

# Rosie Collington

*Curriculum Vitae*

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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International political economy; Governance; Green transitions; Economic policy; Organization studies; International organizations; Consultancies; Public sector reform; Public sector digitalisation

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

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- 2024-2027 **Post-Doctoral Fellow in International Political Economy, Copenhagen Business School**, Department of Organization (1.0 FTE)
- Project: Algorithms, Data and Democracy (ADD), Financial Transparency package, funded by the Velux Foundation
- PI: Professor Leonard Seabrooke
- 0.3 FTE teaching: ‘International Political Economy’ (BSc International Business and Politics), ‘Applied International Political Economy’ (MSc International Business and Politics), ‘Governing the Green Transition’ (MSc International Business and Politics)

## EDUCATION

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- 2020-2024 **PhD, University College London**, Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose
- Title: ‘Ministries for the Future: National Bureaucracies and the Political Economy of Green Transitions’
- Supervisors: Professor Mariana Mazzucato (Economics), Professor Rainer Kattel (Public Policy and Governance)
- Awarded full departmental scholarship for fees and living stipend for duration of PhD
  - Visiting Researcher – **Pontifical Catholic University of Chile**, School of Government, Faculty of Economics (with Professor Cristian Plissock), Fall 2022; Visiting PhD Fellow – **University of Copenhagen**, Department of Political Science (with Professor Ben Rosamond), Fall 2020
- 2018-2020 **MSc Political Science with Specialization in International Political Economy, University of Copenhagen**, Department of Political Science
- GPA: 11.9/12
- Thesis title: ‘Disrupting the Welfare State? Data infrastructures and the political economy of public sector digitalisation’
- Awarded competitive UC-Education Abroad Programme studentship to attend **University of California at Berkeley** for one semester (GPA: 4.0)
  - Version of Master’s thesis subsequently published in *New Political Economy* (2021)

- 2011- **BA (Joint Hons) Politics and Arabic, University of Leeds**, School of Politics and International Studies  
 2015 GPA: 75% (First Class)
- Awarded 2015 Shivali Dave Prize for Excellence for placing top of cohort
  - Year Abroad studying Arabic, University of Alexandria, Egypt (2012-2013)

## TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

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- 2021- **Senior Postgraduate Teaching Assistant, University College London**, Institute for Innovation and Public  
 2022 Purpose (0.2 FTE)
- ‘Public Value and Public Purpose’, Core political economy course on Master’s of Public Administration (Fall)
  - ‘Rethinking Capitalism’, Level 2-3 elective course for BSc Economics and BAsc students (Spring)
- 2021 **External Lecturer (Adjunct), SOAS, University of London**, Department of Development Studies (0.3 FTE)
- ‘The Political Economy of Finance, Debt and Development’, Level 2-3 course on BA Development Studies; included co-convening and syllabus development responsibilities (Spring-Summer)
- 2021 **Postgraduate Teaching Assistant, University College London**, Department of Arts and Sciences (0.2 FTE)
- ‘Quantitative Methods and Mathematical Thinking’, Level 1 statistics and Python course taught on BAsc Arts and Sciences (Spring)

## Guest lectures

July 2023, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Summer School: ‘The Modern State’

April 2022 & April 2023, Copenhagen Business School, MSc International Business and Politics: ‘Sustainability Consulting’

April 2022, IT University of Copenhagen, MSc Digital Economy & Innovation Management: ‘Disrupting the Welfare State?’

## RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

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- 2023- **Research Fellow, ‘Dynamic Capabilities in the Public Sector’**, University College London, Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose (0.2 FTE)
- Employed at post-doctoral level for the scoping stage of this project led by Professor Rainer Kattel and Professor Mariana Mazzucato, I contribute research for co-authored papers on the application of ‘governance’ indexes within public sector organizations.
- 2019- **Junior Researcher, ‘Financialization of the US Pharmaceutical Industry’**, Professor William Lazonick,  
 2020 Institute for New Economic Thinking/Academic-Industry Research Network (0.3 FTE)
- Responsible for leading research on financialization among insulin manufacturers and its relationship to drug pricing decisions, resulting in two co-authored working papers (below).

2019- **Research Assistant, 'Policy, Practice and Patient Experience in the Age of Intensified Data Sourcing**  
2020 **(POLICYAID)**, University of Copenhagen, Centre for Medical Science and Technology Studies (0.1 FTE)

## PUBLICATIONS (in order of relevance)

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### Peer reviewed articles

1. \* Collington, R. 2021. 'Disrupting the Welfare State? Digitalisation and the retrenchment of public sector capacity'. *New Political Economy*. Available [here](#).
2. \* Collington, R. & Mazzucato M. Forthcoming, 2023 (Accepted). 'Beyond Outsourcing: Re-embedding the State in Public Value Production'. *Organization*. Pre-print available [here](#).

