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EDUCATION

PhD in Political Science, University of Copenhagen 2021 – 2025

- Title: “The Interface of Politics: How Social Groups Guide Political Choice”
- Supervisors: Frederik HJORTH (principal) and Peter Thisted DINESEN
- Committee: Gabriel LENZ (UC Berkeley), Jonathan POLK (Lund), Carolin RAPP (Copenhagen)
- Coursework: Causal Inference Using Longitudinal Data (S. CUNNINGHAM), Advanced Heterogeneous Effects Estimation (T. YAMAMOTO), Causal Inference with Directed Acyclic Graphs (P. HÜNERMUND), Instrumental Variables Methods (P. HULL), Shift-Share Instrumental Variables (P. HULL).

MSc in Political Science, University of Copenhagen 2021 – 2023

- The degree was completed as part of my PhD Program.
- GPA: 12/12.

MSc in Sociology, University of Oxford 2020 – 2021

- Graduated with *Distinction* (highest grade class)
- Thesis: “What Explains Class Voting in Britain? Decomposing the Causal Effects of Class on Voting in the 2015 General Election.” Grade: *First Class*.
- Electives: Methods of Causal Inference in the Social Sciences, Political Sociology

BA in Politics, Philosophy & Economics, University of Warwick 2017 – 2020

- Graduated with *First Class Honours* (highest grade class)
- *PPE Programme Prize Winner* for top cohort results.
- Electives: Applied Econometrics, Microeconometrics

VISITING POSITIONS

Fulbright Visiting Researcher, Institute of Governmental Studies, UC Berkeley Aug. 2024 – Dec. 2024

- Sponsored by Professor Gabriel LENZ.
- Member of Gabriel LENZ’ and David BROOCKMAN’s Political Behavior Lab.

Visiting PhD Researcher, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University May. 2024 – Jun. 2024

- Sponsored by Professor Martin Vinæs LARSEN.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Retrospective voting, political economy, democratic accountability, group-based politics, party strategy and behavior, policy feedback, quantitative methods, survey experiments causal inference

PUBLICATION LIST

All enclosed publications are marked below with a ★.

Papers in Ph.D. Dissertation

- ★ [1] **You and Whose Economy? Group-Based Retrospection in Economic Voting.**
Accepted, American Journal of Political Science.
- ★ [2] **Elite Rhetoric and the Running Tally of Party-Group Linkages.** (With Frederik HJORTH.)
Accepted, Journal of Politics.
- ★ [3] **When the Personal Is Political: Is Pocketbook Voting Sensitive to Policy?**
Working Paper.
- [4] **Who (Else) Benefits? Group-Based Responses to Targeted Policies.**
Working Paper.

Other Papers

- [5] **Group Sympathy and Party Choice: A Longitudinal and Comparative Analysis of Reference Group Theory.** (With Rune STUBAGER, Lena HUBER & Michael LEWIS-BECK.)
Accepted, European Journal of Political Research.
- [6] **Accommodating the Radical Right: Cross-Country Experimental Evidence.** (With Frederik HJORTH & Martin Vinæs LARSEN.)
Revise and Resubmit, American Political Science Review.
- [7] **Elected Losers: How Party Performance Affects Legislators' Satisfaction with Democracy.** (With Daniel CRUZ.)
Under Review, American Journal of Political Science.
- [8] **Persuasion in Practice: How Party Cues and Persuasive Messaging Interact in Voters' Opinion Formation.** (With Søren DAMSBO-SVENDSEN.) *Working Paper.*
- [9] **Retrospective Voting After a Sudden Rise in Human Death Rates.** (With Søren DAMSBO-SVENDSEN.) *Working Paper.*

Publications in Danish

- [10] **Vælgernes Sympatier med Sociale Grupper: En Overset Faktor bag Partivalg.** 2024. (With Rune STUBAGER.) *Partiledernes Kamp om Midten: Folketingsvalget i 2022* (eds. K. M. HANSEN and R. STUBAGER). Djøfs Forlag.
- [11] **Den Dårliche Økonomiske Situation Hjalp Regeringen: Prisstigninger, Varmecheck og Opbakning til Socialdemokratiet.** 2024. (With Martin Vinæs LARSEN.) *Partiledernes Kamp om Midten: Folketingsvalget i 2022* (eds. K. M. HANSEN and R. STUBAGER). Djøfs Forlag.
- [12] **Politisk Deltagelse - Magt og Medbestemmelse.** 2019. (With Alexander L. Q. CHEN.) *Global Udvikling* (eds. G. MARINOS and P. A. NIELSEN). Forlaget Columbus.

TEACHING

- MSc thesis supervision**, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen Spring 2025
– Supervised 3 theses on political behavior using experiments.
- BA project workshops**, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen Fall 2022, Spring 2023
– Supervised approx. 100 BA students in weekly workshops on quantitative methods for their bachelor's thesis projects.

Methods 2/3, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen

Spring 2022, Fall 2022

- I taught classes of approx. 40 undergraduate students each and graded 55 assignments. The most advanced quantitative methods course of the undergraduate program in political science (restructured/renamed in 2022). Topics include logistic regression, panel data, RDD, and IV.
- Average evaluation of 4.92/5 (N=48) averaged across the two questions specific to my teaching: how well I helped students learn the content, and how well I ensured everyone felt safe asking questions.
- *‘Christoffer is one of the most competent and welcoming teachers I have met on the program. He always does his absolute best to convey the content precisely and understandably with tangible examples, and most importantly, you are never afraid to ask questions because Christoffer always takes the time to answer in an informative and friendly way.’* (anonymous student, 2022)

FORMER EMPLOYMENT

University of Warwick, Department of Politics and International Studies

Dec. 2018 – Jul. 2019

- Research assistant on a project about authoritarian religious movements.

