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CONTACT INFORMATION	<i>E-mail:</i> avschubert@berkeley.edu <i>Website:</i> lexischubert.github.io <i>Updated January 2026</i>	
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYMENT	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Wesleyan University Postdoctoral Scholar, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA), UC Berkeley	Starting 2026 2025 – 2026
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Economics, University of Zurich, <i>summa cum laude</i> “Essays on Behavioral and Physiological Constraints in Economic Decision-Making” Visiting Student in Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology M.Sc. in Economics, University of Zurich, <i>summa cum laude</i> Fast-Track MSc-PhD Program with Degree Conferral in 2022 B.A. in Economics and Cognitive Science, University of Virginia, <i>highest distinction</i>	2019-2025 2023 2018-2019 2013-2017
RESEARCH FIELDS	Primary: Behavioral Economics, Development Economics Secondary: Health Economics, Psychology of Poverty	
PUBLICATIONS	“Assisted Savings for Retirement: An Experimental Analysis” with Clement Bohr and Charles Holt. <i>European Economic Review</i> 2019, 119: 42-54.	
WORKING PAPERS	“Self-Detrimental Avoidance of Rest” with Jenny Wang. <i>UZH Working Paper Series</i> , 472. Awarded <i>Ronald Fisher Prize</i> for best Junior Paper at 2025 AFE Conference “Intergenerational Cognitive Mobility in Kenya” with Uyanga Byambaa, William Dow, Alden Gross, Jean Ikanga, Matthew Jukes, Edward Miguel, Eric Ochieng, and Michael Walker “A Behavioral Study of Retirement Savings Accounts: Roth versus Traditional” with Clement Bohr and Charles Holt. <i>UZH Working Paper Series</i> , 440.	
RESEARCH IN PROGRESS	“Break the Norm: Signaling and Optimal Break-Taking at the Workplace” with Raphaël Raux and Jenny Wang “Measuring Children’s Economics Preferences in Kenya” with Claudia De Goyenneche, Gonzalo Ferres, Edward Miguel, and Michael Walker “Pain, Pain, Go Away? Chronic Pain and Economic Decision-Making in Uganda”	
AWARDS AND PRIZES	Ronald Fisher Prize for Best Junior Paper (AFE Conference, UChicago) UBS Center for Economics in Society, Doctoral Scholarship (University of Zurich) UZH Doc.Mobility Fellowship (University of Zurich) Economics Outstanding Major Award & Commencement Speaker (University of Virginia) Best Economics Thesis Prize (University of Virginia) International Studies Office Student of the Year Award (University of Virginia) Duncan Clark Hyde Academic Achievement Award (University of Virginia) Kenneth G. Elzinga Scholarship for Academic Excellence (University of Virginia) William M. Hill Jr. Award for Service (University of Virginia) Phi Beta Kappa (junior year inductee) Raven Society (University of Virginia) Echols Scholar (University of Virginia)	2025 2022 – 2025 2022 2017 2017 2017 2017 2016 – 2017 2016 – 2017 2016 2015 2014 – 2017

GRANTS	Swiss Re Full Project Grant in Development Economics (University of Zurich, internal) with Jenny Wang	2024
	Director's Grant (University of Zurich, internal) with Jenny Wang	2024
	Swiss Re Pilot Grant in Development Economics (University of Zurich, internal) with Jenny Wang	2023
	George and Obie Shultz Fund (MIT, internal) with Jenny Wang	2022
	Swiss Re Pilot Grant in Development Economics (University of Zurich, internal)	2022
	Director's Grant (University of Zurich, internal)	2022
	Marshall Jevons Grant (University of Virginia, internal)	2017
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<i>University of Zurich:</i>	
	Psychology of Poverty (MA), Instructor	Fall 2022
	Empirical Methods (MA), Head TA	Fall 2021, 2022
	Econometrics for Policy Analysts (MA), TA	Spring 2021, 2022
	Programming Practices for Research Students (PhD), TA	Summer 2021
	Empirical Methods (MA), TA	Fall 2020
	<i>Colorado Mountain College:</i>	
	Multivariate Calculus (BA), TA	Fall 2017
	Differential Equations (BA), TA	Spring 2018
	<i>University of Virginia:</i>	
	Principles of Microeconomics (BA), TA	Fall 2015, 2016
	Principles of Macroeconomics (BA), TA	Spring 2016, 2017
SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<i>2026 Seminars:</i>	
	University of San Francisco*	
	<i>2025 Seminars:</i>	
	Humboldt University Berlin, Wesleyan University, UC Berkeley (Development Lunch), UC Berkeley (Psychology & Economics Faculty Lunch)	
	<i>2025 Conferences:</i>	
	Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Early Career Behavioral Economists Conference (ECBE), LACDev, IZA Behavioral Labor PhD Workshop, Stanford Behavioral Public Bootcamp (auditor), Advances in Field Experiments (AFE) Conference, ESA North America Meeting, Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC)	
	<i>2024 Seminars:</i>	
	MIT (Grad Student Behavioral Lunch), Center for Global Development	
	<i>2024 Conferences:</i>	
	Advances in Field Experiments (AFE) Conference, ESA Europe Meeting, Southern Economic Association (SEA) Meeting	
	<i>2023 Seminars:</i>	
	MIT (Grad Student Behavioral Lunch), MIT (Grad Student Applied Micro Lunch), MIT (Grad Student Labor Lunch), UMass Amherst (Resource Economics), University of Virginia (Brown Bag), Williams College (Brown Bag)	
	<i>2023 Conferences:</i>	
	NEEEW (participant), ESA North America Meeting, SEA Meeting	
	<i>* indicates scheduled</i>	

PROGRAMMS AND SUMMER SCHOOLS	Stanford Behavioral Public Bootcamp	2025
	UCSD-NHH Spring School in Behavioral Economics	2024
	Sloan-NOMIS Summer School on Cognitive Foundations of Economic Behavior	2022
	AEA CSWEP PhD Student Mentoring Program	2022
ACADEMIC SERVICE	Founder, Women in Econ, PhD Group, University of Zurich	2024–2025
	Student Life and Well-Being Committee, Zurich Graduate School of Economics	2023
	Mental Health Committee, Zurich Graduate School of Economics	2022–2023
	Co-Organizer, Gender Norms Reading Group, University of Zurich	2022
	PhD Representative, Department of Economics, University of Zurich	2021–2022
	Founder, PhD Wiki, Zurich Graduate School of Economics	2021–2022
	Co-Founder, PhD Agenda Newsletter, Zurich Graduate School of Economics	2021–2022
	Co-Organizer, Econ Research Slam, University of Zurich	2019–2022
	Co-Organizer, PhD Cohort Seminar, Zurich Graduate School of Economics	2020–2022
	Co-Chair, Flash Seminars, University of Virginia	2015–2017
	President, Economics Club, University of Virginia	2016
	Co-Founder, Alfred Marshall Society, University of Virginia	2016
	Co-Chair, Global Greeters International Student Orientation, University of Virginia	2013–2016
	Marketing Officer, Economics Club, University of Virginia	2015
MISCELLANY	Vice President, University Women's Forum, University of Virginia	2013–2015
	Co-Organizer, Flash Seminars, University of Virginia	2013–2015
	Languages: German (native), English (bilingual), French (fluent), Spanish (basic).	
	Citizenship: Germany	