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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	UCL Social Research Institute, University College London	
	Associate Professor of Sociology	2022–
	Nuffield College, University of Oxford	
	Associate Member	2022–
	Nonstipendiary Research Fellow	2020–2022
	Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow	2017–2020
	Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm University	
	Associate Professor	2023–
	Researcher	2017–2022
	Doctoral Student	2012–2017
	Research Assistant	2011–2012
VISITING POSITIONS	Leverhulme Centre for Demographic Science, University of Oxford	
	Research Fellow	2020–2022
	Institute for Futures Studies, Stockholm	
	Research Assistant	2015–2017
	MIT Sloan School of Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2023
	Visiting Scholar (6 months)	
	Sciences Po, Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Evaluation of Public Policies	2022
	International Scholar in Policy Evaluation (1 month)	
	Stanford Center on Poverty and Inequality, Stanford University	2014
	Visiting Scholar (3 months)	
ACADEMIC DEGREES	Docent (Associate Professor), Sociology, Stockholm University	2023
	PhD, Sociology, Stockholm University	2017
	BA, Education, Stockholm University	2008
HONOURS AND PRIZES	Fulbright Scholarship for research stay in the United States, academic year 2022–2023 (declined)	2022
	Cozzarelli Prize in recognition of outstanding scientific quality and originality, National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America	2022
	O2RB Excellence in Impact Awards for data driven policy interventions during COVID-19 (with the Leverhulme Centre for Demographic Science)	2021
	Prize Research Fellow, Nuffield College, University of Oxford	2017
	Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Scholarship for 1 year of study in Japan	2005

* = Graduate student/postdoc coauthor at the time of writing

Engzell, P., and Mood, C. (2023). “Understanding Patterns and Trends in Income Mobility through Multiverse Analysis”. *American Sociological Review*, 88(4), 600-626 [Lead article].

Engzell, P., and *Raabe, I. (2023). “Within-School Achievement Sorting in Comprehensive and Tracked Systems”. *Sociology of Education*, 96(4), 324-343.

*Berger, T., Engzell, P., *Eriksson, B., and *Molinder, J. (2023). “Social Mobility in Sweden Before the Welfare State”. *Journal of Economic History*, 83(2), 431-463.

Bethhäuser, B., *Bach-Mortensen A. M., and Engzell, P. (2023). “A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of the Evidence on Learning During the COVID-19 Pandemic”. *Nature Human Behaviour*, 7, 375-385.

Engzell, P. (2023). “A Universe of Uncertainty Hiding in Plain Sight”. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 120(2), e2218530120.

*Berger, T., and Engzell, P. (2022). “Industrial Automation and Intergenerational Income Mobility in the United States”. *Social Science Research*, 104, 102686.

Engzell, P., *Frey, A., and *Verhagen, M. D. (2021). “Learning Loss Due to School Closures During the COVID-19 Pandemic”. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 118(17), e2022376118. [Cover article]

Engzell, P. (2021). “What Do Books in the Home Proxy For? A Cautionary Tale”. *Sociological Methods & Research*, 50(4), 1487-1514. [Lead article]

Engzell, P., and *Rohrer, J. (2021). “Improving Social Science: Lessons from the Open Science Movement”. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 54(2), 297-300.

Engzell, P., and *Tropf, F. C. (2020). “Heritability of Education Remains Associated with Social Mobility”. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 117(46), 28566-28567.

Engzell, P., Mood, C., and Jonsson, J. O. (2020). “It’s All about the Parents: Inequality Transmission across Three Generations in Sweden”. *Sociological Science*, 7, 242-267.

*Berger, T., and Engzell, P. (2020). “Trends and Disparities in Subjective Upward Mobility since 1940”. *Socius*, 6, 1-11.

Engzell, P., and *Ichou, M. (2020). “Status Loss: The Burden of Positively Selected Immigrants”. *International Migration Review*, 54(2), 471-495.

