

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Associate Professor

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### Academic positions

- 2020- Associate Professor, Department of Business Humanities and Law, Copenhagen Business School (parental leave January-April 2024).
- 2023- Member of the Study Board – BSc and CM in Philosophy and Business Administration.
- 2016-20 Assistant Professor, Department of Management, Politics and Philosophy, Copenhagen Business School (until 01.07.2018 at Department of Business and Politics) (parental leave, September 2017-January 2018 & June-August, October-November 2020).
- 2011-15 Doctoral Student, Department of Philosophy and The History of Ideas, Aarhus University.
- 2015 External lecturer, Department of Culture and Society, Aarhus University (spring).
- 2014 Teaching assistant at the Bachelor Study Programme in Social Science, Roskilde University (fall).
- 2013 Visiting Scholar, *Centre d'études des normes juridiques – “Yan Thomas”* (CENJ - YT), EHESS (l'École des hautes études en sciences sociales), Paris, with Professor Paolo Napoli (spring semester).
- 2011 Visiting scholar, Exzellenzcluster Normative Orders, Johann-Wolfgang-Goethe Universität, Frankfurt am Main, with Professor Rainer Forst (spring).

### Academic degrees

- 2016 Ph.D. in The History of Ideas, Aarhus University. Thesis: *Sovereign bodies. Constitution and construction of State, subject and corporation*. Supervisor: Mikkel Thorup, Professor, Department of Philosophy and The History of Ideas, Aarhus University. Secondary supervisors: Peter Niesen, Professor of Political Theory and The History of Ideas, University of Hamburg & Paolo Napoli, Professor at the CENJ – YT, EHESS, Paris.
- 2012 MA in The History of Ideas, Aarhus University. Thesis: *The State of the Company. The Trading Company in 17<sup>th</sup> Century Political Thought*. Supervisor: Mikkel Thorup.
- 2008 B.Sc. in Business Administration and Philosophy, Copenhagen Business School.

### Research management

- 2022-25: PI: Corporate Subjects: An Intellectual History of the Corporation, funded by the Carlsberg-Foundation ([www.corporatesubjects.com](http://www.corporatesubjects.com)) (one PhD and one post doc)
- 2022-23: Research Management Course at the Copenhagen Business School Executive Foundation
- 2023: Director of the research group JURASOC – Social, legal and technology studies, BHL.

### Languages

Danish (native), English and German (fluent), Swedish, Norwegian and French (proficient), Spanish (lesser degree), Latin (basic knowledge).

### Academic interests

State; corporation; sovereignty; association; democracy; governance; history of political and economic thought; law; legal history; (political) sociology; business in society; political and economic theology; organization; government; administration; civil society; political philosophy; political thought; political theory; neoliberalism.

### Grants and funding obtained

- 2021 Carlsberg Foundation: Sapere Aude Accelerate grant: *Corporate Subjects – An Intellectual History of the Corporation* (3.900.938 DKK/€520.000)
- 2020 CBS Strategic Thematic Initiative: *Transformational Economies and Societies* (800.000 DKK/€107.500)
- 2020 CBS Strategic Thematic Initiative: *The Nordic Model of Governance* (250.000 DKK/€33.500)

### Organized conferences, sessions and workshops

- 2023 Workshop: Intellectual Histories of the Corporation, Copenhagen Business School (7-8 December)
- 2019 Workshop: *Neoliberalism in the Nordics – Developing an absent theme*, CBS, 2-3 December (funded by ReNEW, Reimagining Norden in an Evolving World) (NordForsk) grant)
- 2019 Panel: *Neoliberalism in the Nordics – Developing an absent theme*, SASE (Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics) Annual Conference, New School, New York, 27-29 June

### Peer-reviewer

*Theory, Culture & Society; American Political Science Review; Critique of Anthropology, Political Geography, Scandinavian Journal of Management, Voluntas – International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations; Ephemera – Theory & Politics in Organization; Systems Research and Behavioral Science; K&K – Kultur & Klasse; Slagmark – Tidsskrift for idéhistorie, Aarhus University Press.*

## Publications

### PhD-dissertation

1. **Jessen, M.H.** (2015) *Sovereign bodies. Constitution and construction of State, subject and corporation*, Department of Philosophy and The History of Ideas, Aarhus University. Defended 30.03.2016.  
Assessment Committee: Professor Mark Neocleous, Brunell University; Professor Marieke de Goede, Amsterdam University & Associate Professor Morten Haugaard Jeppesen, Aarhus University (chairman).

