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EMPLOYMENT	Marie Curie Fellow Department of Political Science, Lund University	11/2021 - present
	Assistant Professor (on pregnancy sick leave from 11/2017 - 05/2018) Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, Denmark	01/2013-06/2018
CAREER BREAKS	Sick leave 100% from 01/06/2022 - 30/09/2022 75% from 01/10/2022 - 31/03/2023 50% from 01/04/2023 - 30/04/2023 25% from 01/05/2023 - 31/08/2023	01/06/2022 - 31/08/2023
	Pregnancy and maternity-related leave of absences Maternity-related sick leave (100%) Maternity leave (100%) Pregnancy sick leave (100%) Maternity-related sick leave (100%) Maternity leave (100%) Pregnancy sick leave (100%)	27/11/2017 to 31/10/2021 01/15/2021 to 31/10/2021 01/08/2020 to 30/04/2021 01/02/2020 to 23/06/2020 01/04/2019 to 31/01/2020 27/05/2018 to 31/03/2019 27/11/2017 to 24/05/2018
EFFECTIVE PH.D. YEARS	6 years and 5 months (as of March 2024)	
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles <i>Subfield Concentration:</i> Formal Theory and Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics <i>Dissertation Project:</i> “Party Leadership Selection in Parliamentary Democracies” <i>Dissertation Committee:</i> Kathleen Bawn (Chair), Jeffrey Lewis, Michael Thies, and James Adams (UC Davis)	2005-2012
	M.A. in International Relations, University of San Diego	2003-2004
	B.S. in Biochemistry and Interdisciplinary Studies (Double Major), Calvin College	2000-2003
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Affective polarization; coalition politics; parties and elections; political and economic consequences of discrimination; democratic representation; political institutions; and game theory.	

PAPERS IN
PEER-REVIEWED
JOURNALS

2023. "Serious Conflicts with Benign Outcomes? The Electoral Consequences of Conflictual Cabinet Terminations." *The American Political Science Review*. doi:10.1017/S000305542300093X
2021. "Don't Air Your Dirty Laundry: Party Leadership Contests, Policy Competence, and Parliamentary Election Outcomes." *The European Journal of Political Research* 60 (1): 3-24.
2018. "Attract Voters or Appease Grassroots? Opposition Party Leaders' Dilemma and Positional Shift." *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 30 (2): 246-266.
2018. "One Size Doesn't Fit All: Voter Decision Criteria Heterogeneity and Vote Choice." (with Henrik Seeberg and Rune Stubager) *Electoral Studies* 52: 1-10.
2018. "The Agenda Setting Power of the Prime Minister Party in Coalition Governments." (with Christoffer Green-Pedersen and Peter B. Mortensen) *Political Research Quarterly* 71 (4): 473-456.
2018. "More Spotlight, More Problems? Westminster Parliamentary Systems and Leadership Replacement in Large Opposition Parties." *Party Politics* 24 (5): 588-597.

PAPERS UNDER
REVIEW

"[TITLE MASKED]" (on coalitions)

WORKING
PAPERS

- "Economic Voting by Opposition Partisans"
- "Let's Give Them Something To Talk About: Macroeconomic Improvement and Opposition Parties' Emphases on Value-Based Issues"
- "Government Performance, Preference Representation, and Satisfaction with Democracy"
- "The Crown as a Protector of Democracy? Constitutional Monarchy and Its Contribution to Citizens' Satisfaction with Democracy" (with Andrej Kokkonen)
- "Doomed To Discord? Electoral Institutions' Effects on Political Divisiveness"
- "The Benefits of Infighting: Why Factions Protect Coalitions against Policy Shocks"

WORKS IN
PROGRESS

- "When Aren't Thoughts and Prayers are Enough: Affective Polarization and Partisans' Attitudes toward Gun Control Legislations" (with Hanna Bäck, Emma Renström, and Alexander Ryan)
- "What Happens after Ibiza? The Political Consequences of Scandal-Based Government Terminations" (with Ida Hjerimitslev and Svenja Krauss)

INVITED TALKS
AND
WORKSHOPS

- AxPo-CEE Joint Seminar, Sciences Po Paris, May 2024
- MZES Colloquium, University of Mannheim, November 2023
- DEMSCORE conference, University of Gothenburg, June 2023
- Party Politics Group Seminar, University of Gothenburg, February 2023
- Workshop on Party Politics, Aarhus University, November 2022