Engzell, P., and *Tropf, F. C. (2019). “Heritability of Education Rises with Intergenerational Mobility”. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 116(51), 25386-25388.

*Berger, T., and Engzell, P. (2019). “American Geography of Opportunity Reveals European Origins”. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 116(13), 6045-6050.

Engzell, P. (2019). “Aspiration Squeeze: The Struggle of Children to Positively Selected Immigrants”. *Sociology of Education*, 92(1), 83-103.

Engzell, P., and Jonsson, J. O. (2015). “Estimating Social and Ethnic Inequality in School Surveys: Biases from Child Misreporting and Parent Nonresponse”. *European Sociological*

Review, 31(3), 312-325.

*Parameshwaran, M. and Engzell, P. (2015). "Ethnicity in England: What Parents' Country of Birth Can and Can't Tell Us about Their Children's Ethnic Identification". *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 41(3), 399-424.

WORKING PAPERS

Engzell, P., and Wilmers, N. "Firms and the Intergenerational Transmission of Labor Market Advantage". Revision requested, *American Journal of Sociology*. <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/mv3e9>

Engzell, P., and Hällsten, M. "A Caution on the Discordant Parenting Design". Revision requested, *European Sociological Review*. <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/rx4z6>

*Granström, O., and Engzell, P. "The Geography of Intergenerational Mobility in Europe". Revision requested, *European Societies*. <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/gzwha>

*Strömberg, E., and Engzell, P. "How Robust are Country Rankings in Educational Mobility?". <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/9zkc2>

INVITED TALKS

"How Has the Rise of Women's Earnings Affected Absolute Income Mobility?"
Vienna University of Economics and Business May 2024
University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Nov 2023

"Within-School Achievement Sorting in Comprehensive and Tracked Systems"
University of Oxford, Department of Social Policy and Intervention Feb 2024
Stockholm School of Economics, Center for Educational Leadership and Excellence Nov 2023

"Understanding Patterns and Trends in Income Mobility through Multiverse Analysis"
UNED Madrid, Center for Inequality and Social Demography Research Sep 2023
New York University, Center for Advanced Social Science Research Apr 2023
University of Munich, Department of Sociology May 2022
European Commission, Seminar on Social Classes in the Digital Age May 2022
University College London, Department of Quantitative Social Science Nov 2019
Lund University, Centre for Economic Demography Oct 2019

"Firms and the Intergenerational Transmission of Labor Market Advantage"
Bocconi University, Dondena Centre for Research on Social Dynamics Feb 2024
MIT & Harvard University, Economic Sociology Seminar May 2023
Imperial College London, London Inequality Workshop Feb 2023
Rockwool Foundation, Copenhagen Dec 2022
Sciences Po, Observatory for Social Change Apr 2022
Cornell University, Center for the Study of Inequality Feb 2022
European University Institute, CLIC Research Center Feb 2022
University of Wisconsin–Madison, Center for Demography and Ecology Jan 2022
University of Konstanz, Colloquium for Empirical Social Research Nov 2021

"Lasting Effects of Temporary School Closures"
University of Pennsylvania, Department of Sociology Apr 2023
Swedish Institute for Social Research, Economics Brown Bag Dec 2022
University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology Dec 2022
London School of Economics, Education Work-in-Progress Seminar Feb 2023
University of Toronto, Data, Equity, and Policy in Education Lab Jan 2023
University of Oxford, Department of Social Policy and Intervention Nov 2022

