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Current employment and affiliations

- 2022– **Statistics Norway**
Researcher (2022–2024), Senior Researcher (2025–), Unit for Macroeconomics
- 2023– **University of Oslo**
Affiliated Researcher, Norwegian Fiscal Studies

Past employment

- 2024 **Oslo Metropolitan University**
Part-time Lecturer, Oslo Business School
- 2017–21 **University of Chicago, USA**
Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Economics
- 2016–17 **Institute for Fiscal Studies, UK**
Research Economist, Center for Public Policy
- 2015–16 **Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago, USA**
Visiting Predoctoral Scholar
- 2012–21 **Statistics Norway**
Research Fellow, Unit for Labour Markets and Taxes
- 2009–10 **Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany**
Research Assistant, Chair for Macroeconomics
- 2007–08 **Institute for Employment Research, Germany**
Researcher, Institutions and Macroeconomic Labor Market Analysis

Education

- Ph.D. University College London, UK, Economics, 2017
- Diplom Julius-Maximilians Universität Würzburg, Germany, Economics, 2009

Research fields

Labor economics; public economics; macroeconomics; applied econometrics

Publications

Articles in peer-reviewed academic journals

- [1] “How Americans Respond to Idiosyncratic and Exogenous Changes in Household Wealth and Unearned Income” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 139 (2024): 1321–1395
co-authors: M. Golosov, M. Mogstad, D. Novgorodsky
- [2] “Unemployment and Vacancy Dynamics with Imperfect Financial Markets”
Labour Economics 50 (2018): 128–143; co-authors: C. Carrillo-Tudela, K. Wälde
- [3] “Labor Income Dynamics and the Insurance from Taxes, Transfers, and the Family”
Journal of Public Economics 127 (2015): 58–73; co-authors: R. Blundell, M. Mogstad
- [4] “Publish or Perish? The increasing importance of publications for prospective economics professors in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland” *German Economic Review* 9 (2008): 457–472
co-authors: A. Launov, K. Wälde

Working papers

[1] “Nurses’ education, employment, and heterogeneous effects of admission”
co-authors: L. J. Kirkebøen

[2] “High Frequency Income Dynamics”
Revised and resubmitted to *The Scandinavian Journal of Economics*
co-authors: J. Druedahl, T. Jørgensen

[3] “Substitution and Income Effects of Labor Income Taxation”
co-authors: M. Håvarstein, M. Mogstad, G. Torsvik, O. Vestad

[4] “Partial Insurance with Earnings, Incomes and Housing”
co-authors: R. Blundell, M. Kellogg, M. Mogstad

Other non-peer-reviewed contributions (in Norwegian)

[1] “Kompetansebehov i arbeidsmarkedet og tilbudet av sykepleiere”
Økonomiske Analyser (2025): 63–74; co-authors: Lars Kirkebøen, Trond Christian Vigtel

[2] “Utfordringer for lønnsdannelsen og norsk økonomi”
SSB Rapporter 47 (2023); co-authors: Geir H. M. Bjertnæs, Pål Boug, Thomas von Brasch, Brita Bye, Ådne Cappelen, Taran Fæhn, Thomas S. Gundersen, Roger Hammersland, Erling Holmøy, Håvard Hungnes, Marek Jasinski, Kevin R. Kaushal, Dag Kolsrud, Ewoud Quaghebeur, Julia Skretting, Nils Martin Stølen, Håkon Tretvoll og Trond Christian Vigtel

[3] “Utdanning og Yrke”
SSB Rapporter 7 (2023); co-authors: Lars Kirkebøen, Trond Christian Vigtel

[4] “Hvordan bør sentralbanken håndtere importert prisvekst?”
Dagens Næringsliv, March 10th, 2023; co-authors: Pål Boug, Thomas von Brasch

Research grants

2026–29 Research Council of Norway (RCN) (approx. \$390,000), Role: PI
Project title: “Households Exposed: Leverage, Asset Prices, and Consumption Risk”

2021–26 Research Council of Norway (RCN) (314283) (approx. \$1,300,000), Role: Project member
Project title: “Causes and Consequences of Labor Market Inequality”

2021–22 Norwegian Ministry of Finance (approx. \$200,000), Role: Co-PI
Project title: “Behavioral Responses to Income Taxation”

Honors / Awards / Scholarships

2015–16 Andrew & Betsy Rosenfield Scholarship
Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago

2014 Nomination for the Lindau Meeting on Economic Sciences, University College London

2012–15 Graduate Scholarship, Institute for Fiscal Studies, UK

2012 Excellence in Teaching, Department of Economics, University College London

2010–12 Impact Scholarship, University College London

2009 Best Graduate in Economics and Business Administration, Universität Würzburg

Professional Service

Refereeing: Journals

American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, Economic Journal, International Economic Review, European Economic Review, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Journal of Economics and Statistics, Economic Inquiry, The BE Journal of Theoretical Economics, Review of Economics of the Household

Refereeing: Funding Agencies

German Research Foundation, Austrian Academy of Sciences

Organization

- 2023 Member of the Scientific Committee for the Annual Conference of the International Association of Applied Econometrics (IAAE)
- 2015 Organization Committee for the Inaugural RES Symposium for Junior Researchers, Royal Economic Society, UK
- 2013–15 Coordinator, European Network for Training in Economic Research, University College London

Conferences and Invited Seminars

- 2025 Oslo Metropolitan University
- 2024 UCL PhD Economics Alumni Conference; Oslo Macro Group
- 2023 U Edinburgh, U Hamburg; Workshop on Labor Markets, U Mannheim; Ausschuss für Sozialpolitik, Nuremberg; Lofoten International Symposium on Inequality and Taxation.
- 2022 German Economists Abroad Meeting
- 2021 Zeuthen Workshop on Inequality and Public Policy; ZEW Taxation Conference; U Essex; U Mainz; Center for Economic Studies, Munich.
- 2019 Conference on New Consumption Data; Statistics Norway; U Copenhagen; Conference on Consumption Smoothing, Partial Insurance and Labour Supply, UCL & IFS.
- 2018 Nordic Macroeconomic Conference; NBER Trans-atlantic Public Economics Seminar.
- 2017 Seoul National University; Search and Matching Workshop, U Bristol; ENTER Jamboree; Macro Marrakech.
- 2016 Institute for Fiscal Studies; European Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society.
- 2014 European Meeting of the Econometric Society; IZA Summer School; BI Norwegian Business School; Search and Matching Workshop, U Essex.
- 2013 ENTER Jamboree; Public Economics UK Conference; Institute for Fiscal Studies; Conference on Matching, Theory and Estimation, Sciences Po Paris.

Teaching experience

- 2024 Business Decision-Making Using Data, Oslo Metropolitan University, Lecturer
- 2012–14 Advanced Macroeconomics, University College London, Teaching Assistant
- 2011 Intermediate Microeconomics, University College London, Teaching Assistant
- 2010 Behavioral and Emotional Economics, Universität Mainz, Teaching Assistant
- 2010 The Econometrics of Labor Markets, Universität Mainz, Teaching Assistant
- 2009 Emotions and Decisions, Universität Mainz, Teaching Assistant

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