undermine Trust and Hope: Experimental Evidence** (*submitted*)

(with Prof. Olivier Bargain and Mael Astruc-Le Souder)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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**The effect of terror on tourism: A synthetic control method application**

**The effect of terror on political outcomes and the preference for security**

(with Prof. Alpaslan Akay and Prof. Olivier Bargain)

**Understanding the neurological similarities between being threatened and being betrayed**

(with Achille Gillig)

**Eliciting Authentic Preferences through Collective Deliberation**

(with Prof. Marc Fleurbaey and Prof. Olivier Bargain)

**Aversion to health inequality**

(with Prof. Jérôme Wittwer)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**2023 — Economics Intern, E.CA Economics (Berlin, Germany)**

**2019 - 2020 — Research Assistant, Center for Evaluation and Development (Mannheim, Germany)**

**2019 — Research Intern, German Council of Economic Experts (Wiesbaden, Germany)**

## TEACHING

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**2024 - ongoing — Econometrics, Teaching Assistant to Prof. Valerio Sterzi, Graduate level, Université de Bordeaux**

**2024 - ongoing** — Econometrics of causality, Teaching Assistant to Prof. Tanguy Bernard, Graduate level, Université de Bordeaux

**2020 - 2022** — Microeconomics A, Teaching Assistant to Prof. Thomas Tröger, Undergraduate Program in Economics, University of Mannheim.

**2020 - 2022** — Microeconomics B, Teaching Assistant to Dr. Alexander Donges, Undergraduate Program in Economics, University of Mannheim.

## CONFERENCES

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**2025** — 2nd Welfare & Policy Conference (Bordeaux, France), IMEBESS (Valencia, Spain)

## SUMMER SCHOOLS

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**2025** — Canazei Winter School - 18th Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei, Italy), TOChina (Turin, Italy)

**2024** — Bordeaux Summer School - Introduction to Experimental Neuroscience (Bordeaux, France)