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Education

Linköping University

Ph.D. in Economics

Linköping, Sweden

Nov. 2013

Stockholm University

Bachelor of Social Science in Economics

Stockholm, Sweden

2009

Lund University

Bachelor and Master of Political Science

Lund, Sweden

2006

Academic Experience

Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN)

Research Faculty

Stockholm, Sweden

Sept. 2013–present

University of Memphis

Visiting Researcher

Memphis, TN, USA

2017–present

University of Missouri – St. Louis

Visiting Researcher

St. Louis, MO, USA

2015–2017

Stockholm School of Economics

Affiliated Ph.D. Student

Stockholm, Sweden

2009–2013

George Mason University

Visiting Ph.D. Student

Farifax, VA, USA

Fall 2012

European University Institute (EUI)

Visiting Ph.D. Student

Florence, Italy

Spring 2011

Research Fields

Applied microeconomics, labor economics, public economics, entrepreneurship

Grants

Marianne and Marcus Wallenberg Foundation

Research grant

2018–2021

Awarded \$650,000 (5.1 mil. sek) for the research project "Labor market regulation, the demand for labor and marginal groups" (with Per Skedinger, Martin Olsson, and Mats Hammarstedt)

Marie Curie Fellowship – Forte International Postdoc Programme

Postdoctoral grant

Feb 2015–Jan 2018

Awarded \$405,000 (2.985 mil. sek) for the individual research project "Employment Protection – legislated and implicit contracts and the effect on job flows, productivity, and labor market segmentation".

Sparbankernas Forskningsstiftelse

Doctoral research grant

Aug 2009–Aug 2013

Awarded \$138,000 (900,000 sek).

Ragnar Söderberg's Foundations and the Ratio Institute

Grant to visit George Mason University

Aug 2012–Dec 2012

Awarded \$25,000 (175,000 sek).

Publications

Bjuggren, C. M. (2018). "Employment Protection and Labor Productivity", *Journal of Public Economics*, 157: 138–157.

Bjuggren, C. M. (2015). "Sensitivity to Shocks and Implicit Employment Protection in Family Firms", *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 119(C): 18–31.

Anyadike-Danes, M., Bjuggren, C. M., Gottschalk, S., Hölzl, W., Johansson, D., Maliranta, M., and Myrann, A. (2015). "An International Cohort Comparison of Size Effects on Job Growth", *Small Business Economics*, 44(4): 821–844.

Bjuggren, C. M., Daunfeldt, S-O., and Johansson, D. (2013). "High-Growth Firms and Family Ownership", *Journal of Small Business and Entrepreneurship*, 26(4): 365–385.

Bjuggren, C. M., Johansson, D., and Stenkula, M. (2012). "Using Self-employment as Proxy for Entrepreneurship: Some Empirical Caveats", *International Journal of Entrepreneurship and Small Business*, 17(3): 290–303.

Bjuggren, C M., Johansson, D., and Sjögren, H. (2011). "A Note on Employment and Gross Domestic Product in Swedish Family-Owned Businesses: A Descriptive Analysis", *Family Business Review*, 24(4): 362–371.

Heshmati, A., Johansson, D., and Bjuggren, C. M. (2010). "Effective Corporate Tax Rates and the Size Distribution of Firms", *Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade*, 10(3–4): 297–317.

Work in Progress

Avoiding the Housewife Stigma: Self-Employment as a Female Career Choice (with Magnus Henrekson) IFN Working Paper No. 1200

This paper investigates career choices of women who marry high-income men. In particular, the paper focuses on the choice of leaving salaried employment to start a business. We find that women married to men in the top of the income distribution are more likely to enter self-employment, which is also associated with a lower income. This can be interpreted as a career choice that produces a more flexible work schedule in return for lower income. In a Nordic welfare state where work is the norm for women, self-employment offers a way to avoid the stay-at-home stigma. It allows one to stay in the workforce while enjoying approval from society and being in control of one's work schedule and other professional demands.

Job Security and Employment Prospects of the Unemployed and Participants in Active Labor Market Programs (with Per Skedinger)

We use a reform in the Swedish employment protection legislation (EPL) that decreased dismissal costs for small firms only, to investigate the effect of EPL on the share of workers that were hired from unemployment and active labor market programs (ALMPs). The results indicate that less stringent EPL increased the share of workers hired from unemployment, with no discernible effect on worker transitions from employment to unemployment. We also find that the hiring of workers from different types of active labor market programs increased. Taken together, these results suggest that there was less screening of new hires by firms after the reform, and that liberalization of EPL mitigates the negative employment consequences of adverse selection into unemployment and ALMPs.

Gender Differences in Optimism (with Niklas Elert)

We use a large survey dataset to show that women are less optimistic than men regarding both the present and the future economic situation in Sweden. The gender differences in optimism, however, disappear in sharp economic downturns, when both men and women quickly lower their expectations. We show how this convergence in beliefs can be explained by the amount of information available on the economy. Lack of access to this information might encourage over-optimism in men compared to women. When feedback about the economy is abundant, as in times of economic crises, men are not more over-optimistic than women.

