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● EDUCATION AND TRAINING

01/10/2022 – CURRENT Tokyo, Japan

PH. D. INFORMATION STUDIES The University of Tokyo

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01/10/2021 – 30/09/2022 Tokyo, Japan

RESEARCH STUDENT The University of Tokyo

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01/10/2018 – 06/09/2019 Fukuoka, Japan

MASTER OF LAWS Kyushu University

A broad bilingual legal studies program, with a personal focus on courses about information law and international relations. Graduated with highest marks on most courses including my master's thesis. Master's thesis was a case analysis of the Cambridge Analytica incident under the EU and Japan's data protection laws.

Level in EQF EQF level 7

14/09/2016 – 01/02/2018 Leuven, Belgium

MASTER OF LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES: JAPANOLOGY KU Leuven

Graduated Cum Laude from an academic master's program, expanding on previous knowledge with general academics, job hunting skills in Japanese and deeper understand of Japanese society. Master's thesis written on Inoue Kowashi, the ghost writer of Japan's Meiji Constitution.

Level in EQF EQF level 7

14/09/2011 – 01/09/2016 Leuven, Belgium

BACHELOR OF LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES: JAPANOLOGY KU Leuven

Expansive education covering all aspects of Japanese society, with the main focus on the language. Besides a cultural-historic minor, one year of study in Japan's Kansai University is also included. Graduation thesis on the evaluation of Japanese cyber security measures.

Level in EQF EQF level 6

01/09/2010 – 28/02/2011 Tongeren, Belgium

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TRAINING CERTIFICATE VDAB

Vocational training at the country's public employment service. General administrative knowledge, language skills and a personal specialization in accountancy.

Level in EQF EQF level 4

01/09/2009 – 30/06/2010 Hasselt, Belgium

JAPANESE LANGUAGE LEARNING CERTIFICATE PCVO Hasselt

Japanese language classes at a specialized school. Taken in the evenings during vocational training and work for one year in preparation of university studies.

Level in EQF EQF level 4

01/09/2008 – 30/06/2009 Hasselt, Belgium

APPLIED IT PXL University College

Applies IT course, first year had a focus on general IT related skills and programming. Studies suspended after one year.

Level in EQF EQF level 5

01/09/2006 – 30/06/2008 Diepenbeek, Belgium

TEACHER TRAINING - ENGLISH/HISTORY MAJOR Limburg Catholic University College

School of education, majoring in Dutch, English and History. Studies suspended after 2 years.

Level in EQF EQF level 5

01/09/2000 – 30/06/2006 Tongeren, Belgium

HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE VIO Tongeren

Economics and modern languages (Dutch, French, English, German).

Level in EQF EQF level 4

● **WORK EXPERIENCE**

🏢 **KYUSHU UNIVERSITY** – FUKUOKA, JAPAN

LAW LECTURER – 10/09/2025 – 10/09/2025

Teaching the Japanese data protection law to members of the Thai Judiciary Office for a summer intensive course.

🏢 **KOKUSABA** – TOKYO, JAPAN

TUTOR – 21/03/2024 – 30/09/2025

Total of 168 hours of tutoring English and math to primary and middle school children.

🏢 **MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC EUROPE BELGIUM** – LOPPEM, BELGIUM

ADMINISTRATOR – 07/01/2020 – 31/08/2021

Executive Assistant of the HR manager, expanded to accounting employee's replacement, main IT support and facilities manager during the pandemic.

🏢 **LIONBRIDGE TECHNOLOGIES INC.** – BORGLOON, BELGIUM

PERSONALIZED INTERNET ASSESSOR – 01/03/2018 – 31/08/2018

Critically analyzing Google search results, assessing the pages for quality and helpfulness and rating said results.

🏢 **FRUDEX LTD.** – BORGLOON, BELGIUM

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – 01/07/2017 – 31/01/2018

Managing the entirety of accounting and administration as the sole administrative employee at family company.

🏢 **KANSAI UNIVERSITY** – SUITA, JAPAN

MODERN LANGUAGES LECTURER – 01/10/2015 – 06/2016

Teaching English speaking classes every week for two semesters to interested students, with a focus on pronunciation and fluency.

🏢 **JAVA LTD.** – ROTSELAAR, BELGIUM

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT – 01/03/2011 – 31/08/2014

Contracted employee (March - August 2011): Input and control invoices for the fresh foods platform, replacement of the chief-responsible of invoice control of main clientele after illness. Student work (summer holidays 2011 - 2014): Continuation of previous work, mainly invoice control at departments lacking in manpower due to holidays.

🏢 **CUVELIER YVES** – BORGLOON, BELGIUM

ICT TEST ANALYST – 08/01/2011 – 05/02/2011

4 week internship, input commission orders, follow-up of dossiers (purchasing and sales), analysis custom-made ERP-software and writing a manual for it.

🏢 **VDAB** – TONGEREN, BELGIUM

ACCOUNTANCY INSTRUCTOR – 01/07/2010 – 17/12/2010

Practice company for the public employment service's training program. Due to a sudden illness, there were no instructors capable of overseeing the accountancy department of the practice company. The instructors of other companies accepted my offer of substituting for the ill instructor, where I would teach and guide new students as well as cleaning up errors in the accountancy of previous years.

🏢 **FRUDEX LTD** – BORGLOON, BELGIUM

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – 01/07/2004 – 31/08/2007

All-round administrative assistance at family company during summers. Performed tasks include wage administration, and the input and control of invoices.

● **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Mother tongue(s): **DUTCH**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
JAPANESE	C1	C2	C1	C1	B2
FRENCH	B2	C1	B1	B1	B1
GERMAN	B1	A2	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● **DRIVING LICENCE**

Driving Licence: B

● **JOB-RELATED SKILLS**

Job-related skills

-Very flexible due to having received education in pedagogy, IT, Japanese studies and law. Being presented with something unknown is quite familiar and I quickly adapt.-Excepting personal situations, I have rarely ever suffered from stress related to work or studies.

● **ACHIEVEMENTS**

CURRENT

Language Tests and Scholarships

Japanese

JLPT N1 (21/1/2018)

English

TOEIC 990/990 (13/3/2016)

TOEFL 117/120 (14/11/2021)

Scholarships

 MEXT Scholarship (1/10/2021)

Academic

SNU-UTokyo_NCCU Symposium presenter (29/10/2022)

Kyushu University International Program in Law 30 year anniversary presenter (15/11/2024)

Kyushu University International Program in Law Workshop presenter (30/1/2025)

Published peer reviewed paper "Rebuilding Broken Japanese Consumer Trust: Applying the EU's Privacy Impact Assessment to a Japanese Context" in Tokyo University's Journal of Information Studies (11/2024)

● ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

Organisational skills

-My natural trustworthy and kind disposition leads to people often confiding in and relying on me in various situations. Having experienced two cases where I was thrust into an unfamiliar role due to a colleague becoming ill, I'm quite apt at taking in an unfamiliar workload and implementing methods of optimal workload sharing.

● COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communication and interpersonal skills

-My training to become a teacher, as well as my vocational training have shown me the importance and effectiveness of empathy and keeping one's conversation partner's wishes and circumstances in mind.-8 years of which 7 years at top level universities have trained me in being very concise, to the point and being able to read between the lines.