

WOLFGANG ALSCHNER - CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFILE

I combine international economic law expertise and big data science to conduct innovative research on international law. At the intersection of legal and computer science, my work strives to assist policymakers, researchers and legal practitioners to make sense of the increasingly complex structures of law and render legal analysis scalable. My articles have been published in leading journals such as the Yale Journal of International Law, the European Journal of International Law and the Journal of Empirical Legal Studies. I am also the founder of the educational portal *Data Science For Lawyers* (www.datascienceforlawyers.org) to train tomorrow's legal scholars and of the legal analytics website www.mappinginvestmenttreaties.com.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| University of Ottawa
Ottawa, Canada
05/2020 – present | Associate Professor (tenured) , Common Law Section, Faculty of Law;
Cross-appointment with the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Director of the uOttawa Legal Technology Lab▪ Faculty member of the Centre for Law, Technology and Society▪ Teaching international economic law and data science for lawyers in French and English |
| University of Ottawa
Ottawa, Canada
01/2017 – 05/2020 | Assistant Professor , Common Law Section, Faculty of Law; Cross-appointment with the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Teaching international economic law and data science for lawyers in French and English |
| Graduate Institute /
World Trade Institute

Geneva/Bern, Switzerland
09/2015 – 12/2016 | Post-Doctoral Research Fellow (Geneva 50%/ Bern 50%) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lead researcher in the SNF Project “Convergence versus Divergence? Text-as-data and Network Analysis of International Economic Law Treaties and Tribunals”▪ Principal member of the SNIS Project “Diffusion of International Law: A Textual Analysis of International Investment Agreements”▪ Lecturer WTI and Graduate Institute Summer Schools |
| United Nations

Geneva, Switzerland
10/2010 – 06/2013 | Consultant in International Investment Agreement (IIA) Section of UNCTAD (part-time) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Contributing to the World Investment Reports 2011, 2012 and 2013 as well as various other UNCTAD publications▪ Project manager for IIA mapping and website project |

EDUCATION

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| Graduate Institute

Geneva, Switzerland
09/2011 – 09/2015 | PhD in International Law (Grade: <i>summa cum laude avec félicitations du jury</i>)

Thesis: “State-Driven Change in International Investment Law and Its (Uncertain) Impact on Investor-State Arbitration: An Empirical Big Data Analysis” (supervisor Joost Pauwelyn)

<i>Awarded with the Prix de l'Association des Anciens de l'IHEID</i> |
| Stanford Law School

Stanford, California
09/2014 – 06/2015 | JSM, Stanford Program in International Legal Studies (SPILS)

Thesis: “Understanding the Impact of Investment Arbitration on the Changing Content of Investment Treaties.” (supervisor Alan Sykes) |

University of London 09/2011 – 08/2014	LLB (Hons. 2.1) in the law of England and Wales Thesis: “The Liability of Public Authorities under Negligence for Pure Economic Loss”
Graduate Institute Geneva, Switzerland 09/2009 – 09/2011	Master in International Affairs Interdisciplinary Thesis: “Mutually Agreed Solutions in the WTO System” (supervisors Joost Pauwelyn and Manfred Elsig)
University Dresden Dresden, Germany 10/2006 – 08/2009	Bachelor in International Relations Interdisciplinary Thesis: “The Economic Effects of Bilateral Investment Agreements” (supervisor Udo Broll) Semester abroad at the Faculty of Economics, Université Saint-Joseph (Beirut, Lebanon) 09/2008 - 01/2009

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

University of St. Gallen Spring Semester 2021	Visiting Professor , School of Economics and Political Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching the course “The Data Science of International Law” in the International Affairs Master program
Australian National University 01/2020 – 12/2020	Visiting Fellow , Australian National University (remote due to Covid-19) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research collaboration with Professor Anthea Roberts, School of Regulation and Global Governance (RegNet)
Journal of International Economic Law 02/2021 – present	Editorial Board Member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting journal priorities, review of articles, selection of prize winners
Institute for Transnational Arbitration 05/2020 – present	Member of the Academic Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrating academic insight into the policy and practice of international arbitration through conferences, lectures, blog posts

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

Member of the California State Bar

SELECTED ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Academic Websites

- www.wti.edit.org: Database for the search and analysis of international investment treaties.
- www.datascienceforlawyers.org: Educational website for lawyers to acquire data science skills in R
- www.mappinginvestmenttreaties.com: Interactive web-based tool for investment law practitioners and stakeholders to investigate the content of bilateral investment treaties (with Dmitriy Skougarevskiy)

Peer Review for Academic Journals

Artificial Intelligence and Law, Applied Network Science, Journal of International Economic Law, Journal of International Dispute Settlement, Journal of World Trade and Investment, World Trade Review, ICSID Review - Foreign Investment Law Journal, Journal of Southeast Asian Economies, Melbourne Journal of International Law, New Zealand Yearbook of International Law, McGill Journal of Dispute Resolution, Asper Review of International Business and Trade Law, Review of International Political Economy.

Graduate Student Supervision

9 PhD Students (3 as supervisor, 6 as committee member)

8 LLM Students (8 as supervisor)

AWARDS AND HONORS

Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Ottawa, 2018

Prize for Best PhD Thesis awarded by the IHEID Alumni Association (*Prix de l'Association des Anciens*) 2016

Swiss Network for International Studies Geneva Award for the Article “The New Gold Standard? Empirically Situating the Trans-Pacific Partnership in the Investment Treaty Universe” in recognition of its special relevance for the work of international Organizations, 2016

John Hart Ely Prize for Outstanding Performance (Stanford Law School) 2015

Swiss National Science Foundation Doc.Mobility Grant 2014/15

Gallatin Fellowship 2014

Europaeum Oxford-Geneva Scholarship 2014

University of London Award for Academic Achievement 2012

“Hölderlin – Fellowship” of the German National Academic Foundation 2010

Scholarship of German Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes) 2006-11

Scholarship German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) 2009

Saxon Medal of Excellence (for 1.0 Abitur) 2005

Scholarship of the German Parliament (Congress-Bundestag-Program) 2002-2003

LANGUAGES

German Mother tongue

English Proficient

French Proficient

Spanish Basic

REFERENCES

Upon Request