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Research Fields: Public Economics, Labor Economics, Normative Economics
Research Topics: Inequality, Intergenerational Mobility, Skill Formation, Gender

EMPLOYMENT

2023 –	University of Bristol	Senior Lecturer
2021 –	University of Bristol	Lecturer

AFFILIATIONS

2022 –	HCEO	Network Member
2022 –	IFS	Research Associate
2021 –	CESifo	Research Affiliate
2021 –	LSE International Inequality Institute	Network Member
2021 –	IZA	Research Fellow

PUBLICATIONS

B. Arold, P. Hufe, and M. Stöckli (forthcoming). “Genetic Endowments, Educational Outcomes and the Moderating Influence of School Quality”. *Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics*

N. T. Borgen, R. G. Cheesman, P. Hufe, and A. M. J. Sandsør (2025). “The Genetic Lottery Goes to School: Better Schools Compensate for the Effects of Students Genetic Differences”. *Proceedings of the National Academy of the Sciences* 122 (43), e2511715122

P. Hufe, M. Kobus, A. Peichl, and P. Schüle (2025). “Multidimensional Equality of Opportunity in the United States”. *European Economic Review* 180, p. 105162

I. Almås, P. Hufe, and D. Weishaar (2025). “Experimental Evidence on Attitudes Toward Inequality and Fairness”. *Annual Review of Economics* 17, pp. 721–746

P. Hufe and D. Weishaar (2025). “Just Cheap Talk? Investigating Fairness Preferences in Hypothetical Scenarios”. *Journal of Economic Inequality* 23, pp. 881–907

P. Brunori, P. Hufe, and D. Mahler (2023). “The Roots of Inequality: Estimating Inequality of Opportunity from Regression Trees and Forests”. *Scandinavian Journal of Economics* 125 (4), pp. 900–932

P. Hufe, R. Kanbur, and A. Peichl (2022). “Measuring Unfair Inequality: Reconciling Equality of Opportunity and Freedom from Poverty”. *Review of Economic Studies* 89 (6), pp. 3345–3380

P. Hufe, A. Peichl, and D. Weishaar (2022). “Lower and Upper Bound Estimates of Inequality of Opportunity for Emerging Economies”. *Social Choice and Welfare* 58, pp. 395–427

P. Hufe and A. Peichl (2020). “Beyond Equal Rights: Equality of Opportunity in Political Participation”. *Review of Income and Wealth* 66 (3), pp. 477–511

P. Hufe, A. Peichl, J. E. Roemer, and M. Ungerer (2017). “Inequality of Income Acquisition: The Role of Childhood Circumstances”. *Social Choice and Welfare* 143 (3–4), pp. 499–544

WORK IN PROGRESS

P. Hufe (ongoing). “The Parental Wage Gap and the Development of Socio-emotional Skills in Children”. *Submitted*

P. Hufe, S. Settele, and F. Valder (ongoing). “Child penalties unpacked: The effect of beliefs and preferences on time allocation in the early stages of parenthood”. *Data collection*

OTHER WRITING AND POLICY BRIEFS

O. M. Garbasevski, H. Taubenböck, P. Schüle, J. Baarck, P. Hufe, M. Wurm, and A. Peichl (2023). “Learning income levels and inequality from spatial and sociodemographic data in Germany”. *Applied Geography* 159, p. 103058

I. Almås, P. Hufe, and D. Weishaar (2023). “Equality of Opportunity: Fairness preferences and beliefs about inequality”. *Handbook of Equality of Opportunity*. Ed. by M. Sardoc. Heidelberg: Springer

P. Hufe (2022). “Unfair Inequality: From Measurement to Causal Drivers”. *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics* 15 (1), pp. 167–171

P. Hufe, A. Peichl, P. Schüle, and J. Todorovic (2022). “Fairness in Europe: A Multidimensional Comparison”. *CESifo forum* 23 (1), pp. 45–51

- P. Hufe, A. Peichl, and M. Stöckli (2018). "Ökonomische Ungleichheit in Deutschland—ein Überblick". *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* 19 (3), pp. 185–199
- P. Hufe, A. Peichl, and D. Weishaar (2018). "Intergenerational Income Stability: Is Germany Lagging Behind?" *ifo Schnelldienst* 71 (20), pp. 20–28
- P. Brunori, P. Hufe, and D. G. Mahler (2018). "The Roots of Inequality—Is Inequality also Unjust?" *ifo Schnelldienst* 71 (5), pp. 18–22
- P. Hufe and D. F. Heuermann (2017). "The local impacts of large-scale land acquisitions: a review of case study evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa". *Journal of Contemporary African Studies* 35 (2), pp. 168–189