“Learning Loss Due to School Closures During the COVID-19 Pandemic”	
University of Pennsylvania, Department of Sociology	Apr 2023
University of Copenhagen, Center for Social Data Science	Nov 2021
University of Zürich, Sociology Research Colloquium	Apr 2021
European Commission, Community of Practice on Fairness	Apr 2021
University of Southern Denmark, Center on Population Dynamics	Feb 2021
Kadir Has University, Department of Economics	Feb 2021
World Bank, Education Global Practice Seminar	Jan 2021
OECD Education & Skills Forum	Oct 2020
“Birth Order at the Top of the Earnings Distribution”	
European University Institute, Workshop on Compensatory Advantage	Jun 2022
“Inequality Transmission across Three Generations in Sweden”	
University of Oslo, Department of Sociology and Human Geography	Sep 2020
“Social Mobility in Sweden Before the Welfare State”	
Center for Research in Economics and Statistics (CREST), Paris	Jun 2020
European University Institute, CLIC Research Center*	Mar 2020
London School of Economics, Historical Economic Demography Workshop	Jan 2020
Swedish Institute for Social Research, Sociology Seminar	Jan 2020
* = cancelled due to COVID-19	
“Heritability of Education Rises with Intergenerational Mobility”	
University of Oxford, Department of Education, Quantitative Methods Hub	Apr 2019
“Is There a Statistical Crisis in Sociology? Should There Be?”	
University of Oxford, Nuffield College Sociology Seminar	Oct 2017

FUNDING OBTAINED	Co-investigator on research grants totalling the equivalent of \$19 million USD.	
	Swedish Research Council, “Surnames and Social Mobility Across Three Centuries”. PI: Martin Kolk.	4 802 000 SEK 2023–2025
	Russell Sage Foundation, “Firms and the Labor Market Determinants of Economic Mobility”. PI: Per Engzell and Nathan Wilmers.	30 500 USD 2022–2023
	Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), “The Connecting Generations Centre (CGC)”. PI: Jane Falkingham.	8 260 000 GBP 2022–2026
	The Jan Wallander and Tom Hedelius Foundation, “Intergenerational Mobility in Sweden Before and After the Welfare State”. PI: Thor Berger.	1 500 000 SEK 2021–2024
	Nordforsk Nordic–British Research Programme on Migration, “Structural, Cultural and Social Integration among Youth”. PI: Carina Mood.	12 995 948 NOK 2020–2023
	Swedish Research Council, “Integration of Youth in Sweden in a Multidimensional Perspective”. PI: Jan O. Jonsson	5 859 293 SEK 2020–2023
	Swedish Research Council, “The Shadow of Peasant Past: The Impact of Past Generations on Living Conditions in Contemporary Sweden”. PI: Martin Hällsten.	4 615 780 SEK 2020–2023
	Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare, “The	4 200 000 SEK

	Shadow of Peasant Past: The Impact of Past Generations on Living Conditions in Contemporary Sweden”. PI: Martin Hällsten.	2020–2022
	Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare, “Interlocking Inequalities: A Multidimensional Perspective on Inequality in Contemporary Sweden”. PI: Carina Mood.	23 034 800 SEK 2018–2023
	Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare, “Children’s Living Conditions in a Changing Society: Socioeconomic and Ethnic Inequality”. PI: Jan O. Jonsson.	6 000 000 SEK 2013–2018
	Swedish Research Council, “How Do Educational Systems Produce Ethnic and Social Inequality?”. PI: Jan O. Jonsson.	9 212 000 SEK 2012–2016
TEACHING AND MENTORING	PhD students (graduation year)	
	Max Thaning, Stockholm University	2023
	Xiaojie Xu, Stockholm University	Expected 2025
	Danilo Kuzmanic, University College London	Expected 2026
	Olivia Granström, Stockholm University	Expected 2028
	Graduate courses	
	Social Stratification, Stockholm University	2021–2024
	Comparative Education Policy, University of Oxford	2020–2021
	Intermediate Quantitative Methods, University of Oxford	2017
	Sociological Perspectives on Study and Career Choices, Stockholm University	2015
	Undergraduate courses	
	Social Change within Contemporary Society, University College London	2023
	Social Inequality and Mobility, University College London	2023
	Principles of Social Science Research, University College London	2022
	Sociological Theory, University of Oxford	2022
	Quantitative Methods and Thesis Writing, Stockholm University	2015–2017
	Undergraduate tutorials	
	Classical Sociological Theory, St Catherine’s College, Oxford	2020
	Social Stratification, St Catherine’s College, Oxford	2020
	Academic workshops	
	Social Media for Academics, ASA International Migration Section	2023
	Early Career Workshop, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen	2021
	Advanced PhD Workshop, European University Institute, Florence	2020
	Supervision	
	MA/MSc students: 4 completed	
	BA/BSc students: 11 completed	
	Term papers: 21 completed	
	Mentor for visiting scholar Erik Liss, University College London	2022–
	Personal tutor to 10 undergraduate students annually including academic support, pastoral care, career guidance, and references, University College London	2022–

