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Personal: Married, two daughters (born 2016 and 2020).

Research Interests

Labor Economics, Family Economics, Search and Matching, Inequality

Current Position and Affiliations

2023 to present Associate Professor of Economics, Aarhus University

2023 to present Affiliate, IZA Institute of Labor Economics 2016 to present Affiliate, CESifo Research Network

Education

2012–2018 Ph.D. in Economics (Dr. oec. publ.), summa cum laude, LMU Munich

Thesis Title: Assortative Matching in Labor and Marriage Markets

Committee: Prof. Helmut Rainer, Prof. Christian Holzner, Prof. Philipp Kircher

Research Visits

November 2024 Institute of Economics of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

October 2023 Department of Economics, University of Mannheim

October 2019 Center of Economic Studies (CES), Department of Economics, LMU Munich

Fall 2016 Department of Economics, University of Chicago

June 2016 Department of Economics and Business Economics, Aarhus University

Previous Positions

2017–2023 Assistant Professor of Economics (tenure-track), Aarhus University 2012–2017 Junior Economist and Doctoral Student, ifo Institute, Munich

2015 Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, LMU Munich

2011–2012 Junior Economist, National Bank of Poland, Warsaw

Publications

- Firm Productivity, Wages, and Sorting, with Ben Lochner (IAB & FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg) Journal of Labor Economics, Vol. 42(1), January 2024.
- Labor Market Dynamics with Sorting Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Vol. 158, January 2024.
- Optimal Weights for Marital Sorting Measures, with Frederik Almar (Aarhus University) Economics Letters, Vol. 234, January 2024.
- Marriage and Divorce: The Role of Unemployment Insurance, with Fabian Siuda (WU Vienna) Journal of Population Economics, Vol. 36(4), October 2023.

Working Papers

• Educational Ambition, Marital Sorting, and Inequality, R&R, Journal of Labor Economics, with Frederik Almar (Aarhus University), Benjamin Friedrich (Northwestern University), Ana Reynoso (University of Michigan), Rune Vejlin (Aarhus University)

- Families' Career Investments and Firms' Promotion Decisions
 with Frederik Almar (Aarhus University), Benjamin Friedrich (Northwestern University), Ana Reynoso (University of Michigan), Rune Vejlin (Aarhus University)
- *Job Displacement, Remarriage, and Marital Sorting* with Hanno Foerster (Boston College), Tim Obermeier (University of Leicester)
- *Marriage and Divorce under Labor Market Uncertainty* with Christian Holzner (Hochschule München)

Recent Media Coverage of Research

11/4/2025	The Golddigger Myth (Weekendavisen, in Danish)
7/2/2024	When It Comes to Dating, Ambition Might Matter More Than Politics (New York Times)
14/1/2024	Fewer divorces thanks to reforms (Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, in German)
12/9/2023	How the job market influences partner choice (Der Standard, in German)
24/3/2023	Radio interview with DR P1 4. division (from 43:56, in Danish, with Miriam Wüst)
20/3/2023	Radio interview with DR P1 Morgen (from 41:25, in Danish, with Frederik Almar)
17/3/2023	Overachiever looks for a mate (Weekendavisen, in Danish)