TEACHING

2025	Applied Economics (MRes)	Unit Director
2023	Applied Economics (MSc)	Unit Co-Director
2022–2023	Applied Economic Dissertations (BSc)	Co-Lecturer
2022	The Economy (BSc)	Unit Co-Director
2021	Current Economic Problems (BSc)	Co-Lecturer
2018–2020	Advanced Topics on Inequality (MSc)	Teaching Assistant
2015–2017	Equality of Opportunity (BSc)	Unit Director
2012	Advanced International Macroeconomics (M.Sc.)	Teaching Assistant
—	6 Bachelor and 17 Master theses	Supervisor

EDUCATION

2014 – 2021	Ph.D. Economics	LMU Munich
2011 – 2013	M.A. Philosophy & Economics	University of Bayreuth
2008 – 2011	B.Sc. Business Administration/Economics	WHU Vallendar

RESEARCH VISITS

March/April 2020	NHH Bergen	Host: Bertil Tungodden
Feb – Oct 2019	Princeton University	Host: Marc Fleurbaey
March 2017/Nov 2018	Cornell University	Host: Ravi Kanbur

RESEARCH GRANTS

2024–2028	<i>UKRI Future Leaders Fellowship: (Un)Fair inequality in the labor market: A global study (GBP 1,524,846, PI)</i>	
2024–2028	<i>Rockwool Foundation: Child penalties unpacked: The effect of beliefs and preferences on time allocation in the early stages of parenthood (DKK 1,196,750, Co-PI)</i>	
2023–2026	<i>Riksbankens Jubileumsfond: (Un)Fair inequality in the labor market: A global study (SEK 7,800,000, Co-PI)</i>	
2023–2027	<i>EU Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) and UKRI: European Social Science Genetics Doctoral Network (ESSGN) (EUR 2,900,000, Co-I)</i>	
2022–2023	<i>University of Bristol, Grant Capture Fund: Gendered life-cycle choices (GBP 3,000, Co-PI)</i>	
2022–2023	<i>University of Cologne, Center for Social and Economic Behavior Start-Up Grant: Military Service and Gender Roles (EUR 2,663, Co-PI)</i>	
2022–2023	<i>British Academy Talent Development Awards: Inequality and Perceived Unfairness—An Experimental Validation (GBP 10,000, Co-PI)</i>	
2022–2023	<i>University of Bristol, Grant Capture Fund: Inequality and Perceived Unfairness—An Experimental Validation (GBP 5,000, Co-PI)</i>	
2021–2022	<i>CRC TRR 190 Supplementary Project: Inequality and Perceived Unfairness—An Experimental Validation (EUR 10,000, Co-PI)</i>	
2020–2023	<i>Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Subjective Health Perceptions and Economic Preferences (EUR 170,000, member of the project team)</i>	
2020–2024	<i>Volkswagen Foundation: Inequalities – A Novel Look at Socio-Economic Inequalities using Machine Learning Techniques and Integrated Data Sources (EUR 1,500,000, member of the project team)</i>	
2018–2021	<i>NORFACE ERA-NET DIAL: The impact of childhood circumstances on individual outcomes over the life-course (EUR 1,500,000, member of the project team)</i>	
2018–2021	<i>DFG-NCN: Multidimensional Equality of Opportunity (EUR 600,000, member of the project team)</i>	

PERSONAL PRIZES AND GRANTS

2024	<i>Joachim R. Frick Memorial Prize</i> : Prize for best paper presented at SOEP User Conference (EUR 1,500)
2021	<i>HCEO Dissertation Prize</i> : Prize for best dissertation in HCEO network (USD 1,500)
2021	<i>VAC Dissertation Prize</i> : Prize for best dissertation at LMU Munich (EUR 5,000)
2019	<i>Fritz Thyssen Foundation</i> : Travel grant for research stay at Princeton University
2013	<i>Carlo Schmid Program</i> : Full scholarship for work with the UN Development Group
2010	<i>German Foreign Exchange Service</i> : Full scholarship for exchange at HEC Montréal

