

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Merle Kreibaum

Development Economics Research Group  
University of Göttingen  
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## Education:

Since April 2012

Research assistant and PhD candidate  
Supervisors: Prof. Stephan Klasen and Prof. Axel Dreher  
Georg August University in Göttingen

September 2009 - September 2011

Dual Master's Degree in Development Economics and  
Economic History at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences  
Po, Paris) and the London School of Economics  
Title of the dissertation: 'Looking for the Juncture – Which  
Factors influencing Fragility in 1964-'71 Initiated the  
Divergence between Haiti and the Dominican Republic?'  
Mark: Merit

October 2006 - September 2009

Bachelor of Arts in Economics at the Georg August University in  
Göttingen, Germany  
Title of the dissertation: 'The Impact of Multi-Ethnicity  
on Post-Conflict Development Strategies – Application of  
General Findings on the Case of Nepal'  
Final Mark: 1.49

## Stays abroad:

September 2011 – March 2012

Arabic language course at the Language and Culture Centre  
Kalimat, Cairo, Egypt

September 2008 – January 2009

Semester abroad at the Institut de Gestion and the University  
of Rennes II

September 2005 - April 2006

Voluntary service at the Bikalpa School in Kathmandu, Nepal

September - December 2002

Exchange Student in Peterborough, United Kingdom

## Teaching:

October 2013 – March 2014

Teaching Assistant in Development Economics I at the  
Georg August University Göttingen

April – September 2013

Teaching Assistant for European Economy at the  
Georg August University Göttingen

April - September 2008

Tutor for Macroeconomics at the  
Georg August University Göttingen

October 2007 - March 2008

Tutor for Mathematics at the  
Georg August University Göttingen

**Publications:**

“Weapons of Choice” with Axel Dreher; Centre for Economic Policy Research Discussion Paper No. 10082 (2014)

“Their Suffering, Our Burden? How Congolese Refugees Affect the Ugandan Population”; Households in Conflict Network Working Paper 181 (2014)

“State Fragility: Towards a Multi-Dimensional Empirical Typology” with J. Gravingholt and S. Ziaja; German Development Institute (DIE) Discussion Paper 3/2012

**Conference Participations:**

German Economic Association Research Group on Development Economics Conference 2014 in Passau

Annual Bank Conference on Africa 2014 in Paris

Royal Economic Society Conference 2014 in Manchester

Centre for the Studies of African Economies (CSAE) Conference 2014 in Oxford

9<sup>th</sup> Annual Households in Conflict Network Workshop in Berkeley

**Academic Awards:**

Since April 2012

Scholarship Holder of the German Research Foundation (DFG)

September 2010 - September 2011

Scholarship Holder of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

November 2007 - September 2011

Scholarship Holder of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation

**Work Experience:**

June 2014

Consultancy for the German Development Institute’s (DIE) Project “Transformation and Development in Fragile States”

February 2014

Field Work in Kampala and Ugandan Refugee Settlements

December 2011 - March 2012

Internship with the German Development Agency (GIZ) in Cairo; Economic Integration of Women (EconoWin)

June - September 2010

Internship with the German Development Institute (DIE) Department for Governance, Statehood, Security

February - June 2009

Student assistant at the Professorship of Development Economics and International Economics at the Georg August University Göttingen

January - March 2009

Internship with the German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Department for Energy, Transportation, Environment

**Language Skills:**

English written and spoken (very good)

French written and spoken (very good)

Latin (Latin certificate)

Arabic (basics)

Nepali (basics)

**IT Skills:**

Stata, R, EViews, SPSS, ArcGIS, MS Office