### Peer-reviewed journal articles

2. Popp-Madsen, **M.H. Jessen** & A.M. Mulvad (2022). The spirits of democratic enterprise: insights from the case of Denmark. *Management & Organizational History*, 17(1-2), pp. 1-19,  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/17449359.2022.2068151>
3. **Jessen, M.H.** (2022). Frygten for fraktioner i forestillinger om folket – Hobbes, Locke og Rousseau om suveræniteten, folk og politik, *Slagmark – Tidsskrift for idéhistorie*, nr. 85, *Folk, folkestyre og populisme*, pp. 35-52.
4. **Jessen, M.H.** (2021). Civil Society in the Shadow of the Neoliberal State. Corporations as the Primary Subjects of (Neoliberal) Civil Society. *International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society*, 34(2), pp. 161-174, DOI: 10.1007/s10767-020-09376-2
5. **Jessen, M.H.** & Eggers, N.v. (2020). Governmentality and Statification. Towards a Foucauldian Theory of the State, *Theory, Culture & Society*, vol. 37, issue 1, pp. 53-72, DOI: 10.1177/0263276419849099.
6. **Jessen, M.H.** (2019). Rescuing Welfare Society. Political Strategies for Mobilizing Civil Society in Denmark, 2010-2018, *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organization*, vol. 39, Issue 2, pp. 369-380. DOI:10.1007/s11266-018-00064-6.
7. **Jessen, M.H.** (2018). Civilsamfund som værdi og ressource. Konstruktionen af civilsamfund og frivillighed i danske civilsamfundsstrategier, 2010-2017, *Dansk Pædagogisk Tidsskrift*, nr 4, *Frivillighed og velfærdsarbejde*, s. 26-34.
8. **Jessen, M.H.** (2017). Statens livsnødvendige cirkulation. Handel som livsvigtigt princip for den moderne stat (The vital circulation of the state. Trade as a vital principle of the modern state), *K&K – Kultur & Klasse*, 124, *Handel*, pp. 71-88.
9. **Jessen, M.H.** (2015). Forvaltningen af det bestående. Guvernamentalitet, regering og økonomi hos Giorgio Agamben (The administration of the given. Governmentality, government and economy in Giorgio Agamben) in *Slagmark – Tidsskrift for idéhistorie*, 72, *Giorgio Agamben*, pp. 17-35.
10. **Jessen, M.H.** (2013). The practico-inertia of institutional practices *LIR, journal* (Journal for Literature, History of Ideas and Religion, University of Gothenburg, Sweden), 3(2013), pp. 7-19.
11. **Jessen, M.H.** & Eggers, N.v. (2013). Kongen hersker, men regerer ikke. Guvernamentalitet, statificering

- og statspraksis hos Foucault, *Slagmark – Tidsskrift for Idéhistorie*, 66, Michel Foucault, pp. 89-107.
12. **Jessen, M.H.** (2013). De retslige, administrative og normative dispositivers autonomi. Interview med Paolo Napoli, in *Slagmark – Tidsskrift for idéhistorie*, nr. 66, Michel Foucault, pp. 109-125.
  13. **Jessen, M.H.** (2012). The State of the Company. Companies, Colonies & Corporations in *Leviathan, Journal of Intellectual History and Political Thought*, 1(1), pp. 56-85.
  14. **Jessen, M.H.** (2012). Kan et privat firma føre en retfærdig krig?. Hugo Grotius og det Hollandske Østindiske Kompagni, *Slagmark – Tidsskrift for idéhistorie*, nr. 63, *Krig*, pp. 49-63.
  15. **Jessen, M.H.** (2010). Den filosofiske politiker. Frederik den Store og statsræsonen, *Slagmark – Tidsskrift for idéhistorie*, nr. 59, *Den politiske filosof*, pp. 55-69.

