

# Adam Altmeld

## Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

- 2013–2018 **Ph.D in Economics**, Stockholm School of Economics, Sweden  
(expected) Supervisor: Tore Ellingsen. 105 ECTS coursework. Average grade: Pass with distinction.
- 2012 **M.Sc in Economics**, Stockholm School of Economics  
Unfinished, early admission to Ph.D program. GPA 4.50/5
- 2008–2012 **B.Sc in Business & Economics**, Stockholm School of Economics  
Major: Economics. Exchange studies during fall 2011 at Thammasat University in Bangkok, Thailand. Bachelor's Thesis: "Marginal Physician Visits and the Diagnostic Case Mix". GPA 3.75/5
- 2008 **Art History**, Stockholm University, Sweden  
GPA 4.00/5
- 2007 **French language and culture**, Cours de Civilisation Francaise, Sorbonne, Paris  
Advanced level
- 2004–2007 **Senior High School**, Natural Science, Katedralskolan, Lund, Sweden  
Awarded scholarship for excellent performance in math/physics. Top 20 in national physics competition. Science project used as pilot study at Lund University Cognitive Science. GPA 20/20

## Research

### Choosing Money

Valuation of fiat money is universal today. Choosing to hold intrinsically worthless cash is a convention that can be understood as one among many equilibria of some coordination game. Recent macroeconomic frameworks aimed at modelling this behavior do generate monetary economies, but are unable to provide any criteria for equilibrium selection. Hence, while agents can choose money, it is ambiguous if they will.

We seek to provide an explanation to the universality of money by experimentally evaluating how and why fiat money can be valued as an equilibrium selection process. We do this by implementing a version of the Hugget (1993) economy, proposed by Krusell, Mukoyama and Smith (2011) in the lab, and treat subjects in key dimensions. Joint with [Siri Isaksson](#).

### Prediction Markets for Science

In several different projects, we study how prediction markets can be used to ameliorate the scientific process. By eliciting private information, prediction markets allow us to study beliefs in replicability and quality of research. Currently working on a market on replicability in behavioral economics. Joint with, [Magnus Johannesson](#) and [Anna Dreber Almenberg](#) among others (a complete list of contributors is available [online](#)).

### Evolution of preferences for ambiguity

Joint with [Thomas Seiler](#), we explore evolutionary stability of ambiguity-contingent preferences in different settings.

### Games with unknown unknowns

Inspired by Grant and Quiggin (2013) as well as Karni and Vierø (2014) I study the effect of knowledge of one's own unawareness of possible states in strategic environments.

## Teaching Experience

Fall 2014 **Mathematics I, PhD**

Teaching Assistant for Professor Jörgen Weibull in an introductory math course for Economics PhD's. Mainly topology, set theory and some optimization.

Fall 2012 **Microeconomics, Undergraduate**

Teaching Assistant for Professor Richard Friberg in the introductory Microeconomics course for BSc. students.

## Awards

2014 **Hedelius Research Fellowship**

Awarded SEK 642 000 financing for a visiting scholar position at Harvard University

2013 **SASSE Scholarship**

Awarded SEK 85 000 from the Student Association at SSE for summer studies at Stanford University

## References

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## Work Experience

2013 **Summer Associate, JKL**

Summer internship as a consultant in Public Affairs, working with communication strategy for customers such as the Swedish Riksbank. JKL is one of the most esteemed Swedish consultancies in strategic communication.

2012–2013 **Business Development Intern, Spotify**

Summer internship as an analyst in business development, 1 of 15 admitted from over 1500 applicants. Created tools for analysis of partnership performance, to evaluate current results and to create projections for future deals. Greatly improved infrastructure and process for partnership KPI analysis. Employed as *part-time Analyst* during 2012–2013.

2011–2012 **Intern, Prime**

Summer internship as public affairs consultant during 2011. Also part-time work during spring 2011, and spring 2012 within different divisions, working with media analysis, research, events, etc.

2010–2011 **Vice President, Student Association at SSE**

Elected by the students at SSE for a full-time position with a one year mandate as Vice President of SASSE, the most active Student Association in Scandinavia, with 2000 members, and a yearly turnover of about 15MSEK.

Responsible for all running operations in the Student Association, with about 300 active students in 30–50 different projects and associations. Also responsible for the association's premises and restaurant/bar and the the Senior Society with many well-known SSE alumni as members. Main results include renovated premises, implementation of english as working language, installment of new web portal, and development of a communication strategy.

## Other Qualifications

2014–2015 **Member of the board, SSE Alumni Association**

The alumni association has over 3 000 members, maintains a mentorship program and organizes activities such as inspirational lectures and homecoming parties.

**2009–2015 Member of the Council and Board of Directors of the SSE Student Association**

Elected to the Student Council for three periods, 2009–2010, 2011–2012, and 2014–2015. Elected member of the Board of Directors of the Student Association during 2012–2013 and 2013–2014.

**2008–2013 Various voluntary projects within the Student Association at SSE**

Head of Communication for Handelsdagarna 2011, a career fair and the largest project at SSE with a turnover of approximately 2MSEK. Head of Marketing for M2:2009, a career fair focused on the communication business. Also various other extracurricular engagements, such as president of the Art Club (2009) and the Film Club (2011).

**2011 Stureakademin**

Course arranged by [Timbro](#) in writing, ideology, public opinion and policy-making. Awarded scholarship for best final essay, to participate in a course arranged by the Institute for Humane Studies in Washington DC.

## Skills and Interests

### Spoken Languages

Swedish (native), English (fluent), French (good), Polish (good)

### Computer Skills

Advanced user of PC, Mac, MS-Office, STATA, R, Matlab, Adobe-suite, programming in Python, SQL, Web Design with HTML5, CSS, SASS, Twitter Bootstrap etc.

### Interests

Playing the piano, music, cinema (especially asian and russian), contemporary art and politics