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Academic Positions

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| 2021- | University of Copenhagen, Department of Economics
Assistant Professor
<i>Parental leave and leave of absence, 19 months</i> |
| 2019-2021 | Harvard University, Department of Economics
Postdoctoral Fellow |
| 2019 | Lund University, Department of Economic History
Postdoctoral Fellow |

Research Visits

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| Fall 2020 | University of Zurich, Department of Economics |
| Fall 2015 | Brown University, Department of Economics |

Education

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| Nov. 2018 | PhD in Economics, University of Copenhagen
<i>Parental leave, 11 months</i> |
| 2014 | MSc Economics, University of Copenhagen |
| 2013 | MSc International Political Economy, London School of Economics |
| 2012 | BSc Economics, University of Copenhagen |

Research Fields

Economic History, Political Economy, Development Economics

Research

Publications:

- "Religion Exhibits the Greatest Cultural Diversity Across 117 Countries" (with Jeanet Sinding Bentzen, Lena Sperling, and Ara Norenzayan), *Nature Communications* (forthcoming)
- "The Bounty of the Sea and Long-Run Development" with Carl-Johan Dalgaard and Pablo Selaya, *Journal of Economic Growth*, 2020

Working papers:

- "Those Who Stayed: Selection and Cultural Change in the Age of Mass Migration", *Revise & Resubmit, Review of Economic Studies*
- "Cultural Change and Fertility Decline: Sweden, 1880–1910" with Martin Dribe and Björn Eriksson, *Reject & Resubmit, Journal of Economic History*
- "Names as Cultural Mirrors" with Jeanet Sinding Bentzen, Lars Harhoff Andersen, Tom Raster, and Ekaterina Travova

Work in progress:

- "Engines of Change: Networks and Identity in the Second Industrial Revolution" (with Anke Becker and Gustav Agneman)
- "Faith in Grief: Evidence on Religious Coping from Danish Administrative Data" (with Jeanet Sinding Bentzen and Ekaterina Travova)
- "Internal (Selective) Migration, Urbanization, and Growth: Evidence from 19th-Century Sweden" (with Kerstin Enflo and Jakob Molinder)

Awards and Grants

2021	Carlsberg Foundation Reintegration Stipend
2020	Winner, Ester Boserup Thesis Prize, Copenhagen Centre for Development Research
2019	Finalist (one of three), Alexander Gerschenkron Prize for the best dissertation in non-US or Canadian Economic History, Economic History Association
2019	Finalist (one of five), Denmark's National Ph.D. Competition ("Ph.d. Cup")
2019	Carlsberg Foundation International Postdoc Stipend
2015	Fulbright Scholarship for research at Brown University
2015	Various travel grants from Danish foundations (totaling 15,000 USD)
2012	Mikael Kristiansen Full-Tuition Scholarship for MSc studies at London School of Economics

Invited Seminar and Conference Presentations

- 2025 University of Southern Denmark, Workshop on the Political Economy of Identity (Berlin), Historical Political Economy Workshop (Hanover)
- 2024 Manchester University, Stockholm University, Helsinki GSE, Parthenope University of Naples, Athens University of Economic and Business
- 2023 NUY Abu Dhabi, Paris School of Economics, LMU Munich, Mannheim University
- 2021 Bonn University, Humboldt University, Berlin Colloquium in Economic History, Bayreuth University
- 2020 University of Copenhagen, California Institute of Technology, Bristol University, Boston University
- 2019 Stanford University, UC Davis

Selected Dissemination of Research

International: The Economist, Slate Magazine, Financial Times, Nada Es Gratis

Scandinavian: Weekendavisen, Information, Danish Broadcasting Corporation, Minervaposten

Professional Activities

Referee: *Quarterly Journal of Economics*; *Review of Economic Studies*; *Economic Journal*; *Journal of Development Economics*; *Journal of Economic Growth*; *Journal of Economic History*; *Economic History Review*; *American Political Science Review*; *Journal of Comparative Economics*; *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*; *Journal of European Economic History*; *Current Research in Ecological and Social Psychology*

Teaching

Course responsible: Economic History (undergraduate), University of Copenhagen

Certificates: Teaching and Learning in Higher Education, completed 2024