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Academic Degrees

- 2016 Docent in Technology and Social Change, Linköping University
- 2009 PhD in Technology and Social Change, Linköping University
- 2003 BA in Multimedia Studies at Stockholm University

Academic Positions

- 2025- Professor, Department of Media Technology, Södertörn University
- 2020-25 Associate Professor; Division for Science, Technology, and Society; Chalmers University of Technology
- 2016-19 Researcher, Department of History of Science and Ideas, Uppsala University. Member of the Cultural matters group, Sociology, Uppsala University
- 2011-15 Assistant Professor, Department of Technology and Social Change, Linköping University
- 2010-11 Postdoc, Department of Technology and Social Change, Linköping University
- 2004-10 PhD Candidate, Department of Technology and Social Change, Linköping University

Management and Leadership Positions

- 2025- Member of the board of EASST, European Association for the Study of Science and Technology
- 2021- Management team for The Wallenberg AI, Autonomous Systems and Software Program – Humanities and Society
- 2024-25 Head of Unit for Science, Technology, Society, Chalmers University
- 2015 Director of Studies for the PhD Program at the Dept. of Thematic Studies, Linköping University
- 2013 Assistant Study Director for the MA program in Science for Sustainable Development
- 2004-07 Assistant Study Director of the ESST International Master's Program in Science, Technology and Society
- 2001-03 Area manager, IT consulting firm, NetCoord
- 1997-01 Founding Partner, and Chairman of the Board, River Creative Agency

PhD/Postdoc supervision

- Tanya Osborne, main supervisor, Chalmers University of Technology, 2025-
- Alicja Ostrowska , main supervisor, Chalmers University of Technology, 2020-2026.
- Parissa Mokhtabad Amrei, co-supervisor, Chalmers University of Technology, 2021-2024
- Morag Ramsey, co-supervisor, Uppsala University, 2016- 2021. PhD in 2021 (from start to finish).
- Peter Skagius, co-supervisor, Linköping University, 2015-2020. PhD in 2020 (from mid to finish).
- Darcy Parks, co-supervisor, Linköping University, 2015-2018. PhD in 2018 (from mid to finish).
- Emily Moberg, co-supervisor, Stockholm University, 2015-2017. PhD in 2017 (from mid to finish).

Competitively Awarded Research Grants

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| 2025 | WASP-HS (10,5 MSEK) Synthetic Data: Facts, Representations, and Transparency. Main Applicant and Principal Investigator. |
| 2025 | Swedish Research Council (3 MSEK) Pandemic Infrastructures: Preparing for the Wrong Pandemic? Main Applicant and Principal Investigator. |
| 2025 | Swedish Research Council (6,6 MSEK) Blind Spots in Pandemic Preparedness: "Pathogen X" and the Development of Epidemic Surveillance after Covid. Main Applicant and Principal Investigator. |
| 2023 | Riksbankens Jubileumsfond. (320 TSEK) "Universal Ambitions of Computation: Inspecting the Travel of Expertise, Data, Algorithms and Ontologies." Main Applicant. |
| 2022 | WASP-HS (3 MSEK) for the project "Social Complexity and Fairness in Synthetic Medical Data" Main Applicant: Ericka Johnson. |
| 2022 | Riksbankens Jubileumsfond. (120 TSEK) "National STS Conference: Expertise, Knowledge Production and Politics" Main Applicant. Co-applicant Per Lundin. |
| 2019 | Marianne och Marcus Wallenbergs Stiftelse (9,5 MSEK) for the project "A new scientific revolution? Consequences of AI and Big Data in biomedicine" Main Applicant and Principal Investigator. |
| 2015 | Swedish Research Council (2,8 MSEK) for the project "The rise of infodemiology: towards a sociological understanding of Big Data infrastructures for pandemic surveillance". Main Applicant and Principal Investigator. |
| 2015 | <i>Riksbankens Jubileumsfond</i> . (450 TSEK) "Algorithms as Devices of Power and Valuation." Main Applicant. |
| 2015 | Riksbankens Jubileumsfond. Summer School Grant (230 TSEK) "The Social Meanings of Algorithms." Main Applicant: L Björklund Larsen. |
| 2011 | <i>Riksbankens Jubileumsfond</i> (3,5 MSEK) for the project "Trials of Value: On the valuation practices in designing medical experiments." Main Applicant: CF Helgesson. |

Research visits

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| 2020 | Visiting Research fellow. Stockholm Center for Organizational Research (SCORE), Stockholm University, Jan-Jun 2020 |
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- 2016 Visiting Scholar. Centre de Sociologie de l'Innovation. École nationale supérieure des mines de Paris, France, 1 week.
- 2011 Honorary Research Fellow in Sociology. Lancaster University, UK, 8 weeks.
- 2009 Visiting Scholar. Royal Institute of Technology, Dept. of Computer Science and Communication. Stockholm, Sweden, 8 weeks.