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Marie Curie Fellow 11/2021 - present EMPLOYMENT

Department of Political Science, Lund University

Sick leave 06/2022 - present

Maternity leave 08/2020 to 05/2021

Pregnancy sick leave 02/2020 to 06/2020

05/2018 -02/2020; 06/2/2021 - 10/2021 Maternity Leave and maternity-related sick leave

Assistant Professor (on pregnancy-related sick leave from 11/2017 - 05/2018)

Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, Denmark 01/2013-06/2018

Effective Ph.D. 5 years and 6 months Years

EDUCATION Ph.D. in Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles

2005 - 2012

Subfield Concentration:

Formal Theory and Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics

Dissertation Project:

"Party Leadership Selection in Parliamentary Democracies"

Dissertation Committee:

Kathleen Bawn (Chair), Jeffrey Lewis, Michael Thies, and James Adams (UC Davis)

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 Democratic representation; political economy of elections; electoral institutions; party competition in advanced democracies; intra-party conflicts; and game theory.

Papers in Peer-Reviewed Journals

2021. "Don't Air Your Dirty Laundry: Party Leadership Contests, Policy Competence, and Parliamentary Election Outcomes." The European Journal of Political Research https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6765.12383

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	

"The Macroeconomic Condition and Junior Coalition Partners' Electoral Strategies"

"Electoral Accountability for Government Dissolution"

"Disentangling Positive versus Negative Economic Voting: The Role of Partisanship"

"Government Performance, Preference Representation, and Satisfaction with Democracy"

Working Papers

"Does Perceived Party Polarization Threaten Citizens' Political Engagement?"

"Doomed To Discord? Electoral Institutions' Effects on Political Divisiveness"

"The Benefits of Infighting: Why Factions Protect Coalitions against Policy Shocks"

INVITED TALKS AND Workshops

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

Grants

"The Impacts of Economic Growth and Decline on Party Behavior."

Principal Investigator, Marie Curie Individual Fellowship, The European Commission 2021-2023

"Electoral Institutions and Political Divisiveness in Established Democracies."

Principal Investigator, Carlsberg Foundation Postdoctoral Grant, Denmark 2016-2018

Fellowships

UCLA Departmental Fellowship

2011-2012

2011

Stokes Dissertation Research Fellowship, The British Politics Group 2011

Dissertation Research Fellowship, UCLA Center for European and Eurasian Studies 2009 and $2010\,$ EITM, National Science Foundation

Academic Year Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship, UCLA 2006-2007 Summer Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship, UCLA 2006

UCLA Fellowship, UCLA

2005-2010

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor for Course in Game Theory

2016 ECPR Methods Winter School

"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

"Game Theory and International Security"
(master's seminar, co-taught with Bruno Oliveira Martins)

Spring 2015

"Strategies in Political Violence and Conflict"

Autumn 2014

(master's seminar, co-taught with Jakob Tolstrup in Danish)

"Social Science Research Methods for Journalism" Spring 2015, 2014 (Erasmus Mundus seminar, co-taught with Morten Brænder and Lasse Nielsen)

Professional Service

Referee for

- Journal of Politics
- American Journal of Political Science
- Legislative Studies Quarterly

Grant reviewer, Czech Social Science Foundation

Professional Activities

Workshop organizer, "Democratic Representation in Established Democracies." November 2017 Section co-chair, 2014 European Consortium of Political Science (ECPR) Conference, Glasgow, Scotland

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

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