- Workshop on Coalition and Party Politics, Lund University, September 2022
- Workshop on Intra- and Inter-party conflicts, Humboldt University in Berlin, August 2022
- Comparative Politics Lunch Seminar, Lund University, May 2019
- Workshop on Party Leaders, Södertörn University, Stockholm, November 2017
- Workshop on Intra-Party Politics, University of Gothenburg, September 2015
- Political Economy Research Seminar, University of Mannheim, September 2013
- Political Economy Series, Lund University, September 2013.
- High Seminar in Political Science, Södertörn University. September 2011.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- American Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2010, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2023
- European Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2012, 2014, 2016, 2023
- Comparative Agendas Project Annual Conference: 2013-2016, 2023
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2008-2016
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2012
- European Consortium of Political Research General Conference: 2014
- Council of European Studies Annual Conference: 2015, 2017

GRANTS

- “Divided Parliaments? Polarization, Moralization, and the Risk of Gridlock.”
Co-PI, Riksbanken Jubileumsfond Project Grant, Sweden 2024-2027
- “Gender Dynamics in Politics, the Workplace, and Society.”
PI, Riksbankens Jubileumsfond Research Initiative, Sweden 2023
- “The Impacts of Economic Growth and Decline on Party Behavior.”
PI, Marie Curie Individual Fellowship, The European Commission 2021-2024
- “Electoral Institutions and Political Divisiveness in Established Democracies.”
PI, Carlsberg Foundation Postdoctoral Grant, Denmark 2016-2018

FELLOWSHIPS

- AxPo Sciences Po Visiting Fellowship May to June 2024
- UCLA Departmental Fellowship 2011-2012
- Stokes Dissertation Research Fellowship, The British Politics Group 2011
- Dissertation Research Fellowship, UCLA Center for European and Eurasian Studies 2011
- EITM, National Science Foundation 2009 and 2010
- Academic Year Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship, UCLA 2006-2007
- Summer Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship, UCLA 2006
- UCLA Fellowship, UCLA 2005-2010

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Course coordinator and instructor, “Parties and Political Behavior”
(bachelor’s course, co-taught with Esther Calvo) Fall 2022, Fall 2023
- Instructor, “Comparative Politics: Institutions and Actors”
(master’s level course, co-taught with Hanna Bäck, Agustín Goenaga, Robert Klemmensen, and Jonathan Polk) Spring 2023, Spring 2024

	Course coordinator and instructor Course in Game Theory	2016 ECPR Methods Winter School
	Course coordinator and instructor, “Explaining Politics through Game Theory: Strategies, Collective Action, and Paradoxes in the Modern World” (master’s seminar in game theory)	Spring 2017, Autumn 2015, 2014, 2013
	Course coordinator and instructor, “Game Theory and International Security” (master’s seminar, co-taught with Bruno Oliveira Martins)	Spring 2015
	Course coordinator and instructor, “Strategies in Political Violence and Conflict” (master’s seminar, co-taught with Jakob Tolstrup in Danish)	Autumn 2014
	Instructor, “Social Science Research Methods for Journalism” (Erasmus Mundus seminar, co-taught with Morten Brænder and Lasse Nielsen)	Spring 2015, 2014
	Course instructor (TA), Introductory and advanced game theory courses, UCLA	2007-2011
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	Co-convenor, Comparative Politics Research Group, Department of Political Science, Lund University (Jan - Dec 2023)	
	Referee for the American Journal of Political Science; the European Political Science Review; the Journal of Politics; Legislative Studies Quarterly; and Representation	
	Grant reviewer, Czech Social Science Foundation	
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES	Workshop organizer, “The Macroeconomy and Political Behavior.” September 2024 Workshop organizer, “Gender Dynamics in Politics, the Workplace, and Society.” September 2023 Workshop organizer, “Democratic Representation in Established Democracies.” November 2017 Section co-chair, 2014 European Consortium of Political Science (ECPR) Conference, Glasgow, Scot- land Panel organizer, 2014 and 2013 Midwest Political Science Association Conferences, Chicago, IL Panel organizer, 2013 American Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL	
LANGUAGES	English (native), Chinese: Mandarin and Cantonese (fluent), Danish (fluent), French (fluent), Burmese (speaking, fluent)	
REFERENCES	Available upon requests	