Seminar, Workshop, and Conference Presentations

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2025	Search and Matching Conference (Vilnius, scheduled), SED (Copenhagen, scheduled), ES-WC (Seoul, scheduled)
2024	LMU Munich, NBER Summer Institute, The Micro and Macro Perspectives of the Aggregate Labor Market (Cambridge, MA), Workshop on Labor Supply and Inequality within Families (University of Copenhagen), BSE Summer Forum (Income Dynamics and the Family)
2023	NBER Summer Institute, The Micro and Macro Perspectives of the Aggregate Labor Market (Cambridge, MA), Workshop on Families, Human Capital, and Inequality (Mannheim), ES-NASM (UCLA), Society of Economics of the Household (Copenhagen), IAB/FAU Nuremberg, London SaM workshop, Helsinki GSE
2022	Webinar in Gender and Family Economics, BSE Summer Forum (Income Dynamics and the Family), KU Leuven Summer Event (Labor/Family Economics), Nordic Conference on Register Data and Economic Modelling (Stockholm)
2021 2020	The 4th Dale T. Mortensen Centre Conference (Aarhus/Sandbjerg), EALE (virtual), ESPE (virtual), ES-NASM (virtual), IAB/FAU Nuremberg (virtual) IZA Workshop on Labor Market Institutions (virtual), ES-WC (virtual), EALE/SOLE/AASLE World Conference (virtual)
2019	The 3rd Dale T. Mortensen Centre Conference (Molskroen), LMU Munich, University of Glasgow, EALE (Uppsala), Workshop on Gender and Family in the Labor Market (CERGE-EI, Prague), Nordic Conference on Register Data and Economic Modelling (Aarhus), T2M (Nuremberg)
2018	ES-EWM (Naples), Toulouse, ES-EM (Cologne), 12th Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics and Finance (Bjørnefjorden), Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Palma), Search and Matching Conference (Cambridge), Copenhagen Business School, Demographics, Immigration, and the Labor Market (Nuremberg)
2014–2017 (selection)	University of Chicago, Northwestern University, University of Cambridge, University of Essex, University of Konstanz, LMU Munich, ifo Institute, IAB/FAU Nuremberg, Halle Institute for Economic Research (IWH), Aarhus University, AEA/ASSA meetings (Boston, Chicago), SED (Toulouse), Search and Matching Conferences (Amsterdam, Aix-en-Provence), ES-WC (Montreal), BSE Summer Forum (Search, Matching and Sorting), ES-EWM (Madrid), 6th Lindau Meeting on Economic Sciences

Refereeing

• Review of Economic Studies, Economic Journal, Review of Economics Dynamics, Quantitative Economics, European Economic Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Journal of Political Economy Microeconomics, Journal of Population Economics, Labour Economics, Empirical Economics, Journal for Labour Market Research, Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, U.S. National Science Foundation

Academic Service

- Data Manager, ECONAU, Aarhus University
- · ECONAU steering group (responsible for Danish register data access at Aarhus University)
- Macro Seminar Series, Aarhus University, Coordinator
- The 5th Dale T. Mortensen Centre Conference, Co-organizer, November 2023
- VfS (German Economic Association) Jobmarket Preparation Seminar, Co-organizer, September 2023
- DTMC Workshop on Marriage and Labor Market Interactions, Organizer, April 2022
- Global Economic Symposium, Member of the Organizing Committee, 2008–2012

Teaching Experience

Fall 2024 BA, MA, and PhD Supervision Course for Associate Professors and Professors

Since fall 2024 International Economics (graduate, International Macro part), AU

Since spring 2024 Micro and Macro Models of the Labor Market (graduate, course coordinator), AU

Since fall 2019 Labour Economics (graduate, course coordinator), AU
Fall 2020 Teacher Training Programme for Assistant Professors, AU

Spring 2018–2020 Monetary Economics (graduate), AU
Fall 2018 Economics (undergrad, macro part), AU
Winter 2015/16 Public Economics II (undergrad), TA, LMU
Summer 2015 Public Economics II (undergrad), TA, LMU

Summer 2015 Advanced Seminar on Labor Market Policy (undergrad), TA, LMU

Winter 2013/14 Public Economics I (undergrad), TA, LMU Munich

Awards and Grants (PI)

2025-2026	Aarhus University Research Foundation (AUFF) Nova Grant (≈ € 100,000)
2025	Danish e-infrastructure Cooperation (DeiC), 2.6M CPU-hours (≈ € 300,000)
2024	Platform for Inequality Research at Aarhus University (≈ € 10,000)
2023-2024	Danish e-infrastructure Cooperation (DeiC), 5.1M CPU-hours (≈ € 600,000)
2022	Danish e-infrastructure Cooperation (DeiC), 2.5M CPU-hours (≈ € 300,000)
2018-2023	Aarhus University Research Foundation (AUFF) Starting Grant (≈ € 214,000)
2015, 2016	Conference Grants of the German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik)
2016	Shortlisted for Distinguished CESifo Affiliate Award

2015 Travel Grant, Econometric Society

Computer Skills

Python, Matlab, Stata, R, SAS, EViews, Mathematica, C, LTFX, git, Plone, html

Language Skills

German (native), English (C2), Polish (C1), Danish (B2)

References

References are available upon request.