

# Thorsten Martin

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## Research interests

**Applied Spatial Econometrics**  
**Public Finance**  
**Regional Economics**  
**Political Economics**

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## Previous positions

- 10.2012 – Present **Ph.D. Candidate; Thesis to be submitted by March 2016**, *University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany*, Chair: Public Economics
- 10.2006 – 09.2012 **Student assistant jobs**,  
*Salzenbrodt GmbH & Co. KG,*  
*Chair for Microeconomics & Chair for Economic Policy at Universität Potsdam,*  
*BIEM-CEIP,*  
*European Center for Information and Communication Technologies (EICT) GmbH,*  
*Korneli, Unger & Partner GbR,*  
*Office for Networking and Research Projects at Freie Universität Berlin*
- 01.2006 – 07.2006 **Bookkeeper**, *Salzenbrodt GmbH & Co. KG, Berlin, Germany*, Department: accounts payable department

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## Education

- 10.2009 – 09.2012 **Master of Science in Public Economics**, *Freie Universität Berlin, Germany*
- 08.2010 – 02.2011 **Exchange Semester**, *Riksuniversiteit Groningen, Groningen, Netherlands*
- 10.2006 – 09.2009 **Bachelor of Science in Economics and Politics & Administration**,  
*Universität Potsdam, Potsdam*
- 09.2003 – 01.2006 **Apprenticeship as an Industrial Business Clerk**,  
*Salzenbrodt GmbH & Co. KG, Berlin, Germany*
- 06.2003 **A-levels**, *Leonardo-Da-Vinci Gymnasium, Berlin, Germany*

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## Internships

- 01.2011 – 03.2011 **German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Berlin, Germany**,  
*Department: Public Economics*

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- 08.2008 – 09.2008 **Industrial Chamber of Commerce in Berlin, Berlin, Germany,**  
*Department: Economic Policy*
- 03.2008 – 04.2008 **European Centre for Economic Research (ZEW), Mannheim, Germany,** *Department: Industrial Economics*

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## Publications

**Race to the debt trap? Spatial econometric evidence from German municipalities (with Rainald Borck, Frank M. Fossen and Ronny Freier),** *Regional Science and Urban Economics, Vol.53 (2015), pp. 20-37*

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## Discussion Papers

**Let's stay in touch - Evidence on the role of social learning in local tax interactions (with Sebastian Blesse),** *ZEW Discussion Paper 15-081*, Status: Submitted to a Journal

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## Work in Progress

**Not in my backyard? The impact of citizen initiatives on housing supply in Germany (with Felix Arnold and Ronny Freier),** *Status: DP published soon, Draft available on request*

**Election cycles and housing policies - Cross state evidence from Germany,** *Status: First Econometric Analysis conducted*

**Entrepreneurial spillovers over space and time (with Frank Fossen),** *Status: First Econometric Analysis conducted*

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## Press coverage

- 05.2014 [Wirtschaftswoche](#) - NEW ECONOMICS Ansteckende Schulden  
05.2014 [Governing Magazine](#) - Why Cities Can't Go Bankrupt in Canada or Germany

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## Other research experience

- 10.2012 – Present **Guest Researcher at the DIW Berlin, Department of Public Economics, Berlin, Germany**
- 09.2015 **Short Term visit at the Center for European Economic Research (ZEW), Mannheim, Germany**
- 09.2015 – 10.2015 **Visiting researcher at Institut di Economia de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain**

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## External Presentations

- 03.2013 **2nd Potsdam PhD Workshop in Empirical Economics, University of Potsdam, Germany**
- 06.2013 **12th International Workshop Spatial Econometrics and Statistics, University of Orleans, France**
- 06.2013 **Kommunales Infrastruktur-Management , Technical University Berlin, Germany**

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- 07.2013 **Joint doctoral Workshop of the University of Potsdam, Free University and German institute for economic research (DIW)**, *Berlin, Germany*
- 10.2013 **3th Workshop on Regional Economics**, *CESIFO Dresden, Germany*
- 11.2013 **5th Halle Colloquy on Local Public Economics**, *Halle Institute for Economic Research, Germany*
- 09.2014 **VfS-Annual Meeting 2014**, *Helmut Schmidt University Hamburg, Germany*
- 09.2014 **4th Workshop on Regional Economics**, *CESIFO Dresden, Germany*
- 05.2015 **IX World Conference of the Spatial Econometrics Association (SEA)**, *Business School Miami, United States*
- 08.2015 **55th European Regional Science Association (ERSA) Congress**, *Lisboa School of Economics & Management, Portugal*
- 09.2015 **VfS-Annual Meeting 2015**, *University of Münster, Germany*
- 09.2015 **5th Workshop on Regional Economics**, *Cesifo Dresden, Germany*
- 10.2015 **Ph.D. Seminar IEB Barcelona**, *University of Barcelona, Spain*

## Skills

- German native
- English fluent
- Dutch intermediate
- Arabic intermediate
- Software Stata, Matlab, QGIS, Geoda, R

## Additional Education

- 06.2013 **Workshop on Spatial Panels, Lecturer: Badi Baltagi**, *Rome, Italy*

## Teaching (Language of Instruction)

- Winter 2012 **Introduction to Economics (German)**, *undergraduate*, Tutorial
- Winter 2012 **Seminar on Taxation (German)**, *graduate*, Seminar
- Summer 2013 **Urban Economics (English)**, *graduate*, Tutorial
- Summer 2013 **Political Economics (German)**, *graduate*, Tutorial
- Winter 2013 **Theory of Economic Policy (German)**, *undergraduate*, Tutorial
- Winter 2013 **Seminar on Social policy (German)**, *graduate*, Seminar
- Summer 2014 **Urban Economics (English)**, *graduate*, Tutorial
- Summer 2014 **Political Econmics (German)**, *graduate*, Tutorial
- Winter 2014 **Public Economics (German)**, *undergraduate*, Tutorial
- Winter 2014 **Urban Economics (English)**, *graduate*, **Lecture**
- Summer 2015 **Political Economics (German)**, *graduate*, Tutorial
- Summer 2015 **Urban Economics (English)**, *graduate*, Tutorial

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Winter 2015 **Public Economics (German)**, *undergraduate*, Tutorial

Winter 2015 **Urban Economics (English)**, *graduate*, Tutorial

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## References

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