An International Comparison of the Contribution to Job Creation by High Growth Firms

(with Anyadike-Danes, M., Dumont, M., Gottschalk, S., Hölzl, W., Johansson, D., Maliranta, M., Myrann, A., Nielsen, K., and Zheng, G.) IFN Working Paper No. 1216

Dissertation

Bjuggren, C. M. (2013). *Family Matters: Essays on Family Firms and Employment Protection*, Linköping Studies in Arts and Science No. 592, Linköping University.

Publications Without Peer Review

Bjuggren, C. M., Olsson, M., and Skedinger, P. (2018), "Turordningsregler – lagstiftning med konsekvenser eller spel för gallerierna?", [Seniority rules – a legislation of importance or a just charade?], *Ekonomisk Debatt* 46(3), 5–16.

Bjuggren, C. M., and Johansson, D. (2009). "Privat och offentlig sysselsättning i Sverige 1950-2005", [Private and Public Employment in Sweden 1950-2005], *Ekonomisk Debatt*, 37(1): 41–53.

Presentations at Conferences/Seminars (including scheduled)

- 2018: American Economic Association (AEA) Annual Meeting, Philadelphia; Public Choice Society Annual Meetings, Charleston; European Association of Labour Economists (EALE) Conference, Lyon.
- 2017: American Economic Association (AEA) Annual Meeting, Chicago; Washington University in St. Louis; University of Memphis; Public Choice Society Annual Meetings, New Orleans; European Association of Labour Economists (EALE) Conference, St. Gallen; Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).
- 2016: American Economic Association (AEA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco; Washington University in St. Louis; Society of Labor Economists (SOLE) Meetings, Seattle; University of Missouri – St. Louis.
- 2015: Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (EEA), Mannheim; IFN Workshop on the Economics of Corporate Ownership (discussant), Stockholm; International Society for New Institutional Economics (ISNIE), Harvard University; Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN); Jönköping International Business School.
- 2014: European Association of Labour Economists (EALE) Conference, Ljubljana; Royal Institute of Technology, KTH; Ratio Institute; The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise; University of Missouri – St. Louis.
- 2013: Public defense of Ph.D. thesis at Linköping University; Stockholm School of Economics, EHFF; Jönköping International Business School; Ratio Institute.
- 2012: Public Choice Seminar, George Mason University; Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).
- 2011: European University Institute (EUI), Florence; Linköping University; Stockholm School of Economics, EHFF; ICSB World Conference, Stockholm.
- 2010: Ratio Colloquium for Young Social Scientists, Ratio Institute; Linköping University; Regional Studies Association (RSA) Conference, University of Stirling.
- 2009: Ratio Institute; Joint Annual Meeting of the Business History Conference, Bocconi University.

Referee

Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Labour Economics, Empirical Economics, Small Business Economics, Managerial and Decision Economics, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Organization Studies, Industrial and Corporate Change, International Small Business Journal, Journal of Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Teaching

Course Instructor:

3023 Personnel Economics, University of Memphis (undergraduate level, Fall 2018).

7100 Economics for the Global Executive, University of Memphis (MBA, Summer 2018).

2020 Introduction to Microeconomics, University of Memphis (undergraduate level, Spring 2018).

3001 Intermediate Microeconomics, University of Missouri – St. Louis (undergraduate level, Spring 2017).

Guest Lecturer:

5001 Microeconomic Analysis, University of Missouri – St. Louis (2 guest lectures, graduate level, Spring 2016).

1001 Principles Of Microeconomics, University of Missouri – St. Louis (2 guest lectures, undergraduate level, Spring 2016).

3001 Intermediate Microeconomics, University of Missouri – St. Louis (1 guest lecture, undergraduate level, Spring 2016).

4040 Analysis of Business Cycles, University of Missouri – St. Louis (1 guest lecture, undergraduate level, Fall 2015).

Teaching Assistant:

730G73 Economic Policies, Linköping University (lectures, seminars, create and grade exams, undergraduate level, Spring 2012).

730A19 Institutional and Game Theoretical Analysis, Linköping University (seminars, graduate level, Fall 2010).

Teaching Interests

Undergraduate level:

Microeconomics, Econometrics, Labor Economics, Public Finance.

Graduate and PhD level:

Primary: Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Public Economics

Secondary: Econometrics, Theory of the Firm, Microeconomics.

Miscellaneous

Languages: Swedish (mother tongue), English (fluent), German (intermediate).

Software and Programming Languages: \LaTeX , Stata, R, SPSS.

Memberships: American Economic Association (AEA), Society of Labor Economists (SOLE), European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), European Economic Association (EEA), Nationalekonomiska Föreningen.

Work Experience

Research Assistant at the Ratio Institute (2007-2009).

Researcher at Trivector AB, consulting firm (2006-2007).