

# Bénédicte Droz

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Experimental and Behavioral Economics, Environmental Economics, Gender Economics and LGBTQ+ Economics

## EDUCATION

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**Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Higher Educ. and Educ. Technology**, University of Fribourg 2024-2025  
**Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics**, Gerzensee 2022-2023  
**Master in Economics**, University of Fribourg 2018-2020

- Additional 30 ECTS in Law, University of Fribourg 2019-2020

**Bachelor in Economics**, University of Fribourg 2014-2018

- Semester abroad, Universidad CEU San Pablo, Madrid 2016

## PROFESSIONAL/ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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**University of Fribourg** Fribourg, Switzerland  
*PhD candidate in Economics* September 2021 — Present

- Appetite for Ignorance: Does eating meat cause information avoidance about its harms?  
with Berno Buechel, Mónica Capra, Xi Chen, Anis Nassar, Seong Gyu Park, Jin Xu, Shanshan Zhang  
and Joshua Tasoff
- From Pledge to Plate: Investigating the Effects of a Temporary Meat Reduction Initiative
- What Can Sexual Orientation Reveal About the Gender Gap in Confidence?

**Department of Home Affairs** Berne, Switzerland  
*Intern at the General Secretariat* 2020 — 2021

**University of Fribourg** Fribourg and Bern, Switzerland  
*Research and Teaching Assistant* 2016 — 2019

- Assisting the chair of Prof. Dr. Berno Buechel in different tasks (i.e. correcting exams) - Chair of Microeconomics
- Collaborating on a research project for Prof. Dr. Martin Huber and Prof. Dr. Ana Fernandes - Chair of Econometrics and BFH
- Tutorials in statistics for Prof. Dr. Christoph Leuenberger - Chair of Statistics
- Data collection for Prof. Dr. Mark Schelker - Chair of Public Economics

## PUBLICATIONS/WORKING PAPERS

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- Bénédicte Droz, Berno Buechel, Mónica Capra, Xi Chen, Anis Nassar, Seong Gyu Park, Jin Xu, Shanshan Zhang, and Joshua Tasoff. Appetite for Ignorance: Does eating meat cause information avoidance about its harms?  
**European Economic Review**, 175: 105013, 2025. **Link to the Paper**
- From Pledge to Plate: Investigating the Effects of a Temporary Meat Reduction Initiative
- What Can Sexual Orientation Reveal About the Gender Gap in Confidence?

## TEACHING - TUTORIALS

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### Master's Courses

- Advanced Microeconomics
- Markets and Strategies (in German)
- Network Science and Economics
- Digital Economy

### Additional Courses

- SPSS Workshop
- Economics Intellectual Tool for the Swiss Study Foundation (co-directing a 2-day workshop for non-economists)

### Bachelor's Courses

- Microeconomics I (in German)
- Law and Economics (in German)
- Statistics I (in German)

## PRESENTATIONS

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<b>AEA Economics of LGBTQ+ Individuals Virtual Seminar Series</b> , Online	2025
<b>RSG Doctoral Conference</b> , Dortmund, Germany	
<b>EEA Conference</b> , Rotterdam, Holland	2024
<b>Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics</b> , Luzern, Switzerland	
<b>Research Seminar</b> , Neuchâtel, Switzerland	
<b>Global Justice Economics Seminar</b> , Fribourg, Switzerland	
<b>Zähringen Behavioral and Experimental Economics Seminar</b> , Bern, Switzerland	
<b>PhD Seminar</b> , Fribourg, Switzerland	2022
<b>CUSO Behavioral and Experimental Economics Research Seminar</b> , Lausanne, Switzerland	

## AWARDS/GRANTS

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<b>Grant (8000 CHF) from the SBS Fd.</b> for a one-month stay at the University of Michigan (Christine Exley) and a 2-week stay in Toulouse School of Economics (Nicolas Treich)	2025
<b>Grant (3000 CHF) from the SES Fd.</b> for the project on sexual orientation minority gaps	2024
<b>Grant (1000 CHF) from the Stonewall Fd.</b> for the project on sexual orientation minority gaps	
<b>Grant (2000 CHF) from the SNB Fund</b> for the project on temporarily reducing meat consumption	2023
<b>Award (3000 CHF) from the Vincent Merkle Fd.</b> for academic results	2019
<b>Member of the Swiss Study Foundation</b>	2013-2024

## OTHER EXPERIENCES

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<b>Basketball Head Coach (J+S Certification)</b> since 2011	Fribourg, Switzerland
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coaching U9, U10, U12, U16 and 3rd league</li> </ul>	
<b>Mathematics Teacher</b> 2015-2016	Fribourg, Switzerland
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching maths at the EPAI ("école professionnelle artisanale et industrielle") for German/French speaking apprentices</li> </ul>	

## LANGUAGES

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- **French:** Native
- **English:** Certificate of Proficiency in English C2
- **German:** Prüfung Goethe C2
- **Spanish and Italian:** Good understanding B1

## SKILLS

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- **Programming:** Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, R
- **Soft Skills:** Critical thinking, Dedication, Reliability

## REFERENCES

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