#### Peer-reviewed book chapters

16. **Jessen, M.H.** (2023). Governmentality, in Maria Grasso & Marco Giugni (eds.), *Elgar Encyclopedia of Political Sociology*, Cheltenham, UK & Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar, pp. 216-218.
17. **Jessen, M.H.** (2023). En sund, stærk og sammenhængende statskrop – Thomas Hobbes læser coronapandemien, In Daniel Malling Blaabjerg-Zederkoff (ed.), *PANDEMI! Idéhistorien læser corona*, Baggrund Medier, pp. 162-177.
18. **Jessen, M.H.** (2023). Velfærdsstaten og det gode civilsamfund? Civilsamfundet i velfærdsstatens skygge, in Lars Bo Kaspersen & Liv Egholm (eds), *Civilsamfundet i statens skygge*, København: Hans Reitzels Forlag, pp. 169-187.
19. **Jessen, M.H.** (2023). Hvor kommer transformationen fra? Staten som et ikke-transformativt sted, in Niels Åkerstrøm Andersen, Dorthe Pedersen, Erik Mygind du Plessis & Jette Sandager (eds.), *Transformationens politik – Ledelse af tidens udfordringer*, Frederiksberg: Nyt fra Samfundsvidenskaberne, pp. 251-265.
20. **Jessen, M.H.** (2021). Klimaets idéhistorie er selskabets idéhistorie. In: Mikkel Thorup & Jakob Bek-Thomsen: *Klimaets idéhistorie*, Århus: Baggrund, pp. 175-185.
21. **Jessen, M.H.** & Hansen, A.D. (2021) Analysestrategi med Foucault og Laclau – Civilsamfundet som styringsteknologi og flydende betegner, in Justine Grønbek Pors & Emil Husted (eds.) *Eklektiske analysestrategier*, København: Nyt fra Samfundsvidenskaberne, pp. 63-86.
22. **Jessen, M.H.** (2021). Civil Society in the Shadow of the Danish Welfare State, in Lars Bo Kaspersen & Liv Egholm (eds.), *Civil Society Between Concepts and Empirical Grounds: A Processual-Relational Attitude to Civil Society*, London: Routledge, pp. 159-171.
23. **Jessen, M.H.** (2016). “Trade is a Kind of Warfare. Corporations and Mercantilism in the Thought of Josiah Child”, in Mikkel Thorup (ed.), *Intellectual History of Economic Normativities*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 41-55.

## Teaching (selection)

*Magt og kommunikation* (Power and communication), Cand. Soc. in Political Communication and Leadership,  
(course coordinator) (2020-2023)

*Strategi og samtidsdiagnostik* (Strategy and contemporary diagnostics), BSc in Business Administration  
and Communication, (course coordinator) (2019-2022)

*Fundamentals of Social Theory*, BSc in Business Administration and Sociology, CBS (2019-)

*The political corporation*, cand.soc elective (part of the Minor in Transformative and Sustainable Economies), CBS  
(course coordinator) (2021-2023)

*Finance and Society*, MSc in Business Administration and Philosophy, CBS (course coordinator)  
(2022-)

*Ledelsesretorik* (Management rhetoric), Master of Public Governance, CBS (course coordinator) (2022-)

*Social and Organizational Theories of Transformation*, PhD-course, CBS (course coordinator) (2022-)

*Politisk filosofi* (Political philosophy), BSc, Business Administration and Philosophy (course coordinator, 2023-)

## Supervision

### PhD-supervision:

2023- Tessa Barnow (primary supervisor), CBS, BHL

### Assistant professor supervision:

2023- Benjamin Ask Popp-Madsen, CBS, BHL

### Other supervision

I have supervised Master's theses at the Business Administration and Philosophy and Political Communication and Leadership programmes at CBS; Bachelor theses at the Business Administration and Sociology programme at CBS and History of Ideas, Aarhus University. In addition I have supervised a number of group projects at various levels at CBS, Aarhus University and Roskilde University.

## Committees

2023 Chair of PhD assessment committee for Lotte List: *Crisis Sovereignty: The Philosophy of History of the Exception*, CBS, BHL.