University of Warwick, Department of Economics

Jul. 2018–Nov. 2018

- Research assistant on a project about the financial sector and labor market volatility.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

Previous presentations

- Nordic Political Behavior Workshop 2022, 2025
- POLICITY Workshop, Aarhus University 2025
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting 2022, 2023, 2024
- European Political Science Association Annual Meeting 2022, 2023
- Danish Political Science Association Annual Meeting 2021, 2022, 2023, 2025
- COMPTXT Annual Conference 2024
- Aarhus University Political Behavior Workshop 2024
- Behavioral Citizen Workshop, University of Copenhagen 2024
- UC Berkeley Political Behavior Lab 2024
- European Consortium on Political Research, Joint Sessions of Workshops 2023
- Politics & Society Workshop Series, University of Duisburg 2022

INVITED TALKS

Danish Psychology Association, Odense

Nov. 2025

- Talk about political psychology and electoral accountability.

Text as Data (TADA) Spring Speaker Series, University of Basel

Apr. 2025

- Presented my paper: “Elite Rhetoric and the Running Tally of Party-Group Linkages” (co-authored with Frederik Hjorth).
- URL [here](#)

Virum Gymnasium, Greater Copenhagen Area

Oct 4, 2022

- Talk about the 2022 Danish General Election.

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Fulbright Scholarship, 2024 (€6,700)
- Aage og Johanne Louis-Hansens Fond, 2020 (€3,350)

- Knud Højgaards Fond, 2024 (€2,700)
- Viet-Jacobsen Fonden, 2024 (€2,700)
- Augustinus Fonden, 2024 (€2,600)
- William Demant Fonden, 2024 (€2,000)
- Torben og Alice Frimodts Fond, 2024 (€2,000)
- The University of Warwick 2018 Undergraduate Research Scholarship (€1,750)

DISSEMINATION AND OUTREACH

RADIO III MORGEN

- Interview om fødevarechecken Jan. 2, 2026

TV2 NEWS

- Interview Jan. 2, 2026
- Interview Jan. 27, 2026

P1 MORGEN

- Interview Jan. 3, 2026
- Interview Jan. 28, 2026
- Interview Feb. 27, 2026

ZETLAND

- Podcast Interview (Helikopter): “Kan man købe en stemme for en fødevarecheck?” Jan. 29, 2026

BERLINGSKE

- Interview: “Regeringen bliver beskyldt for at købe stemmer med ny check. Måske er der noget om snakken” Jan. 2, 2026
- Interview: “300 stemmer i Nordsjælland tippede magten til Mette Frederiksen sidst. Nu taler forskere om effekten, der kan afgøre endnu et valg” Jan. 27, 2026

VIDENSKAB.DK

- Interview: “Forsker: Ny fødevarecheck kan flytte stemmer – og regeringen har udvalgt modtagerne smart” Jan. 27, 2026

JYLLANDS-POSTEN

- Interview: “Checks gav sandsynligvis sejren til Mette Frederiksen, siger forskere. Og det kan blive endnu vildere til næste valg” Jan. 27, 2026

KRISTELIGT DAGBLAD

- Interview: “Man smører smørret uendeligt tyndt på: To millioner danskere modtager fødevarecheck” Jan. 27, 2026

DR1

- Video Interview: “Explainer: Kan Trump blive præsident igen?” Nov. 29, 2023

BØRSEN

- Interview: “Trods dårlig økonomi strømmede vælgerne til Mette Frederiksen” Feb. 21, 2024
- Interview: “Fornemmelsen af høje priser kan vare ved i flere år – og være afgørende for valget” Oct. 18, 2025

WHO GOVERNS EU

- Analysis: “Upheaval as Denmark has its most dramatic election in 50 years” Nov. 3, 2022

RÆSON

- Analyses of the 2020 US Presidential Election: Feb. – Nov., 2020
Nov. 4, 2020, Nov. 1, 2020, Oct. 23, 2020, Oct. 18, 2020, Oct. 10, 2020,
Sep. 21, 2020, Sep. 11, 2020, Aug. 13, 2020, Jul. 6, 2020, Feb. 15, 2020

POLITIKEN

- Op-ed: “Populisterne kæmper ikke ‘Folkets’ sag” Nov. 26, 2016
- Op-ed (’Kroniken’): “Hvor er dannelsen i min gymnasieuddannelse?” Dec. 4, 2014

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer at *American Political Science Review*, *Politica* Mar. 2023 –

Social Media Editor, West European Politics Jan. 2026 –
– Tasked with social media outreach and strategy for online visibility of the journal and its research.

PhD Course Committee, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen Sep. 2023 – Aug. 2025
– PhD representative at the committee during a period of significant restructuring of the PhD program.

Course organizer, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen Sep. 2023 – Aug. 2025
– I independently organized, got funding for and hosted two PhD methods courses for my cohort:
Causal Inference with Directed Acyclic Graphs (taught by Paul HÜNERMUND, CBS) and Advanced
Heterogeneous Effects Estimation (taught by Teppei YAMAMOTO, MIT).

QUMPAS, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen Jan. 2023 – Aug. 2024
– I have led QUMPAS (Quantitative Methodology in Political Science), a network for PhD students
at the department. I facilitated research presentations at monthly meetings and gave a series of
presentations myself introducing methods like directed acyclic graphs (DAGs), inverse probability
weighting, and the sequential g-estimator.

Support teacher, Dept. of Political Science, University of Copenhagen 2021 – 2023
– I supported students with special needs, mostly helping with study planning and mentoring.

REFERENCES

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