Curriculum Vitae

Felix Lehmann

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Online presence

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Research interests

Party competition, intra-party politics, European integration, voting behavior, responsiveness

Professional

Current position PhD candidate at the Department of Political Science, University of

Gothenburg, 09/2022 – present, Supervisors: Prof. Ann-Kristin Kölln,

Prof. Carl Dahlström

Affiliations The Centre for European Research at the University of Gothenburg

(CERGU), 2022 – present

Previous positions Research intern, Department of Government, Uppsala University, 01/2022

-06/2022

Education

M.Sc. Political Science, Uppsala University. Thesis: "Talking about Europe?: Explaining the Salience of the European Union in the Plenaries of National Parliaments"; Grade: Pass with distinction. Supervisor: Dr. Thomas Persson, 08/2020 - 06/2022

B.Sc. Politics and Economics, University of Potsdam. Thesis: "Parliamentary Control of Governments Regarding Eurozone Crisis Management: Evidence from Greece, Finland, and Belgium"; Grade: 1.1 ("Very good"). Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Andrea Liese, Dr. Thomas Dörfler, 10/2016 - 06/2020

Publications and working papers

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- (1) Lehmann, Felix (2025) 'Everything for the fans: Party responsiveness to public opinion across issue areas', European Journal of Political Research, forthcoming.
- (2) Lehmann, Felix (2025) 'Keeping the team together: how intra-party divisions shape party behavior', Journal of European Public Policy, 1–29. https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2025.2539292
- (3) Lehmann, Felix (2024) 'Why accommodate? How niche pressure and intra-party divisions shape mainstream party strategies', Journal of European Public Policy, 1–26. https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2024.2408320
- (4) Persson, Thomas, Christer Karlsson, Felix Lehmann, and Moa Mårtensson (2024). 'Drivers of parliamentary opposition in European Union politics: institutional factors or party characteristics?', Journal of European Public Policy, 31:3, 756–781. https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2022.2162567
- (5) Lehmann, Felix (2023). 'Talking about Europe? Explaining the salience of the European Union in the plenaries of 17 national parliaments during 2006–2019', European Union Politics, 24:2, 370–389. https://doi.org/10.1177/14651165221143962

Book chapters

(1) de Silva, Monika and Lehmann, Felix (2025) "European Studies as an interdisciplinary research field? A comprehensive empirical analysis of interdisciplinarity in European Studies", In: Towards Non-Unidisciplinary Research in European Studies, edited by Andreas Moberg, De Gruyter, 61–80. https://doi.org/10.1515/9783111656007-006

Selected work in progress

- (1) Lehmann, Felix (2025) How electoral relevance drives party responsiveness across policy issues', Under Review.
- (2) Lehmann, Felix (2025) 'When does accommodation fail? The electoral consequences of intra-party divisions and mainstream party strategies', Under Review.
- (3) Lehmann, Felix (2025) 'When do voters not reward responsive parties? The role of intraparty divisions', Unpublished Manuscript.
- (4) Lehmann, Felix (2025) 'Do voters punish mainstream parties for accommodating Euroscepticism?', Unpublished Manuscript.

Teaching experience

Democracy and the European Union

Lectures and seminars at the Bachelor's level

March 2023 – present, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

European integration: Current research and theory

Lectures and seminars at the Master's level

October 2023 – present, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

Supervision of Bachelor's (5x) and Master's (6x) theses

January 2022 – present, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

Grants (Total: 271,000 SEK ~ 24,550€)

Kungl. Vetenskaps- och Vitterhets-Samhället i Göteborg (KVVS), Autumn 2025 Research Grant (55,000 SEK ~ 5,000€)

Helge Axon Jonssons Foundation grant, Spring 2025

Research Grant (40,000 SEK ~ 3,600€)

Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond, Spring 2025

Research Grant (75,000 SEK ~ 6,800€)

CERGU PhD student travel grant, Spring 2025

Travel Grant (34,000 SEK ~ 3,100€)

Siamon Foundation Scholarship, Spring 2024

Travel Grant (12,000 SEK ~ 1,100€)

Donation Board Scholarship, Spring 2024

Travel Grant (15,000 SEK ~ 1,350€)

The Adlerbert Scholarship, Fall 2023 and Fall 2024

Travel Grant (2X20,000SEK ~ 3,600€)

Conference presentations

- (1) EPSA Conference (2024, 2025)
- (2) ECPR General Conference (2023, 2024, 2025)
- (3) Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments (2025)
- (4) Swedish Political Science Association (SWEPSA) Conference (2022, 2023)
- (5) Jornada de Comportament i Opinió Pública de Catalunya (JCPOP) (2025)
- (6) Swedish Network for European Studies (SNES) Conference (2023, 2024, 2025)
- (7) Centre for European Research at the University of Gothenburg (CERGU) internal conference (2023, 2024, 2025)
- (8) INTRAPARTY workshop (2023)
- (9) Gothenburg Research Group on Elections, Public Opinion and Political Behavior (GEPOP) internal conference (2025)

Invited presentations

Seminar presentation at the Democracy, Elections, and Citizenship (DEC) research group at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB), title: "How do intra-party divisions affect the success of party policy change?", 11/2025

Seminar presentation at the Barcelona Junior Researchers in Empirical Political Studies (BJ REPS) working group, title: "Who follows the party? How and when parties can shape voters' issue priorities", 11/2025

Presentation at the youth organization of the Swedish Social Democratic Party, title: "The rise of the far right in Europe – The role of the EU, immigration, and mainstream parties", 02/2024

Additional training

ECPR Winter School, KU Leuven. Courses: Survey Design, Multilevel Modelling, 02/2024

PIL101, University of Gothenburg. Course: Teaching and Learning in Higher Education 1, 09/23 - 01/24

Essex Summer School in Social Science, University of Essex. Course: Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis, 07/24

Other professional activities

Reviewer for the following journals: The Journal of Politics (1), British Journal of Political Science (1), European Journal of Political Research (3), Journal of European Public Policy (2), European Union Politics (3), European Political Science Review (1), Government and Opposition (2), Comparative European Politics (1)

Chair of the PhD Council, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg, 01/2025 – 01/2026; Tasks: Representing the doctoral students at the Political Science department, organizing and chairing meetings, coordinating with the department leadership

PhD selection committee, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg, 02/2025 – 04/2025; Tasks: PhD representative for the selection of the PhD cohort 2026, participating in the selection process, interviewing, communicating with the accepted applicants

Co-organizer of the Party Research Group seminar series, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg, 09/2023 – present; Tasks: Inviting speakers, organizing and chairing seminars

Secretary and Treasurer of the "Samhällsvetenskapliga fakultetens doktorandråd" (SDR), Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gothenburg, 09/2023 – 01/2025 (Treasurer), 01/2024 – 06/2025 (Secretary); Tasks: Organizing funding and events, producing meeting minutes

Skills

Languages

	Speaking	Reading	Writing	Listening
German	Native	Native	Native	Native
English	Proficient	Proficient	Proficient	Proficient
Swedish	Elementary	Advanced	Intermediate	Elementary
Catalan	Elementary	Elementary	Elementary	Elementary

Statistical software

- (1) STATA (Proficient)
- (2) R (Intermediate)

Statistical methods

- (1) Panel regression analysis (Proficient)
- (2) Multilevel regression analysis (Proficient)
- (3) Survey experiments (Advanced)
- (4) Quantitative text analysis (Elementary)
- (5) Regression discontinuity design (Elementary)

Document and survey creation

- (1) Qualtrics (Proficient)
- (2) Microsoft Office Suite (Proficient)
- (3) LaTeX (Intermediate)