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Education

Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, New York, NY | Degree Expected August 2023

Master of Science in Data Journalism. Courses in reporting, investigative techniques, coding, algorithms, and data analysis and visualization.

- A [feature article](#) about the working conditions of Latina day laborers in Brooklyn.
- A [breaking news story](#) on rideshare drivers protesting against proposed congestion fees in New York City.
- An automatically updating website visualizing energy prices in Europe http://laurabejder.com/european_energy_prices/
- Honors in Reporting I and Reporting II – investigative data journalism.

The University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark | Sep. 2018 – Jan. 2022

Bachelor in Sociology. Specialized in political sociology and quantitative methods. Exchange to Sciences Po, Paris, where I studied political science and comparative politics.

Skills

Python, R, SQL
databases, Stata,
Microsoft Excel

Will learn during the program: HTML, JavaScript

Languages: English (C2), Danish (native), Swedish and Norwegian (good understanding), French (intermediary)

Qualify for a three-year STEM OPT

Experience

Researcher and Editorial Assistant, [Altinget.dk](#), Copenhagen, Denmark | June 2021 – Aug. 2022

Wrote more than 225 stories at Altinget, one of Denmark's largest online political newspapers. I covered breaking news in Danish and European politics and participated in investigative projects.

- Investigative data stories: Denmark's military engagement in Afghanistan, changes in hiring processes in the Danish civil service, and a series on the wages of the highest-paid civil servants in the political central administration and healthcare system. I worked with data processing and visualization.
- Election night coverage: Responsible for Altinget's front page data on the results of the 2022 Danish European Union opt-out referendum.
- Monthly one-page magazine element: Interviews with prominent national politicians and ministers about their cultural habits.

Virtual Short Term Scientific Mission, [COST Action CA16111](#), International Ethnic and Immigrant Minorities' Survey Data Network (ETHMIGSURVEYDATA) | July 2021

I reviewed and corrected the already existing meta-data on Danish surveys about immigrants and ethnic minorities and compiled and added new surveys to the meta-data file. The meta-data was added to the Danish section of the [Ethnic and Migrant Minorities \(EMM\) Survey Registry](#).

Teaching Assistant, Basic Statistics, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen | Jan. – June 2021

I taught weekly classes in basic statistics to first-year bachelor's students. The course included introductions to the mathematical and methodological use of statistical concepts (mean, standard deviation, hypothesis tests etc.)

References

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