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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science** Oct 2020-  
University of Oslo, Norway
- Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Political Science** Mar-Sep 2020  
University of Gothenburg, Sweden

## EDUCATION

- Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science** 2015-2019  
University of Gothenburg, Sweden
- Dissertation: *Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict: Threat, Mobilization and Gender Norms*
  - Supervisors: Ann Towns (University of Gothenburg), Lena Wängnerud (University of Gothenburg), Inger Skjelsbæk (University of Oslo)
- Master of Arts, Political Science** (enrolled as PhD student) 2013-2015  
University of Pittsburgh, USA (grade point average: 4.0)
- Master of Arts, Political Science** 2007-2010  
Western Washington University, USA (grade point average: 4.0)
- Bachelor of Arts, British and American Studies (major), Text Technology (minor)** 2003-2007  
University of Bielefeld, Germany (final grade: 1,2)
- Student exchange to Western Washington University, USA 2005-2006

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Covid-19 and Gender: A Necessary Connection in Diplomatic Studies (with Ann Towns, Katarzyna Jezierska & Birgitta Niklasson). 2020. *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy* 15:4, p. 636-647.
- Civil Society Perspectives on Sexual Violence in Conflict: Patriarchy and War Strategy in Colombia. 2020. *International Affairs* 96:2, p. 457-478.
- Gendered Conflict, Gendered Outcomes: The Politicization of Sexual Violence and Quota Adoption (with Mattias Agerberg). 2019. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 64:2-3, p. 290-317.
- Responding to Sexual Violence: Women's Mobilization in War. 2019. *Journal of Peace Research* 26:2, p. 220-233.
- Authoritarian Institutions and Women's Rights (with Daniela Donno). 2019. *Comparative Political Studies* 52:5, p. 720-753.
- The Gender Mainstreaming Gap: Security Council Resolution 1325 and UN Peacekeeping Mandates. 2017. *International Peacekeeping* 24:1, p. 132-158.

### Under Review

- Field Research: A Graduate Student's Guide (with Ezgi Irgil, Myunghee Lee, Charmaine N. Willis and Kelebogile Zvobgo; *Revise & Resubmit*)
- Sexual Violence, Gender and Public Support for Intervention in Armed Conflict (with Mattias Agerberg)
- Researching Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: A Conversation between Early Career Researchers (with Philipp Schulz; *Revise & Resubmit*)

## Book Chapters

The Empowerment of Women in Diplomacy (with Ann Towns and Birgitta Niklasson). 2017. In *Measuring Women's Political Empowerment across the Globe: Strategies, Challenges and Future Research*. Palgrave, p. 187-205.

## Research Reports and Policy Papers

Impact Evaluation of Peace through Development II (P-DEV II) Radio Programming in Chad and Niger (with Steven E. Finkel, Reynaldo T. Rojo-Mendoza, Cassilde L. Schwartz and Chris A. Belasco). 2015. USAID Contract Number GS-10F-004N/AID-624M-13-00001. The Mitchell Group, Washington, D.C.

How Does Civil Society Understand Conflict-Related Sexual Violence? Perspectives from Women Activists in Colombia". December 2019. GPS Policy Brief 03.2019. *Peace Research Institute Oslo*.

<https://gps.prio.org/utility/DownloadFile.ashx?id=1185&type=publicationfile>

Spanish version: <https://gps.prio.org/utility/DownloadFile.ashx?id=1186&type=publicationfile>

## In Progress

Political Agency, Victimhood and Gender in and after War (with Philipp Schulz)

Challenges in Confronting Sexual Violence in Colombia

Is Free Trade Good for Women? How Trade Agreements Affect Women's Rights (with Evgeny Postnikov)

A Comparative Study of Female and Male Ambassadors' Appointments (with Ann Towns and Birgitta Niklasson)

Sexual Violence (book chapter, with Robert Nagel)

Responses and Reactions to Conflict-Related Sexual Violence (book chapter, with Robert Nagel)

## Other Publications and Media Presence

"Gender and Peacekeeping: Progress and Challenges". July 2019. *Oxford Research Group*.

<https://www.oxfordresearchgroup.org.uk/blog/gender-and-peacekeeping-progress-and-challenges>

"The 2018 Nobel Peace Prize is a tribute to activists against sexual violence in conflict". December 2018. *Political Violence @ a Glance*. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2018/12/13/the-2018-nobel-peace-prize-is-a-tribute-to-activists-against-sexual-violence-in-conflict/>

"Fighting sexual violence in war: Context matters". December 2018. *US Army War College War Room*.

