

Sam Wrighton BA MSc

EDUCATION

- October 2017 - Present** **University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom**
DPhil in International Relations
I am researching the political impact of Russian and Hungarian extra-territorial naturalisation policies specifically and generally exploring the effects of dual citizenship on sovereignty and territorial jurisdiction.
- September 2015 – August 2016** **University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands**
MSc Political Science – International Relations
Graduated (magna) cum laude
Thesis: *'The Annexations of Populations; Russian Pasportizatsiya Strategies in Abkhazia, South Ossetia and Crimea'*, nominated for UvA thesis prize and Uwe Beker Prize
Grade Average: 8.6
- September 2012 – August 2015** **Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands**
Bachelor of International Studies, Specialising in Latin America and Spanish
Grade Average: 8.2
- September 2014 – January 2015** **Universidad de Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain**
Exchange semester abroad undertaking courses in International Relations BSc
Grade Average: 9.3
- July 2013 & August 2016** **Centro de Idiomas, Universidad de Valencia, Valencia, Spain**
Curso intensivo de español
- January 2012** **International House, London, United Kingdom**
Cambridge English Language Teaching for Adults award (CELTA)
- February - June 2011** **Sorbonne University, Paris VII, Paris, France**
Cours de la langue et cultural Française

EMPLOYMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- November 2016 - Present** **Junior Researcher**
Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (AISSR), University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

I was employed by the university to conduct research into the extra-territorial naturalisation policies of Hungary in Serbia and Slovakia.
- June 2013 August 2014** **University Teaching Assistant**
Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands

I was responsible for the handling of 1st year students' administration and liaising with professors, lecturers and university administrative staff to facilitate course implementation. I organised a two week long 'areas fair', attended by 350 students where 16 professors representing their respective regions of specialisation degree programme presented the details of their region to the students.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

July 2018

Authoritarian Practices Beyond National Regimes

University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

I presented a paper entitled: *'Hungarian extra-territorial naturalisations in Serbia and Slovakia; patronage facilitated gerrymandering and vote buying'* within the session, *'Authoritarianism and Mobility: Diasporas'*

2004

Global Young Leaders Conference

George Washington University, Washington D.C, USA; New York University, New York, USA

I was invited to attend the Global Young Leaders Conference and presented a paper at the UN headquarters in New York. I still remain an active alumni member of this organisation.

AWARDS

2016

My master's thesis was shortlisted for two awards: The University of Amsterdam's Uwe Beker Prize thesis award and the Dutch Political Science Association (NKWP)'s Daniel Heinsius thesis award, both in 2016.

PUBLICATIONS

Wrighton, Sam. "Authoritarian regime stabilization through legitimation, popular co-optation, and exclusion: Russian passportization strategies in Crimea." *Globalizations* 15, no. 2 (2018): 283-300.

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LANGUAGES

Dutch: Beginners (A2)
French: Beginners (A2)
Spanish: Advanced Intermediate (B2)