### Book

3. Mazzucato, M. & Collington, R. 2023. *The Big Con: How the Consulting Industry Weakens our Businesses, Infantilizes our Governments and Warps our Economies*. Penguin Allen Lane (UK); Penguin Press (USA); Nieuw Amsterdam (Netherlands); Laterza (Italy); Campus Verlag (Germany); Taurus (Spain).  
Selected reviews and features (at time of writing): *The Journal of International Business Studies* (Mehdi Boussebaa, 2023); *The Lancet* (Michael Marmot, 2023); *Economic Development Quarterly* (Timothy Slaper, 2023); *The Financial Times* (Diane Coyle, 2023); *British Journal of Sociology*; *International Affairs*; *Action Learning: Research and Practice*; *Law, Economics, and Social Practice*; *Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft*, *The Guardian*, *The New Statesman*, *The Times*, *Politiken*, *Information*, *Bloomberg*, *Australian Financial Review*, *The Washington Post*, *Forbes*, *Australian Financial Review*, *New Zealand Herald*, *Le Monde*, *BBC Radio 4*, *NPR*.

### Book chapter

4. Collington, R. & Mazzucato, M. 2023 (forthcoming). 'Berater und der Moderne Staat' ['Consultants and the Modern State'], in: T. Hartmann-Cwiertnia, J. Dahm, F. Decker, *Der Moderne Staat: Was er ist, was er braucht, was er kann* [*The Modern State: What It Is, What It Needs, What It Can Do*]. Berlin: Dietz Verlag.

### Work-in-progress

#### Book proposal based on PhD

- ❖ Collington, R. 'Ministries for the Future: National Bureaucracies and the Political Economy of Green Transitions'.

#### Journal articles in development

- ❖ Collington, R. & Corlin Christensen, R. 'New Development: Climate consulting' (*Under Review*)

#### Book chapter in development

- ❖ Collington, R. 'Contested Bureaucracies: The role(s) of multinational consultancies in policymaking and implementation', in: S. Van de Walle & G. Bouckaert, book on futures of public administration research to mark the occasion of Professor Bouckaert's retirement. Leuven, Belgium: Leuven University Press. [Invited to submit]

### Working papers and policy reports

- ❖ Collington, R. Lazonick, W. 2022. 'Pricing for Medicine Innovation: A Conditionality Approach to Support Patient Access and Drug Development'. Institute for New Economic Thinking Working Paper Series. Available [here](#).
- ❖ Collington, R. 2020. 'Profits, Innovation and Financialization in the Insulin Industry'. Institute for New Economic Thinking Working Paper Series. Available [here](#).

- ❖ Collington, R. 2019. 'Digital Public Assets: Rethinking value, access, control and ownership of public sector data'. Common Wealth. Available [here](#).
- ❖ Collington, R. 2017. 'Leaving No One Behind: Why England needs an implementation plan for the UK Strategy for Rare Diseases'. Genetic Alliance UK. Available [here](#).

## SELECTED INVITED TALKS

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### Academic audiences

- 2024 Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (January)
- 2023 City University, London (March); European University Institute (April); Copenhagen Business School (March); University of Hawai'i (April – remote); Political Studies Association, British and Comparative Political Economy Group (May – remote); University College London (June); Open University (June); IT University, Copenhagen (September); Erasmus University (October); King's College London (October); Columbia University (November)
- 2022 & prior: IT University of Copenhagen; Pontifical Catholic University of Chile; Bentley University

### Policy, civil society and general public audiences

- 2023 Rethinking Economics Norway (February); Rethinking Economics Greenwich, UK (February); How To Academy, UK (February); Danish Social Workers' Union (April); Institute for Government, UK (May); Pakistan Institute for Development Economics (May); Government of Ireland, Thekla Beere Policy Forum (May); Hay Literature Festival, Wales (May); Folkemødet, Denmark – International Guest of the KR Foundation (June); Parliament of Australia – Finance and Public Administration References Committee inquiry into the 'Management and assurance of integrity by consulting services', oral evidence by invitation (June); De Dependence, Rotterdam (October); Labour Party Conference, Liverpool (October); Kreisky Forum, Vienna (October)
- 2022 & prior: The Future Is Public, Chile; T1International

## CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PAPERS

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- ❖ **Max Planck Summer School for Women in Political Economy** – Working Paper Session on the Political Economy of Fiscal Policies (Cologne): 'International Political Economy of Domestic Green Transition Governance'. 12 September 2023.
- ❖ Copenhagen Business School, workshop on '**Post-Growth Bureaucracies**'. 29 August 2023.
- ❖ **SASE 2023** – Mini Conference on 'Post-neoliberal Transformations' (Rio de Janeiro): 'Between a Net Zero Goal and a Green Transition'. 20 July 2023.
- ❖ King's College London Department of European and International Studies, workshop on '**Crony Capitalism? New Perspectives on the Political Economy of Privatization**'. 21 September 2022.
- ❖ Manchester Metropolitan University, Political Studies Association British and Comparative Political Economy, workshop on '**The "vision thing": new policy paradigms for the post-pandemic era**', 8 September 2022.
- ❖ University of Westminster – Symposium on '**Rethinking Trust, Harm and Consent in a Digital Age**': 'Disrupting the Welfare State? Digitalisation and the retrenchment of public sector assets and capabilities', 27 April 2022.
- ❖ University College London – Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose and INET-YSI, Lead conference organizer on '**Rethinking Innovation: The State, Markets, and Society in Times of Upheaval**', 24-26 September 2021.

- ❖ **SASE 2020** – Mini Conference on ‘Financialization and the Welfare State’ (Virtual): ‘Entrenching Retrenchment: Healthcare reform in the UK consolidation state’, 21 July 2020.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Institute for New Economic Thinking: YSI Conference Coordinator Funding (\$8000), 2021  
 University College London: The Bartlett External Training Grant, 2021  
 University College London: Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose, PhD Studentship, 2020-2024  
 University of California at Berkeley-University of Copenhagen Education Abroad Program Studentship, 2019  
 University of Leeds: Shivali Dave Prize for Excellence, 2015  
 University of Leeds: Footsteps Alumni Fund Conference Bursary, 2015

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## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

<b>Reviewer</b>	<i>Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space; Organization; Cambridge Journal of Economics</i>
<b>Conference co-organizer</b>	‘Rethinking Innovation: The State, Markets and Society in Times of Upheaval’, University College London (September 2021) INET-YSI Virtual Plenary, remote (September 2020)
<b>Network coordinator</b>	Economics of Innovation Working Group Coordinator, Institute for New Economic Thinking Young Scholars’ Initiative (August 2019-August 2021)

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## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Max Planck Summer School for Women in Political Economy, September 2023  
 Association for Heterodox Economics Postgraduate Workshop on Advanced Methods, April 2021  
 BEHAVE Spring School in Agent-Based Modelling, University of Milan, April 2021  
 University College London, Arena One Teaching Fellowship Programme, January 2020  
 Various R courses, including in statistics, network analysis and data wrangling, DataCamp, 2018-2021

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## SELECTED MEDIA

### *Broadcast, radio and podcast interviews*

ABC – Sunday Extra with Julian Morrow, ‘Accounting for “The Big Con”’. 20 May 2023.  
 Macrodose with James Meadway (podcast), ‘Consulting, Privatisation and the Economics of the State’. 31 March 2023.  
 BBC Radio 4, interviewed throughout all episodes of the 5-part series ‘Magic Consultants’. March-April 2023.  
 Tech Won’t Save Us (podcast), ‘The Consequences of Leaving Tech to the Private Sector’. 23 February 2023.  
 NPR – The Takeaway, interviewed on ‘The Future of the UK’s Economy’. 21 October 2022.  
 Al Jazeera English, live broadcast interview on ‘The Effects of Austerity in the UK’. 5 October 2022.

***Public writing***

Project Syndicate (with Mariana Mazzucato), 'Consultants and the Crisis of Capitalism'. March 2023.

The Guardian (with Mariana Mazzucato), 'UK ministers won't kick the consultant habit'. February 2023.

The Guardian, 'Liz Truss wants to inflict more austerity on Britain – but there's nothing left to cut'. October 2022.

Politiken (with Rune Møller Stahl), 'Vi er i gang med at sælge vores digitale fremtid'. October 2021.

The Guardian, 'The myth of the "efficient" private sector has been busted by Covid'. October 2020.

**NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT (RECENT)**

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2018-2020, Programme Coordinator (0.3 FTE), Copenhagen School of Entrepreneurship – Copenhagen Business School

2017-2018, Healthcare Innovation Strategy Analyst and Public Affairs Officer (1.0 FTE), British Heart Foundation

2016-2017, Public Affairs Assistant/Officer (1.0 FTE), Genetic Alliance UK