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## Current position

2021- Postdoc in Economics at the Research Institute of Industrial Economics,  
Stockholm, Sweden

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## Other affiliations

2021- Department of Economics and Statistics at Linnaeus University, Växjö, Sweden

2020- Swedish Institute for Social Research, Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden

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## Past employments

2018-2021 Postdoc in Economics at Linnaeus University Centre for Discrimination and  
Integration Studies, Linnaeus University, Växjö, Sweden

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## Education

2012-2018 PhD student in Economics, Stockholm University, Sweden

Thesis supervisors: Björn Tyrefors and Jonas Vlachos

Graduation: 31 November 2018

2009-2011 M.Sc. in Econometrics, Stockholm University

2006-2009 B.Sc. in Economics, Stockholm University

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## References

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## Research fields

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Primary fields: Gender Economics, Discrimination, Applications in Big Data and Machine Learning, Political Economics  
Secondary fields: Labor Economics, Empirical Labor Economics

## Publications

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### **[Grading Bias and the Leaky Pipeline in Economics: Evidence from Stockholm University](#)**

(with Björn Tyrefors) (*Accepted in Labour Economics*)

Abstract: We estimate a substantial female grade gain when being graded anonymously compared to male students in 101-macroeconomics courses. Females graded anonymously are more likely to continue with economics studies. This suggests that biased grading is a direct cause of the “leaky pipeline” phenomenon in economics. As male graders are the majority, we complement our analysis and evaluate the importance of same-sex bias using random assignment of graders. Although, we estimate a substantial same-sex bias before anonymous exams were introduced, it cannot explain the overall effect of grading bias. Thus, same-sex bias is not the mechanism explaining the overall effect of grading bias.

[Working paper](#)

## Research papers

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### **Discrimination of Transgender People in the Swedish Rental Housing Market**

(with Sofia Fritzon) (*submitted*)

Abstract: We present novel evidence from the first correspondence study on discrimination based on a signal of gender identity in the rental housing market. Eight hundred fictitious letters were sent to the landlords of 800 available apartments in a preregistered trial. We find that a signal of having changed gender, indicated by a name change, does not significantly decrease the positive response or invitation to a showing rate compared to nongender changing applicants. However, changing from a female to a male name led to fewer positive responses, while changing from a male to a female name led to fewer direct invitations compared to a nongender changing female applicant. The intention-to-treat main null result is robust to instrumenting an indication of compliance with the transgender treatment.

[Working paper](#)

### **Misogynistic and Xenophobic Hate Language Online: A Matter of Anonymity**

(with Emma von Essen) (*submitted*)

Abstract: Social media provides opportunities to disseminate political opinions anonymously, concurrently allowing for the spread of xenophobic and misogynistic hate. Hate threatens to silence voices and distort informational content. Combining a machine-learning model with an event-study design, we estimate how exogenous changes in writer anonymity affect hate in online political discussions. We find that a decrease in anonymity generates less xenophobia but more misogyny by a combination of a reduction in hate and a substitution between xenophobic and misogynistic hate. Similarly, information seems to become less distorted by decreasing fake news links about immigration but not those relating to feminism.

## **Anticipation Effects of a Board Room Gender Quota Law: Evidence from a Credible Threat in Sweden**

(With Björn Tyrefors) *(submitted)*

Abstract: Implementation of boardroom quota laws has been evaluated previously. However, firms anticipate laws. We provide novel results on female board participation and board recruitment in Sweden due to a credible threat of a quota law. The threat caused a rapid increase in the share of female board members, an increased board diversity, a lower turnover rate for directors and a lower turnover for male CEOs in profitable firms. Interestingly, firm performance improved. Thus, we show it is possible to increase the share of women on boards without resorting to quotas and that anticipatory effects could be essential to the analysis.

[Working paper](#)

## **Gender Grading Bias at the University Level: Quasi-experimental Evidence from an Anonymous Grading Reform**

(With Björn Tyrefors) *(submitted)*

Abstract: In this paper, we present evidence of female university students benefiting from being graded anonymously, making use of a university-wide reform. Anonymous grading raises female relative to male grades by approximately 0.04-0.06 of a standard deviation. This finding conflicts with previous results at the pretertiary education level. Interestingly, the effect is driven by smaller classes and by male-dominated departments.

