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EXPERIENCE

Head of Section, Population & Education

Statistics Denmark

📅 July 2024 -

📍 Copenhagen

- Development of Teacher-Student-Register

Teaching Assistant

Department of Social Data Science, University of Copenhagen

📅 January 2023 – December 2023

📍 Copenhagen

- Teaching methods of social data science, digital methods, and providing guidance in student projects
- Teaching machine learning, network analysis, and causal inference, including application with Python

Student Assistant

Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen

📅 April 2022 – September 2022

📍 Copenhagen

- Contributed in developing survey and gathering contact information for survey participants
- Collected data on book loans from public libraries in Denmark through an API using Python

Student Assistant

Department of Economics, Copenhagen Business School

📅 November 2020 – October 2021

- Reviewing data and code for errors
- Aiding in literature review for researchers

RELEVANT COURSES

Thesis: Parlarchy in the UK

Department of Sociology

📅 Fall 2023

- GIS, mapping data, and spatial panel regression
- Analysis of behavioral data from social media
- Conceptualising far right social movements on alternative social media

S&DS 565: Introductory Machine Learning

Department of Statistics and Data Science, Yale University

📅 Fall 2022

- Supervised learning, unsupervised learning, linear regression, classification, stochastic gradient descent, cross validation, tree-based methods, topic models, language models, word embeddings, Bayesian inference, neural networks

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IT

R
Python
LaTeX
STATA
HTML & CSS
SQL
SAS



LANGUAGES

Danish
English



EDUCATION

M.Sc. in Sociology

University of Copenhagen

📅 Sept 2021 – January 2024

Exchange student

Yale University

📅 Sept 2022 – December 2022

B.Sc. in Sociology

University of Copenhagen

📅 Sept 2018 – June 2021

B.Sc. in Technoanthropology (not finished)

University of Aalborg

📅 Sept 2017 – June 2018 (dropped out)

- `pandas` , `numpy` , `matplotlib` , `tensorflow` , `scikit-learn` , `seaborn` , Jupyter Notebook
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S&DS: Data Science for Political Campaigns

Department of Statistics and Data Science, Yale University

📅 Fall 2022

- Modelling of voter behavior, evaluating campaigns, voter experiments
 - `pandas` , `numpy` , `matplotlib` , Jupyter Notebook
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Independent study

Department of Sociology, Yale University

📅 Fall 2022

- Writing (short) paper intended for publication in collaboration with an adviser
 - Analysing and mapping data from social media using R
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Econometrics I

Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen

📅 Fall 2020

- Causal inference, regression analysis, natural experiments, time series, DiD
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The Logic of Design-Based Research

Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen

📅 Fall 2021

- Causal inference, IV, DiD, regression discontinuity, experiments & natural experiments
 - Counterfactual model of causality
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Advanced Knowledge, Organization, Politics

Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen

📅 Fall 2021

- Applying social network analysis of Danish politics on Twitter for final paper

AWARDS

Award for Best Bachelor's Thesis 2022 from the Society for Survey Research

📅 Spring 2022

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ABOUT ME

For almost two decades, I have spent a lot of my time playing volleyball and beachvolleyball, at one point on the highest level in Denmark. I still play multiple times a week, although at a more casual level now. Besides many friendships and great experiences, I believe my background in team sports have contributed greatly to my ability to productively cooperate with others - handle criticism well, take responsibility, be accountable, and participate productively in teamwork.

When I am not spending time on sports, I enjoy making use of Copenhagen for both cultural experiences, food, and drinks. Especially in the summer, I take pleasure in the parks, swimming in the canals, and generally being out and about in the city with friends and family.