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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Recent MRes graduate focusing on political psychology and human-technology interaction. Methodological competences in experimental design, data analysis and scientific writing. Interested in addressing societal issues such as polarization and extremism through understanding cognitive processes and information environments.

EXPERIENCE

University of Aberdeen

Research Assistant

Aug 2025 - Present • UK

Work in the human-AI interaction research group under the supervision of Dr. Kevin Allan.

- Analysing, transforming and visualizing data
- Reviewing literature

University of Aberdeen

MRes Project

Sep 2024 - Aug 2025 • UK

End-to-end execution of a one-year research project on human-AI interaction with a focus on political attitudes and the influence LLMs can have on them.

- Creation of experimental design
- Literature review on human-AI interaction, persuasion, political ideology and polarization
- Prompt engineering of LLMs
- Running an online human-AI interaction experiment via Testable Minds and custom applications
- Formatting, cleaning, visualising and analysing (mixed effects model) experimental data
- Political classification of conversational data via LLMs (using open source models)

University of Aberdeen

Undergraduate Thesis

Sep 2023 - Mar 2024 • UK

Thesis on the interaction between social influence of LLMs and people's political orientation on information accuracy ratings.

- Literature review on Human-AI interaction, persuasion and misinformation
 - Conducting an online experiment in Testable
 - Analysing and visualising data in SPSS and R (ANOVA)
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EDUCATION

MRes Psychology

University of Aberdeen • UK

Sep 2024 - Sep 2025

- Distinction

MA Psychology

University of Aberdeen • UK

Sep 2021 - May 2024

- First-class Honours
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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Stuttgart University Consulting Initiative

Head of Cooperations & Network / Consultant / Trainee Mentor / Alumnus

May 2021 - Present • Campus Konzept Stuttgart

- Organised workshops with industry partners (e.g., EY, KPMG, Porsche Consulting) [08.2022-08.2023]
- Organised alumni events [08.2022-08.2023]
- Managed international partnerships and events [08.2022-08.2023]
- Worked on different client projects [05.2021-09.2025]
- Mentoring current board members [09.2025-Present]

University of Aberdeen Politics & International Relations Society

Member

Sep 2024 - Aug 2025 • University of Aberdeen

- Active member of Politics & International Relations Society

UoA Tennis

2nd Team Player

Sep 2021 - Aug 2025 • University of Aberdeen

- Competed on 2nd Team for University of Aberdeen Men's Tennis

SKILLS

Software

R • Python • Qualtrics • Prolific • Testable • Quarto • Git/GitHub • Microsoft Office • Project Management

Methodological Competencies

Research Ethics • Literature Review • Statistics • Experimental Design • Communication • Scientific Writing

Soft Skills

Presentation • Organisation • Team Work

Languages

German: Native • English: C2-Native • French: A2-B1
