



Chayenne Smeets

Junior Researcher

INTRODUCTION

I have a varied educational background which makes me a European professional as well as a social protection specialist. I am currently involved with research projects focusing on education.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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LANGUAGES

- Dutch: Mother tongue
- English: C1 (IELTS)
- French: B2 (DELF)
- German: A2
- Spanish: A1

SKILLS

- Public speaking
- Negotiation skills
- Presentation skills
- Project management
- Microsoft Office
- Stata17, SPSS

WORK EXPERIENCE

Junior Researcher (July 2022 - Ongoing)

Research Centre for Education and the Labour Market (ROA) | School of Business and Economics, Maastricht University

- Contributing to several research projects that mainly focus on Dutch primary education
- Researching the effect of internationalisation in the classroom at Maastricht University
- Evaluating the impact of a new education system at a secondary school

Student Assistent (May 2021 - June 2022)

Research Centre for Education and the Labour Market (ROA) | School of Business and Economics, Maastricht University

- Assisting researchers across several projects
- Contributing to academic papers
- Working with big datasets (SPSS & STATA)

President (October 2020 - March 2021)

Demos Study Association, UNU-MERIT & Maastricht University

- Being the representative of DEMOS
- Chairing the Board meetings
- Being the official spokesperson of DEMOS
- Member of the Alumni Committee and Education Programme Committee
- Setting up a Podcast to give MPP students a voice
- Setting up a Well-being Committee to reassure that all MPP students remain healthy (both physically and mentally)
- Representing the Maastricht School of Governance at the Master's Open day

Front Office Representative (September 2019 - April 2021)

Student Service Center, Maastricht University

- Answering questions of (prospective) students via live chat, phone call or at the Front desk

Member of the Permanent Delegation (September 2019 - June 2020)

United Nations Student Associations (UNSA) Maastricht

- Attending Model United Nations
- Negotiating, debating and public speaking

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Honourable Mention**, February 2020, PragueMUN, for representing Colombia in UN Women
- **Winner International Law Game**, December 2016, Businet, Sittard
- **Winner International Week**, January 2016, Zuyd University of Applied Sciences, Maastricht

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Member of Curriculum Committee (February 2018 - February 2019)

Zuyd University of Applied Sciences

- Representing students
- Contributing to the future curriculum of European Studies
- Having meetings with teachers

Member of Study Programme Committee (September 2015 - July 2017)

Zuyd University of Applied Sciences

- Representing students
- Advocating wants&needs of students
- Mediating between students and teachers
- Contributing new ideas to improve European Studies
- Holding meetings with teachers and students

EDUCATION

MSc Public Policy and Human Development (September 2020 - June 2022)

Maastricht University & UNU-MERIT

Substantive courses: Public Policy, Public Economics & Public Policy Analysis

Skills courses: Introduction to Data Science & Statistics, Regression Analysis

Specialization courses: The Global Social Challenge: Beyond Poverty & Inequality, Understanding Social Protection, Quantitative Techniques for Social Protection, Financing Social Protection

Master thesis: The educational performance of Ghanaian Children in Transnational Families (quantitative research)

Pre-master European Studies (September 2019 - July 2020)

Maastricht University

EU: The idea of Europe, Great Expectations, Comparative Politics and Government, External Relations of the EU

Research: Back to the Sources, Research Methods, Area Studies

Bachelor Thesis: The Role of Lobbying in Formulating the European Green Deal: Farm to Fork Strategy

European Studies (September 2015 - July 2019)

Zuyd University of Applied Sciences

General: English, French, Spanish & Research Methods and Communication

Knowledge: European Law & Politics, Comparative Constitutional Law, International Relations, Public Affairs, Cultural Diplomacy, Marketing, Finance & Economics

Elective: German

Exchange: Madrid (see below)

Internship: Project Management & Social Media @ Equine Support International

International Relations (September 2017 - December 2017)

Universidad Europea de Madrid (Erasmus Exchange)

International Conflicts of Law, International Terrorism & Organized Crime, Global Economy & Foreign Trade and Current Affairs Observatory