

Giulia Martini

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SUMMARY

The candidate is a dedicated and results-driven researcher, currently pursuing a PhD with a focus on examining gender inequality through a long-term lens. Her research seeks to uncover the historical and structural factors that contribute to persistent gender disparities, providing insights that can inform policies for lasting social and economic equality.

WORK EXPERIENCE

PhD Candidate at *University of Gothenburg*

Sept 2023 - present

This PhD role encompasses a range of responsibilities, including completing advanced coursework, engaging in teaching duties, and conducting original research. The candidate's primary research project investigates the gender asset gap in Ghana, exploring the structural and socio-economic factors that contribute to the persistence of asset inequality between genders. This study aims to shed light on the mechanisms driving these disparities and to inform policies that promote equitable asset distribution and financial empowerment for women.

Provided *mentorship* to master's student Anna Lutz in the process of data collection and analysis, introducing her to foundational quantitative research methods. Guided her in developing research skills, ensuring accurate data gathering, and applying statistical techniques, fostering her ability to conduct independent research.

Development Research Fellow at *Global Policy Research Group*

Feb 2023 - July 2023

- Explored critical international development issues, assessing current policies' effectiveness in promoting equitable economic progress. Proposed strategic solutions for fostering resilience and sustainable growth in emerging economies.
- Analyzed socioeconomic variables impacting health outcomes, emphasizing income and regional disparities. Recommended policy-driven approaches to address structural inequities and improve health standards in underserved populations.

Intern at *Malmö Stad*

Sept 2022 - May 2023

- European Project 'ProCirc' on Circular Procurement for Public Organizations. More specifically, I have worked at the development of the Call for Action for EV chargers, to try ways to make them more sustainable and circular.
- Desk Research about innovative solutions for EV chargers
- Proactively researched and identified key contacts who could support project objectives.
- Scheduled and facilitated calls to assess partnership potential, aligning on shared goals and discussing collaboration frameworks.

Student Assistant at *University of Groningen*

May 2022 - June 2022

- Supported instruction in the Bachelor of Arts in International Relations course, Political Economy of Monetary Relations. Assisted students in understanding the global financial system, the role of international institutions, and the political implications of monetary policy. Delivered seminars, graded assignments, and provided targeted support to enhance students' grasp of economic and political dynamics in international relations.
- Taught and facilitated seminar sessions, delivering clear explanations of complex problems and concepts to support students' comprehension. Encouraged active participation and guided discussions to deepen students' engagement with the material.
- Assessed and graded exams for undergraduate courses, ensuring fair and consistent evaluation across all students.

Project Developer at *Empowered Birth Movement e. V.*

September 2021 - June 2023

- Performed comprehensive desk research, analyzing and summarizing key trends, events, and policies relevant to the organization's goals. Synthesized findings to provide insights that guided strategic planning and informed decision-making processes.
- Developed clear and concise research briefs, distilling complex information into actionable summaries. These briefs highlighted essential insights and were tailored to inform team members and stakeholders on current developments and opportunities.
- Researched, wrote, and edited blog posts to engage the target audience, enhance the organization's online presence, and communicate relevant industry insights. Tailored content to reflect the organization's objectives, voice, and audience, contributing to increased engagement and outreach.

PROJECTS

Thesis Project

[Link to the Project](#)

The research project seeks to examine gender roles and norms in Ghana and their impact on women's economic participation. Specifically, I aim to explore how women access critical resources, focusing primarily on land ownership and usage. Although legal frameworks in Ghana provide equal access to resources for both women and men, data reveals ongoing disparities, with women facing significant barriers. By analyzing the historical factors that have shaped these inequalities, this study aims to uncover the underlying reasons behind women's limited involvement in economic activities today. Understanding these dynamics could provide valuable insights for developing policies that foster economic inclusion and equity for women in Ghana.

Organization of the African Economic History Network Conference in 2026

[Link to AEHN](#)

I am currently involved in the organization of the 2026 conference of the African Economic History Network. My responsibilities include managing the preliminary phases of the event's planning, such as identifying and securing suitable accommodations, selecting restaurants, and arranging food and beverage services for the conference days. Additionally, I handle other practicalities to ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience for attendees. This role requires attention to detail, effective communication, and coordination with local vendors and international collaborators to meet the high standards of the Network.

EDUCATION

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| 2023 - present | PhD Economic History at University of Gothenburg |
| 2022 - 2023 | Master's Degree (MSc)* in Economic Development and Growth at Lund University - Thesis title: <i>"The Impact of Microfinance on Women's Empowerment in Ghana: a meta-regression analysis"</i> |
| 2021 - 2022 | Honours Programme in Leadership: Making the Difference at University of Groningen |
| 2021 - 2022 | Master's Degree (MSc)* in Economic Development and Globalization at University of Groningen - Thesis title: <i>"The Relationship between Political Regime and Female Human Capital: the role of Government Expenditure on Education"</i> |
| 2020 - 2021 | Pre-Master's Degree (MSc) in Economic Development and Globalization at University of Groningen - Final paper title: <i>"The Effect of Public Investment in Universities on Youth and Female Unemployment Rate"</i> |
| 2017 - 2020 | Bachelor's Degree (BA) in Political Science and International Relations at Università degli studi di Roma Tre |

* The two Masters degrees were part of a double degree programme called 'Master in Economic Development and Growth (MEDEG)' as a collaboration between the University of Groningen, Lund University and University of Carlos III.

SKILLS

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| Data Analysis | Advance knowledge of econometrics. proficient user of <i>STATA</i> , <i>R</i> . Good user of <i>MATLAB</i> and <i>Python</i> |
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LANGUAGES

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| Italian | (level: Mother tongue) |
| English | (level: C1/C2) |
| Spanish | (level: A2/B1) |
| Dutch | (level: A1) |
| Swedish | (level: A2) |