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Education

WU Vienna University of Economics and Business , Austria Ph.D. in Economics & Social Sciences (Major: Public Management) Dissertation: <i>Navigating the Complexities of Collaborative Governance</i>	2026 (expected)
Geneva Graduate Institute , Switzerland Master in International Affairs (M.I.A.)	2019
University of Vienna , Austria B.A. in Political Science Exchange Semester, University of Melbourne, Australia (2015–2016)	2017

Research and Teaching Interests

Primary Interests: Public Management, Public Administration
Secondary Interests: Collaborative Governance, Accountability, Sector Bias, International Organizations

Manuscripts Under Review

* *Drafts available upon request*

[1] **Samuel, A. L.**, Dinhof, K., Willems, J. “Citizen Perspectives on Livability: Exploring Tensions Through Stakeholder Salience Theory”. (*First author*)

- *Revising for resubmission at Urban Studies*

[2] **Samuel, A. L.**, Feeney, M. K., Willems, J. “Who Is Accountable? How Citizens Attribute Success and Failure in Cross-Sector Collaborations”. (*First author*)

- *Revising for resubmission at Public Administration*

Working Papers

* *Drafts available upon request*

[1] **Samuel, A. L.**, “Unpacking Failure: A Mixed Method Analysis of the Institutional, Governance, and Political Barriers in Public-Private Partnerships”. (*Single-authored*)

- *Preparing for submission to Public Administration Review*

Work in Progress

[1] “Changing Sectors, Changing Perceptions: How Organizational Identity Shapes Citizen View”

- Developing theoretical framework

[2] “Top-Down, Bottom-Up, and Stuck in the Middle: Vertical Coordination in Rural India”

- Planning stage; extension of single-authored dissertation paper on Public-Private Partnership (PPPs)

[3] “Popularity as a Signal: Implications for Cross-Sector Collaboration”

- Developing hypotheses

Other Publications (not peer-reviewed)

[1] Knassmüller, M., **Samuel, A. L.**, Willems, J. (2023). “[Strengthening the Resilience of the Public Administrations After COVID-19 with the Common Assessment Framework. Case Study of the Vienna Department of Women’s Affairs \(MA 57\)](#)”. *OECD Policy Report*.

Research Presentations & Conferences

- “Unpacking Failure: A Mixed-Method Analysis of Institutional, Governance, and Political Barriers in Public-Private Partnerships”, International Conference on Public Policy, Chiang Mai, Thailand, July 2025.
- “Unpacking Failure: A Mixed-Method Analysis of Institutional, Governance, and Political Barriers in Public-Private Partnerships”, Public Management and Research Conference, Seoul, South Korea, June 2025.
- “Citizen Voices in the City: A Stakeholder Salience Approach to Urban Governance”, Lien International Conference on Good Governance, Singapore, August 2023.
- “Blame and Praise: Are Sectors Perceived Differently When It Comes to Failure and Success”, Public Management and Research Conference, Utrecht, the Netherlands, June 2023.
- “Who Contributes to Successful Urban Governance? Empirical Evidence from the Most Livable City in the World” (presented by co-author), Academy of Management Conference, Seattle, USA, August 2022.
- “Who Contributes to Successful Urban Governance? Empirical Evidence from the Most Livable City in the World”, Public Management and Research Conference, Phoenix, USA, May 2022.
- “Wien – Die lebenswerteste Stadt der Welt: Wer ist dafür verantwortlich und wer darf mitgestalten?”, WU Anniversary Fund of the City of Vienna Network Meeting, Vienna, Austria, October 2021.
- “The Influence of Motivated Reasoning and Issue Framing Effects on Public Perception of Terrorists – An Experimental Approach”, Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Public Administration, Governance, and Policy, Vienna, Austria, October 2021.

Teaching Experience

Singapore Management University

Fall 2023 COR-PPPM 1311 Collaborative Governance, Guest Lecturer (Undergraduate, 1 session)

WU Vienna

Spring 2022 Public Management and Specific Policy Fields (Undergraduate)

Fall 2021 Public Management and Specific Policy Fields (Undergraduate)

Grants and Awards

Mobility Grant for Short International Programs, WU Vienna, €2,000	2023
Career Program for Women in Research, WU Vienna	2022
Merit Scholarship (Ph.D. coursephase), WU Vienna, €750	2021, 2022
WU Jubilee Fund – Research Grant , City of Vienna, €16,900	2021

Academic Work Experience

Research Affiliate (Department of Management), WU Vienna	2021 – present
Ph.D. Research & Teaching Associate (Department of Management), WU Vienna	2021 – 2022
Research Assistant, Association for Inclusive Peace Geneva	2018

Non-Academic Work Experience

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| Risk and Client Management Specialist, Marsh and McLennan, Vienna | 2020–2021 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducted political and regulatory risk assessments | |
| Political Advisor, Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations, New York & Geneva | 2019 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covered UN Security Council sessions on int peace and security issues• Prepared reports to support Slovakia's position• Covered the Fifth Committee on UN budgetary and financial matters | |

Memberships

Public Management and Research Association
International Research Society for Public Management
International Public Policy Association
Academy of Management

Other skills

Programming & Tools: R, Stata, L^AT_EX, NVivo, ATLAS.ti
Languages: Mandarin (native), German (native), Slovak (fluent), English (fluent), French (advanced, EU C1 level), Russian (elementary proficiency)
Interests: Meditation, Yoga (certified instructor, 200-hour training)

References

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