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#### Research interests

In my previous research, I have focused on the discussion of elites. Both in regard to the position of elite groups within general theories of social stratification and class and with regard to the methodological challenges of identifying and analyzing elites.

In this research project, I hope to build on my empirical and theoretical knowledge of elites in Denmark. However, I also wish to analyse elite groups from a different methodological perspective. Previously, I have used descriptive quantitative methods such as multiple correspondence analysis and social network analysis. By using a mixed method approach of sequence analysis and qualitative interviewing based on the network analysis, I hope to be able the identify blind spots in my previous research and explore new research questions, needing these new methodological approaches.

My aim is to enhance my understanding of elites in the setting of a Scandinavian Welfare State. As this case is of general interest to the research community focusing on elites, the work undertaken here hopefully could serve to initialize future comparative studies using my international network.

Key words for my research interest are: Elites, class, stratification, social network analysis, explorative quantitative methods, mixed methods, comparative sociology

Education	
06.2011 – 06.2015	PhD in Sociology. Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen.  Dissertation entitled 'Elites in Denmark – Power Elites and Ruling Classes in a Welfare State' defended 23 <sup>rd</sup> of June 2015
09.2003 – 06.2010	MA in Sociology. University of Copenhagen
Academic career	
01.2016-	Assistant professor, Department of Business and Politics, Copenhagen Business School
08.2015 - 12.2015	Post.doc, Department of Equal Treatment, The Danish Institute of Human Rights
09.2014 – 08.2015	External lecturer, Elite theory, Social network analysis, Social stratification and webbased survey methods, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen.
05.2010 – 02.2011	Lecturer and Research assistant, Sociological Methods and Relational Data Analysis, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen
01.2008 - 02.2009	Student assistant, SFI – The Danish National Centre for Social Research
09.2006 – 02.2009	Teaching assistant, Sociological Methods, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen, 2006-2009
Leaves of absence	
02.2011 – 06.2011	Paternal leave
02.2009 - 10.2009	Paternal leave
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# Other scientific qualifications

# Teaching experience

Elementary Sociological Methods (Teaching assistant, lecturer BA level 2006-2010)

Constructing prosopographical data (Lecturer, MA level 2010)

Constructing web-surveys (Lecturer, Ba and MA Level 2012-5)

Social Network Analysis (Lecturer, MA level 2012-4)

Elite Theory (Lecturer, MA level 2013-4)

Social Stratification (Course coordinator, BA level 2014)

All Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen

Social Network Analysis (Lecturer, PhD level 2014, University of Bergen).

#### Invited talks include:

Specific Multiple Correspondence Analysis, University of Aalborg, 2 November 2010

The Men of the Firm, KVINFO, 24 February 2011

Social Network Analysis, Danish Sociological Association 26 June 2013

Mapping Fields of Power, Uppsala University 19 March 2014

The soc.ca package for Multiple correspondence analysis in R, Uppsala University 20 March 2014

The Power Elite in the Welfare State, University of Oslo 16 September 2014

The Elite in the Field of Power, Hexis, University of Aarhus 15 April 2015

More than 30 public lectures about the popular dissemination *Magteliten – de 423 danskere, der styrer landet [The Power Elite – the 423 Danes who run the country]* including at Statistics Denmark, The Danish Institute for Human Rights, KVINFO, AE-rådet, FTF, FOA, Dansk Metal, Kromann Reumert, Finansforbundet, Niras, Louisiana Live, Politikens Akademi, LO-skolen, LO-ungdomsnetværket, Københavns Rotary Klub, Oure Idrætshøjskole, Ry Højskole, DEO – Demokrati i Europa Oplysningsforbund, Dansk Journalistforbund, Dansk Sociologiforening, Samfundsfagslærere ved Gymnasier i Gentofte Kommune, Jøp, Ove & Myrthu, Dansk Kommunikationsforening, Polyteknisk Forening (i Norway), Folketingets Administration, Samuelsen, Gentofte Bibliotek, Gladsaxe Bibliotek, Nationalmuseet, Studenterhuset i Aalborg, Forskningens Døgn at Copenhagen Business School, Danske Erhvervskoler, Odense Kommune, Tuborg Fondet, CEVEA, Folkeuniversitetet i Aarhus, Folkeuniversitetet i København

### Reviewing

Occasionally reviewer for: Tidskriftet Samfundsøkonomen Canadian Review of Sociology Tidsskrift for Arbejdsliv Journal of Consumer Culture

## **Grants**

2015	DFF-Individual postdoctoral grants	DKK 1.706.563
2015	Sapere Aude: DFF-Research Talent	DKK 498.390

### International relations

Part of the Research group on European Elites including Professor Mike Savage (LSE), Professor Johan Heilbron (Centre Européen de Sociologie et de Science Politique (CESSP) and Erasmus University in Rotterdam), Professor Johs. Hjellbrekke (University of Bergen), Professor Frédéric Lebaron (Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines) François Denord (Chargé de Recherches, CNRS) and Assistant Professor Felix Bühlmann (University of Lausanne).

Part of Politics and Interlocking Directorates Research Community under The International Network for Social Network Analysis, members include Professor and Vice-Dean Roy Barnes (University of Michigan-Flint), Professor Eelke Heemskerk (University of Amsterdam) and Professor Val Burris (University of Oregon).