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	Associate Editor	
	<i>Research in Social Stratification and Mobility</i>	2023–
	<i>European Sociological Review</i>	2023–
	Editorial Board Member	
	<i>Research in Social Stratification and Mobility</i>	2022–2023
	External Grant Reviewer	
	European Research Council	2021
	Nuffield Foundation	2021
	TrygFonden Denmark	2021
	Conference Organizer	
	Historical Social Mobility Workshop, Nuffield College, University of Oxford	2020
	Aage Sørensen Memorial Conference, Stockholm University	2016
	Seminar Convenor	
	Quantitative Social Science Seminar, University College London	2022–2023
	Sociology Seminar, Nuffield College, University of Oxford	2018
	Session Organizer	
	ISA World Congress of Sociology, Melbourne	2023
	World Economic History Congress, Paris	2022
	Hiring Committees	
	LCDS DPhil and MPhil Scholarships, University of Oxford	2021
	2 Researcher positions, Nuffield College, University of Oxford	2020
	2 Researcher positions, Stockholm University	2020
	2 PhD student positions, Stockholm University	2020
	Scientific Advisor, the British Cohort Studies, Centre for Longitudinal Studies	2023–
	Local Coordinator, National Centre for Research Methods (NCRM)	2022–
	Occasional reviewer for <i>American Sociological Review</i> , <i>American Journal of Sociology</i> , <i>Demography</i> , <i>Social Forces</i> , <i>Sociological Science</i> , <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> , <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences</i> , <i>Science Advances</i> , <i>Nature Human Behaviour</i> , <i>Sociological Methods & Research</i> , <i>Sociology of Education</i> , <i>Social Science Research</i> , <i>Research in Social Stratification and Mobility</i> , <i>Socius</i> , <i>Sociological Forum</i> , <i>European Sociological Review</i> , <i>European Societies</i> , <i>Acta Sociologica</i> , <i>Population Studies</i> , <i>Social Indicators Research</i> , <i>Advances in Life Course Research</i> , <i>British Educational Research Journal</i> , <i>Economics of Education Review</i> , <i>Education Finance and Policy</i> , <i>Ethnic and Racial Studies</i> , <i>European Journal of Education</i> , <i>International Migration Review</i> , <i>Journal of Economic Inequality</i> , <i>Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies</i> , <i>npj Science of Learning</i> , <i>PNAS Nexus</i> , <i>Poetics</i> , <i>Social Science & Medicine</i> , <i>Social Science History</i> , <i>Survey Research Methods</i> , <i>World Development</i> .	
POLICY EXPERIENCE	Expert Advisor	
	Department for Education, Open Innovation Team, UK Government	Apr 2021
	Minister for Education, Government of Sweden	Jan 2021
	Invited Speaker	
	European Commission, Joint Research Centre	May 2022
	European Commission, Joint Research Centre	Apr 2021
	World Bank Education Global Practice Seminar	Jan 2021