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Conference Organization:	BÆM: Fairness in the Economy, May 2026, Bristol (Chair) EEA 2025, August 2024, Bordeaux (Selection Committee Public Economics) BÆM: Gender, Diversity, and Human Capital, May 2025, Bristol (Co-Chair) European Social Science Genomics Network Conference 2025 (Co-Chair) EEA 2024, August 2024, Rotterdam (Selection Committee Public Economics) BÆM: Economic Policy, May 2024, Bristol (Chair) Bristol Economic Policy Workshop, May 2023, Bristol (Chair) Genes, Social Mobility, and Ineq. across the Life-Course, July 2021, Munich (Chair) Opportunities, Mobility and Well-Being, April 2021, Munich (Chair) Opportunities, Mobility and Well-Being, July 2019, Warsaw (Chair)
Peer Review:	<i>American Economic Journal: Applied Economics</i> (1), <i>China Economic Review</i> (1), <i>Economics of Education Review</i> (2), <i>Education Economics</i> (1), <i>Economic Journal</i> (1), <i>Economics Letters</i> (1), <i>Health Economics</i> (1), <i>International Journal of Public Opinion Research</i> (1), <i>Journal of Political Economy</i> (1), <i>Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics</i> (1), <i>Journal of Public Economics</i> (4), <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i> (1), <i>Journal of Economic Inequality</i> (10), <i>Journal of Health Economics</i> (1), <i>Nature: Communications</i> (1), <i>npj Science of Learning</i> (1), <i>Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics</i> (1), <i>Oxford Open Economics</i> (1), <i>Regional Science, Policy and Practice</i> (1), <i>Review of Economics and Statistics</i> (2), <i>Review of Economic Studies</i> (2), <i>Review of Income and Wealth</i> (1), <i>Scandinavian Journal of Economics</i> (1), <i>Social Choice and Welfare</i> (4), <i>Social Forces</i> (1), <i>Sociological Methods and Research</i> (1), <i>World Bank Economic Review</i> (1), <i>World Development</i> (1), <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> (1)
Grant Assessment:	ANR (French National Research Agency) (1), DFG (German Research Foundation) (1), ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council) (6), Keynes Fund (1), Leverhulme Trust (1), LISER CORE (1)
Memberships:	ESRC Peer Review College

PRESENTATIONS

2026	Conference on The Role of Social Preferences and Social Norms in Economic Life (Zurich), Erasmus University (Rotterdam), SOFI (Stockholm), Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)
2025	University of Padova, ESPE (Naples), ifo Lunchtime Seminar (Munich), Workshop of Political Economy of Global Development Lab (Stuttgart), LISIT 2025 (Svolvær), University of Manchester, Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)
2024	WU Wien, Workshop on Early Investments, Family Well-Being, and Child Development (Rodvig), GSOEP User Conference 2024 (Berlin), European Social Science Genomics Network (Rotterdam), ifo Fürth, University College London
2023	VATT Helsinki, University of Cambridge, Paris School of Economics, University of Oslo, LSE Opportunity and Mobility Workshop (London), DIW Berlin, CEHD (University of Chicago)
2022	University of Chicago, IZA Workshop on the Economics of Education, CESifo Area Conference on Economics of Education 2022 (Munich), EALE 2022 (Padova), CESifo Venice Summer Institute 2022, University of Cologne, University of Copenhagen, European Social Science Genomics Network (Bologna), University of Southern California
2021	SOLE (Virtual), EALE (Virtual), ESPE (Virtual), ECINEQ (Virtual), CRC TR224 Workshop "The causes and consequences of inequality" (Virtual)

2020	ESWM (Nottingham), DIAL Workshop on “Intergenerational Mobility and Human Capital Accumulation” (NHH Bergen), EALE-SOLE (Berlin), Econometric Society World Congress (Milan), EEA (Rotterdam), Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)
2019	IIPF Annual Congress (Glasgow), ECINEQ Meeting (Paris), HCEO Summer School (Bergen), DIW Applied Micro-Seminar, Munich Young Economists Meeting (Kochel am See), Health and Well-Being Seminar (Princeton), Social Ethics Discussion Group (Princeton), Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)
2018	25th BGPE Research Workshop (Bamberg), Journées LAGV (Aix-en-Provence), Evidence-Based Economics Summer Meeting (Herrsching), IIPF Annual Congress (Tampere), IARIW General Conference (Copenhagen), NTA Annual Congress (New Orleans), LMU Public Economics Seminar (Munich), Cornell Labor Economics Seminar (Ithaca), Equal Chances Workshop (Bari), Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)
2017	Journées LAGV (Aix-en-Provence), IIPF Doctoral School (Munich), ZEW Public Finance Conference (Mannheim), ECINEQ Meeting (New York), Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)
2016	Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Lisbon), Journées LAGV (Aix-en-Provence), HCEO Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality (Bonn), Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei)

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