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SENIOR ADVISER

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Professional Experience

Statistics Norway (SSB)

SENIOR ADVISER

2025 - present

- Producing statistics on company ownership structures in Norway.
General tasks related to statistics production, communication and analysis.

University of Oslo, Dep. Political Science

DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW

2021 - 2025

- Supervisors: Carl Henrik Knutsen (UiO), Martin Søyland (UiO), Erik Fjærli (SSB)

Statistics Norway (SSB)

SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2019 - 2025

- Producing statistics on R&D, technology and business dynamics.
Founder and leader of the department Innovation Team.
20% position from 2021 to 2025 besides doctoral work.

University of Oslo, Dep. Political Science

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

2017 - 2019

- Research assistant at the research project Disentangling the Economic Effects of Political Institutions (DEEPI)

Education

- 2016 - 2018 **Master Degree, Political Science**, University of Oslo
- 2013 - 2016 **Bachelor Degree, Political Science**, University of Oslo
- 2012 - 2013 **One Year Program, English**, NTNU Trondheim

Publications

PUBLISHED

- Bjørkholt, S.** (2025). "Presenting the StanDat Database on International Standards: Improving Data Accessibility on Marginal Topics". *Political Science Research and Methods*. 00(0): 1 - 19. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/psrm.2025.3>
- Bjørkholt, S.** and Søyland M. (2024). "The Drama is in the Ink: Conflict in Written Parliamentary Questions". *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 00(0): 1–7. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/lsq.12474>
- Fjærli, E., Rybalka, M. and **Bjørkholt, S.** (2019). Relational Capital. Do board networks exist and are they valuable? Statistics Norway report 2019/36

IN REVIEW

- Bjørkholt, S. (2025) "Legitimation Strategies in Transnational Private Governance: Evidence from of the International Organization for Standardization" *Regulation & Governance*
- Bjørkholt, S. (2025) "Technological Sovereignty in International Standardization: Patterns of Strategic Standardization and Geopolitical Rivalry" *Review of International Political Economy*

IN PREP

- Bjørkholt, S. (2025) "Achievement of Sustainable Development Goals and Standardization Participation at ISO: Entry and Exit Patterns"

Bjørkholt, S. and Søyland M. (2025) “Asking with Intent: On the Functions of Non-Legislative Activities”

Bjørkholt, S., Schmid, J.W., Nilsen, A., Nilsen, E.G. (2025) “Make war not love? Military performance and domestic support for dictators at war”

Grants

2022 **Småforsk (Small Research Grant)**, University of Oslo, Department of Political Science

2023 **Såkornmidler (Seed Funding) for Course Development**, University of Oslo, EILIN

Research Stays

Spring
2024 **Stockholm Center on Global Governance, SCGG**

Hosted by Prof. Jonas Tallberg

Autumn
2023 **University of Texas at Austin, UT Austin**

Hosted by Prof. John Gerring

Presentations

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

June 2025. *European Political Science Association (EPSA)*. Madrid, Spain.

June 2025. *European Forum for Studies of Policies for Research and Innovation (EU-Spri)*. Dortmund, Germany.

May 2025. *Workshop: Stockholm University*. Stockholm, Sweden.

June 2024. *Workshop: Crises, Depoliticization and the Rule of Law*. Kiel, Germany.

January 2024. *Norsk Statsvitenskapelig Fagkonferanse*. Stavanger, Norway.

August 2023. *American Political Science Association (APSA)*. Los Angeles, California, USA.

June 2023. *European Political Science Association (EPSA)*. Glasgow, Scotland.

January 2023. *Norsk Statsvitenskapelig Fagkonferanse*. Kristiansand, Norway.

June 2022. *European Political Science Association (EPSA)*. Prague, Czech Republic.

January 2022. *Norsk Statsvitenskapelig Fagkonferanse*. Oslo, Norway.

November 2020. *uRos, R in Official Statistics*. Online.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

June 2023. UNECE Machine Learning for Official Statistics Workshop. “Too good to be true? Machine learning in the editing process” with Eva Berner. Geneva, Switzerland.

March - April 2023. Norwegian Government Security and Service Organisation (DSS). *Ideathon Workshop* with Alex Moltzau. Oslo, Norway.

February 2023. Storebrand. “Data, Hackathon og Kvantitativ Statsvitenskap”. Oslo, Norway.

January 2023. The Norwegian Agency for Public and Financial Management (DFØ). “Too good to be true? Machine learning in the editing process”. Oslo, Norway.

November 2022. Nordisk Administrativt Forbund (NAF). “Samfunnsvitenskapelig datavitenskap i offentlig sektor”. Oslo, Norway.

September 2022. Forum for Studiespørsmål. “Samfunnsfag + Datavitenskap = SANT”. Oslo, Norway.

Teaching Experience

Spring 2025	FK3990 - Bachelor supervision , Lecturer	Oslo New University College
Spring 2025	STAT1210 - Komparativ politikk (Comparative politics) , Lecturer	Oslo New University College
Spring 2025	FORSK3210 - Statistikk (Statistics) , Lecturer	Oslo New University College
Fall 2024	MET2020 - Avanserte kvantitative metoder (Advanced quantitative methods) , Lecturer	University of South-Eastern Norway
Summer 2022, 2023	ISSSV1337 - Political Data Science Hackathon , Convener, Lecturer	International Summer School, UiO
Fall 2022	STV2022 - Store Tekstdata (Big Text Data) , Convener, Lecturer	Political Science dep., UiO
2022, 2023	Coffee and Coding , Convener, Seminar Leader	Political Science dep., UiO
Spring 2022, 2023	STV1020 - Forskningsdesign og kvantitativ metode (Research design and quantitative methods) , Lecturer, Seminar Leader	Political Science dep., UiO
Fall 2022	STV4020A - Forskningsmetode og statistikk (Research design and statistics) , Seminar Leader	Political Science dep., UiO
Spring 2019	STV1515 - Maskinl�ring og programmering for samfunnsvitere (Machine learning and programming for social scientists) , Seminar Leader	Political Science dep., UiO

Social Leadership

2021-2022	Faculty PhD Program Council , PhD Representative	University of Oslo
March 2022	Ideathon Organized for the Norwegian Ministries , Organizer and Leader	the Government Quarter
Summer 2022, 2023	Political Data Science Hackathon , Organizer and Leader	International Summer School
June 2022	Participation in Hack for Peace , Team Leader	
March 2022	Participation in USN Ideathon , Team Leader	University of South-Eastern Norway
2019 – 2021	Juss.ai , Co-Founder	

References

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