	OECD Education & Skills Forum, Paris	Oct 2020
	Swedish National Agency for Education	Jun 2018
	Swedish Network for Municipal Learning Centers	May 2017
	Swedish Network for Widening University Access	Apr 2017
POPULAR WRITING	“Teacher Strikes: What Consequences for Pupils?” <i>Economics Observatory</i> (link ↗)	Jan 2023
	“What Have Two Years of Interrupted Schooling Taught Us About Learning?” <i>Economics Observatory</i> (link ↗)	May 2022
	“The Collateral Damage to Children’s Education During Lockdown”. <i>VoxEU</i> (link ↗)	Nov 2020
	“How Do School Closures Affect Student Learning? It’s Worse Than You Think”. <i>Population Europe</i> (link ↗)	Nov 2020
	“What Studying Twins Tells Us about Inequality of Educational Opportunity”. <i>ASA Work in Progress</i> (link ↗)	Mar 2020
	“Nature, Nurture, and Intergenerational Mobility”. <i>VoxEU</i> (link ↗)	Jan 2020
	“The Long Arm of the Family”. <i>Population Europe</i> (link ↗)	Dec 2019
	“Brave Old World: Immigration, Inequality and Intergenerational Mobility”. <i>VoxEU</i> (link ↗)	Mar 2019
MEDIA COVERAGE	Research covered by <i>The Economist</i> , <i>Financial Times</i> , <i>The New York Times</i> , <i>Time Magazine</i> , <i>Newsweek</i> , <i>Washington Post</i> , <i>New York Magazine</i> , <i>New York Post</i> , <i>Politico</i> , <i>Salon</i> , <i>Bloomberg</i> , <i>The Telegraph</i> , <i>The Spectator</i> , <i>The Daily Mail</i> , <i>New Statesman</i> , <i>The Hill</i> , <i>Times Higher Education</i> , <i>Der Spiegel</i> , <i>Der Standard</i> , <i>Der Tagesspiegel</i> , <i>de Volkskrant</i> , <i>Libération</i> , <i>Le Parisien</i> , <i>La Croix</i> , <i>Le Soir</i> , <i>Le Devoir</i> , <i>Atlantico</i> , <i>El País</i> , <i>Expansión</i> , <i>La Vanguardia</i> , <i>Le Scienze</i> , <i>Irish Examiner</i> , <i>Irish Times</i> , <i>Haaretz</i> , <i>Al Jazeera</i> , <i>The Hindu</i> , <i>Sydney Morning Herald</i> , <i>CNN</i> , <i>CBS</i> , <i>NBC</i> , <i>ABC</i> , <i>Fox</i> , <i>USA Today</i> , and featured on podcasts such as <i>The Weeds</i> and <i>PNAS Science Sessions</i> .	
CONFERENCES (SELECTED)	ISA RC28 Social Stratification and Mobility, Ann Arbor, August 2023 · Population Association of America (PAA), New Orleans, April 2023 · American Sociological Association (ASA), Los Angeles, August 2022 · European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Amsterdam, July 2022 · ISA RC28 Social Stratification and Mobility, London, April 2022 · In_equality Conference, Konstanz, April 2022 · ISA RC28 Social Stratification and Mobility, Turku, virtual event, June 2021 · Population Association of America (PAA), virtual event, April 2021 · Joint IZA & Jacobs Center Workshop, virtual event, October 2020 · Population Association of America (PAA), virtual event, April 2020 · European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Lausanne, September 2019 · European Conference on Social Networks (EUSN), Zürich, September 2019 · Population Association of America (PAA), Austin, April 2019 · Workshop on Sibling Models in Intergenerational Research, Nuffield College, Oxford, January 2019 · MZES Open Social Science Conference, Mannheim, January 2019 · European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Paris, October 2018 · Educational Inequality: Mechanisms and Institutions, Amsterdam Centre for Inequality Studies (AMCIS), July 2018 · European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Oxford, September 2016 · ISA RC28 Social Stratification and Mobility, Cologne, May 2016 · ISA RC28 Social Stratification and Mobility, Tilburg, May 2015 · Population Association of America (PAA), San Diego, May 2015.	

MEMBERSHIPS	American Sociological Association (ASA), Population Association of America (PAA), International Sociological Association Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28), European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR)
LANGUAGES	Swedish (native), English (fluent), Japanese (advanced)