<https://warroom.armywarcollege.edu/articles/sexual-violence-in-war/>

"Sometimes autocrats strengthen their power by expanding women's rights. Here's how that works." (with Daniela Donno). November 2018. *Washington Post: The Monkey Cage*.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2018/11/23/sometimes-autocrats-strengthen-their-power-by-expanding-womens-rights-heres-how-that-works/>

Interviewed by Times Higher Education, Christian Science Monitor, E-IR, Forskning & Framsteg, Sändaren

## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

(P: presenting author; NP: non-presenting author; C: chair; D: discussant; IT: invited talk)

Sexual Violence, Gender and Public Support for Intervention in Armed Conflict (with M. Agerberg)

- Swiss Political Science Association conference, Lucerne, February 2020 (P)

- Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen, November 2019 (P, IT)

- Peace Research in Sweden conference, Gothenburg, September 2019 (P)

Ethics and Mental Well-Being in Difficult Research – Towards a Reappraisal of Fieldwork Preparedness

- Workshop organizer. Conflict Research Society conference, Brighton, September 2019 (P, C)

Challenges in Confronting Sexual Violence in Colombia

- Conflict Research Society conference, Brighton, September 2019 (P, C, D)

Is Free Trade Good for Women? How Trade Agreements Affect Women's Rights (with E. Postnikov)

- American Political Science Association annual meeting, Washington D.C., September 2019 (P)

The Fetishization of Sexual Violence in Conflict? Tackling Victimization and Agency

- Public event on Gender, Diplomacy and Peace, Gothenburg, February 2019 (P)

Understanding Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Bringing Patriarchy Back In

- NORA conference, Reykjavík, May 2019 (P, C)
- International Studies Association annual convention, Toronto, March 2019 (P, C)
- Workshop “Complexifying Gendered Victimization During War and Transition: Gender, Vulnerabilities and Agency”, Bremen, February 2019 (P, D)
- Conflict Research Society Conference, Birmingham, September 2018 (P, D)
- European Consortium for Political Research conference, Hamburg, August 2018 (P)

Domestic and International Responses to Wartime Sexual Violence: Cross-National Statistical Analyses and Case Study Evidence from Colombia

- Research Network on Gender, Peace and Security meeting, Oslo, September 2017 (P, IT)

Wartime Sexual Violence and Gender Quota Adoption (with M. Agerberg)

- European Consortium for Political Research conference, Oslo, September 2017 (P)
- Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, Chicago, April 2017 (P)

Authoritarian Institutions and Women’s Rights (with D. Donno)

- American Political Science Association annual meeting, San Francisco, September 2017 (NP)
- Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, New Orleans, January 2017 (NP)

Beyond Victimization: Women’s Political Mobilization in Response to Wartime Sexual Violence

- GLD Annual Conference, Hindås, April 2017 (P, IT)
- Conflict Research Society annual conference, Dublin, September 2016 (P)

How to Measure Sexual Violence in Surveys: A Pre-Test

- Methods Workshop for Swedish PhD students, Örebro, June 2016 (P, D)

Spaces and Mobilization: Gendered Conflict Dynamics and Women’s Political Participation

- Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, Chicago, April 2015 (P)

## VISITING POSITIONS

Centre for Gender Research, University of Oslo, Norway	Jul-Sep 2020
Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia	Jan-Apr 2018
Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), Norway	Sep-Oct 2017

## RESEARCH

Interviews with diplomats and UN staff (New York)	2019
Coding of membership composition of Swedish <i>statens offentliga utredningar 2014-2019</i>	2019
Interviews with civil society representatives, diplomats, government officials and former armed actors, focus groups (Bogotá, Medellín, Cali)	2018
Interviews with diplomats and civil society representatives (Bogotá)	2017
Interviews with (former) diplomats (Oslo, Stockholm)	2016
Doctoral Researcher, University of Gothenburg	2017
- Data collection for the <i>Gender and Diplomacy</i> project led by Ann Towns	
Graduate Student Assistant, University of Pittsburgh	2014-2015
- Research assistance in different projects: data collection, report writing, analytical literature reviews	
Graduate Research Assistant, Border Policy Research Institute (WWU)	2009
- Comparative analysis of border security policy in North America and Europe	
Interviews with diplomats and foreign policy experts (Berlin, New York)	2009

## TEACHING

Guest lecture (virtual): "Reflexives Forschen und Lernen: Feministische Methoden und Wissensproduktion (Reflexive Research and Learning: Feminist Methods and Knowledge Production)", University of Bremen	May 2020
Guest lecture (virtual): "Fieldwork and Interviewing: Research on Sensitive Issues", Tulane University	April 2020
Lecture: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict: Victims and Actors", PhD Research School course on Gender, Peace and Conflict, Peace Research Institute Oslo	May 2019
Opponent. Master's thesis. <i>Search for the Deliberative Democracy Elements in the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference - A case study of the local People's Political Consultative Conference in Ningbo, China</i> . Yueze Kong. Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg	August 2017
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Western Washington University	2007-2009
- Government and Politics in the Modern World	
- Introduction to International Relations	
- American Political System	
- Introduction to Canadian Studies	
- Introduction to Political Theory	

## SUPERVISION

Supervisor. Bachelor's thesis. <i>Examining the Ubiquitousness of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence in Territorial Conflicts</i> . Emelie Andersin, University of Gothenburg (High Pass).	2020
Co-supervisor (with Victor Lapuente). Master's thesis. <i>The Importance of Women in Transitional Justice: Women's Work for Justice in Guatemala and Liberia</i> . Lovisa Dahlström, University of Gothenburg (High Pass).	2018

## GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet), International Postdoc Grant (3,15 mill. SEK), <i>terminated prematurely after starting new position</i>	2020-2022
Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse, travel grant (19,000 SEK)	2019
Stiftelsen Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond, research grant (19,000 SEK)	2019
Kungl. Vitterhetsakademien, travel grant (18,000 SEK)	2019
Stiftelsen Lars Hiertas Minne, research grant (30,000 SEK)	2018
Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse, travel grant (25,000 SEK)	2018
Stiftelsen Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond, travel grant (40,000 SEK)	2018
Stiftelsen Lars Hiertas Minne, research grant (30,000 SEK)	2017
American Political Science Association, APSA travel grant [ <i>declined</i> ]	2017
Paul och Marie Berghaus Donationsfond, travel grant (20,000 SEK)	2017
Stiftelsen Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond, research grant (31,000 SEK)	2017
Forskraftstiftelsen Theodor Adelswårds Minne, scholarship for field research (100,000 SEK)	2016
University of Gothenburg, Adlerbert Scholarship for field research (20,000 SEK)	2016
Stiftelsen Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond, research grant (35,000 SEK)	2016
Paul och Marie Berghaus Donationsfond, travel grant (20,000 SEK)	2016

University of Edinburgh, Chrystal Macmillan Studentship for PhD Study [ <i>declined</i> ]	2015-2018
University of Pittsburgh, Arts & Sciences Summer Fellowship	2014; 2015
University of Pittsburgh, Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship	2013
Western Washington University, Public Affairs Research Fund Award	2009
Western Washington University, Public Affairs Research Fund Scholarship	2007; 2008
P.E.O. Sisterhood, International Peace Scholarship	2007; 2008
German Academic Exchange Service, internship scholarship	2006

## AWARDS

James Caporaso Best Paper Award for best paper published in Comparative Political Studies in 2019, for “Authoritarian Institutions and Women’s Rights” (with Daniela Donno)	2020
Christiane-Rajewsky-Award for junior researchers (for PhD dissertation “Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict”), German Association for Peace and Conflict Research	2020
Dirk Berg-Schlosser Award (third prize), ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques	2017

## SERVICE

Reviewer for *British Journal of Political Science*; *Conflict Management and Peace Science*; *Contemporary Voices: St Andrews Journal of International Relations*; *Foreign Policy Analysis*; *International Affairs*; *International Feminist Journal of Politics*; *International Peacekeeping*; *International Organization*; *International Political Science Review*; *International Studies Quarterly* (3); *Journal of Conflict Resolution*; *Journal of Global Security Studies*; *Journal of Peace Research* (2); *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*; *Latin American Research Review*; *Nordic Journal of Human Rights*; *Political Science Research and Methods*; *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*, *World Politics*

Jury member. Cedric Smith Prize for best piece of peace and conflict research by a graduate student. Conflict Research Society, 2020

Discussant. “*Europe: East and West*” Undergraduate Research Symposium, Panel “Russian and Soviet Foreign Policy”. University of Pittsburgh, 2015

Graduate Student Executive Committee. Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 2014-2015

Peer advisor for study abroad. University of Bielefeld, 2006-2007

## ACTIVITIES & COURSES

- Member of Norwegian Research School on Peace and Conflict:	2016-2019
- Cyprus Course on Peace and Conflict	2018
- Governance, Identity and War	2017
- Gender, Peace and Security	2016
- Ethnographic Fieldwork Methods	2016
- Beyond Transitional Justice: From Individual to Community	2015
- Qualitative Methods and the Study of Civil War	2015
- Member Symposiums	2016-2019
- Member representative in Research School Steering Group	2017-2018

Other courses:

- Introduction to Geographical Data Management and Analysis with ArcGIS (short course: 10,5 hours), ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques	2020
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- Qualitative Data Analysis: Concepts and Approaches, ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques 2017
  - Mixed Methods: Towards a Methodological Pluralism, Oslo Summer School in Comparative Social Science Studies 2016
  - Panel Data Analysis for Comparative Research, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis 2014
- Member of Missing Peace Young Scholars Initiative, Conflict Research Society, American Political Science Association, European Consortium for Political Research, International Studies Association

#### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Project Manager: higher education research, CHE Consult, Gütersloh, Germany 2011-2012
- Assistant to the Country Director (intern), GIZ, Lusaka, Zambia 2010
- External Expert: Sector and Policy Division Peace and Governance, KfW Development Bank, Frankfurt am Main, Germany 2010
- Intern in the Office of the Coordinator of German-American Cooperation, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin, Germany 2008
- Communications Associate (intern), World Federation of United Nations Associations, New York 2006

#### **LANGUAGES**

German: native language

English: full professional proficiency

Norwegian: professional working proficiency; Universitetet i Oslo, Bokmål trinn III (level B2-C1, completed 2013)

Spanish, Swedish: good reading ability, limited working proficiency

French: elementary proficiency

#### **IT SKILLS**

Stata, SPSS, NVivo, Microsoft Office, Adobe Acrobat, Adobe Lightroom, HTML, CSS

#### **REFERENCES**

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