## Research in progress

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### **Differences in prison sentencing between the genders and immigration background in Sweden: discrepancies and possible explanations**

*(Draft available on request)*

Abstract: I use data on punished drunk drivers to document differences in sentencing for the same crime between immigrants and native born and males and females respectively. Differences in past criminal activity or other individual observables can not explain the difference in sentencing. However, potentially the introduction of politically affiliated lay jurors might explain most of the difference between immigrants and native born, while the gender difference can be explained by differences in crime recidivism.

### **Political language and hate online (with Emma von Essen)**

### **Long term effects of early tracking in schools (with Björn Tyrefors and Christian Møller Dahl)**

### **Mild Sentencing and Crime Deterrence (with Mikael Priks, Per Pettersson-Lidbom och Björn Tyrefors)**

## Presentations

### 2022:

November 11-12: Presentation at the Swedish Conference in Economics

October 6: Presentation at the Institute for Analytical Sociology, Linköping University

September 30: Presentation at Aarhus University

September 21: Presentation at the University of Gothenburg

September 7: Presentation at Lund University

August 22-26: Presentation at the European Economic Associations congress

### 2021:

December 9: Presentation at AASLE 2021, Peking University  
November 18: Presentation at the Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University  
August: Presentation at the 2021 EEA congress  
June 8: Presentation at the Department of Linguistics, Stockholm University  
January 27: Presentation at Aalto University School of Business

2020:

Postponed due to Corona: Presentation at Aarhus University

2019:

December 12: Presentation at the AASLE 2019 conference, Singapore  
March 4: Presentation at the Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm  
February 7: Presentation at Linnaeus University, Växjö

2018:

December 20: Presentation at the Board diversity quotas: Yes, no, maybe? conference, Stockholm  
December 15: Presentation at the AASLE 2018 conference, Seoul  
October 11: Presentation at the AoIR 2018 conference, Montreal

2017:

September 26: Presentation at Stockholm University  
March 10: Presentation at Aarhus University

2016:

December 6: Presentation at Stockholm University  
March 8: Presentation at Stockholm University  
January 18: Presentation at the Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm

2015:

August 26: Presentation at the 2nd Conference on Discrimination and Labour Market Research, Kalmar  
June 3: Presentation at the PhD-organized conference SUDSWEC, Uppsala  
June 1: Presentation at the Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm  
February 10: Presentation at Stockholm University

## Related work experience

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2011-2012 Research assistant, Research Institute of Industrial Economics  
2009-2011 Teaching assistant, Department of Economics

## Teaching experience

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Spring 2021:

Lecturer, Economics of migration, Linnaeus University  
Stata exercises, Advanced Empirical Methods in Economics (Master level), Linnaeus University  
Stata tutorial, Bachelor students, Linnaeus University

Spring 2020:

Lecturer, Economics of migration, Linnaeus University  
Introductory microeconomics course, Linnaeus University  
Stata tutorial, Bachelor students, Linnaeus University

Fall 2019:

Guest lecturer, Introductory microeconomics course, Linnaeus University

### Spring 2018:

TA, Econometrics 2 (Master level), Stockholm University

### Spring 2016:

TA, Econometrics 2 (Master level), Stockholm University

### Spring 2015:

TA, Econometrics 2 (Master level), Stockholm University

### Spring 2014:

TA, Econometrics 3b: Time Series Data (Master level), Stockholm University

### Spring 2011:

TA, Introductory microeconomics course, Stockholm University

TA, Introductory macroeconomics course, Stockholm University

### Fall 2010:

TA, Introductory microeconomics course, Stockholm University

TA, Introductory macroeconomics course, Stockholm University

### Spring 2010:

TA, Introductory macroeconomics course, Stockholm University

### Fall 2009:

TA, Introductory macroeconomics course, Stockholm University

## Supervision

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2022	Three Master theses
2021	Three Master theses, Two Bachelor theses
2020	Two Bachelor theses
2019	One Bachelor thesis

## Computer skills

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Stata, R, Python, Latex, Microsoft Office

## Languages

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Swedish: Native

English: Fluent

Spanish: Basic communication skills

## Personal information

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Date of birth: 8 October 1986

Citizenship: Swedish

Family: Domestic partner and one daughter

Parental leave period: December 2017 – December 2018