

Curriculum vitae

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1 Personal details

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2 Education and degrees awarded

- Doctor of Philosophy, Turku School of Economics, economic sociology, 4th October 2004
- Docent of economic and structural sociology, University of Eastern Finland, 2008
- Docent in economic sociology, Turku School of Economics, 2008

3 Other education and training, qualifications and skills

- Master of Social Sciences, University of Turku, sociology, 24th September 1997
- Matriculation, Lahden lyseon lukio, 5th June 1993

4 Languages (self-assessed)

Finnish (native); English (excellent); Swedish (good, civil servant examination); German (fair)

5 Current position

- Professor of Sociology (tenured), University of Turku, August 2012 –
- Career stage: leading researcher (professor, research director)

Other commitments:

- Director INVEST Research Flagship Center, University of Turku, 2019 –
- Vice-director of Academy of Finland SRC project TITA, University of Turku, May 2015 –

6 Previous work experience

- Head of sociology unit, sociology, University of Turku, August 2012 – May 2019
- Editor of Acta Sociologica Journal, Nordic Sociological Association, January 2015 – 2018
- President of the Westermarck Society, Finnish Sociological Association, January 2017 – 2018
- Director of Turku Center for Welfare Research, 1.8.2013 – 31.7.2015
- Visiting Fellow. Department of Sociology / CIQLE, Yale University, USA. 1.2.-31.3.2011
- Academy Research Fellow of Academy of Finland, Univ. Turku, 1.8.2009-31.7.2014.
- Research fellow, Turku Institute for Advanced Studies, Univ, Turku, 1.3.2009-30.7.2009
- Senior researcher, National Institute for Health and Welfare, Helsinki, 1.6.2008-30.2.2009
- Visiting Fellow, European University Institute, Italia, 1.11.2006-30.4.2007
- Post doc researcher of Academy of Finland, Turku Sch. Econ., 1.8.2005-30.6.2008
- Researcher, Åbo Akademi, ISES, 1.7.-31.12.2004
- Researcher, Economic sociology, Turku Sch. Econ. 1.1.2003-30.6.2004,
- Assistant, Economic sociology, Turku Sch. Econ. 1.1.2001-30.7.2005
- Assistant, sociology, Univ. Turku, 1.8.2000-31.12.2000
- Researcher, sociology, Univ. Turku, 1.5.1998-31.5.2000
- Researcher with a grant, sociology, Univ. Turku, 30.11.1997-31.1.1998.
- Civil servant trainee, National Research Institute of Legal Policy, Helsinki, 31.5-31.8.1997

7 Research funding, leadership and supervision

- Director of “Inequalities, Interventions, and the New Welfare State (INVEST)” (Academy of Finland Flagship Funding), 2019-2026
- Co-PI of research project: ”Inequality, early adult life courses and economic outcomes at mid-life in comparative context (EQUALLIVES)” (Norface DIAL, PI Susan Harkness, University of Bath), 2018-2021
- Co-PI of research project: “Life Course Dynamics of Educational Tracking (LIFETRACK)” (Norface DIAL, PI Steffen Schindler, University of Bamberg), 2018-2021

- PI of research project: Intergenerational Cumulative Disadvantage and Resource Compensation (INDIRECT). European Research Council Consolidator Grant 4/2014-3/2019. European Union
- PI of research project: Intergenerational accumulative disadvantages in Turku and other city environments. City of Turku Research Programme 2015-2016. City of Turku/University of Turku/Åbo Akademi
- PI of research project: Life-course, disadvantageous experiences and socioeconomic inheritance – research group. Academy of Finland, Alli Paasikivi Foundation, 1/2011-12/2014
- Academy researcher's grant: “Life-course, disadvantageous experiences and socioeconomic inheritance”. Academy of Finland, 8/2009-7/2014
- TIAS collegium researcher's project: “Intergenerational socio-economic transmission of inequality: family background, life-course, skill and traits”, 3/2009-2/2012
- Academy post doc grant: “Pathways to inequality – a drain or own trail? Macro- and micro-level explanations of inter- and intragenerational social mobility and inequality of opportunity”. Academy of Finland, 8/2005-12/2008
- Number of post doc researchers: 6 (supervisor)
- Number of PhD students: 14 (9 primary supervisor)

8 Merits in teaching and pedagogical competence

Teaching positions

- Professor of Sociology (current), August 1, 2012 -, University of Turku
- Economic Sociology Assistant, January 1, 2001 - July 31, 2005, Turku School of Economics
- Sociology Assistant, August 1 - December 31, 2000, The University of Turku

Teaching demonstrations

- Professor of sociology, University of Turku, 2012, grade: excellent
- Adjunct professorship in economic and structural sociology, University of Eastern Finland, 2008; teaching demonstration grade good
- Adjunct professorship economic sociology, Turku School of Economics, 2008; teaching demonstration approved (no grades)

Supervision of theses

- Supervised PhDs, defended: Hannu Lehti (sociology, 2020), Heta Pöyliö (sociology, 2019), Liisa-Maria Palomäki (sociology, 2018), Aleksi Karhula (sociology, 2017), Antti Kouvo (sociology, 2014), Johanna Kallio (social policy, 2010, external supervisor), Mia Hakovirta (social policy, 2007, external supervisor)
- Supervised PhDs, ongoing: Juha Knuuti (2013-), Sanni Jalonen (2014-), Katja Pohjola (2014-), Teemu Vauhkonen (2015-), Sanna Kailaheimo (2016-), Minna Tuominen (2016-), Camilla Kantola (2016-), Laura Salonen (2016-), Esa Karonen (2016-), Hannu Pihlajamäki (2017-), Laura Heiskala (2017-), Niko Eskelinen (2018-), Markus Laaninen (2019-), Margus Pruel (2019-)

Awarded supervised master theses

- Laura Salonen, awarded by Finnish Social Science Professionals, 2016
- Sauli Hyvärinen, awarded by Social Policy Association of Finland, 2012
- Outi Sarpila, awarded by the Westermarck Society, Finnish Youth Research Society and the Union of the University Researchers and Teachers in Turku School of Economics, 2005
- Hanna Ylitalo, awarded by Turku School of Economics and the Union of the University Researchers and Teachers in Turku School of Economics, 2004

9 Awards, prizes and honours

- Finalists of the 2014 Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award, paper: “Labor and Love: Wives’ Employment and divorce Risk in its Socio-Political Context”
- Population Association of America 2014 Meeting Poster Award, paper: “Sibling Similarity in Family Formation”

10 Other scientific or academic merits

A pre-examiner of an opponent of a doctoral dissertation, a member in dissertation committees

- PhD reviewer, Paulya Claro, Tampere University, 2019/2020
- PhD reviewer & opponent, Teemu Kemppainen, University of Helsinki, 2017
- PhD reviewer, Outi Sirniö, University of Helsinki, 2016
- PhD reviewer & opponent, Anders Hjort-Trolle, University of Copenhagen, 2016
- PhD reviewer & opponent, Antti Tanskanen, University of Eastern Finland, 2014
- PhD review board, Martin Kolk, Stockholm University, 2014
- PhD review, Teemu Mantsinen, University of Turku, 2013
- PhD review, Tomi Oinas, University of Jyväskylä, 2010

Evaluation of academic/scientific or artistic competence

- Reviewer for docentship, Stephanie Plenty, University of Stockholm, 2019
- Reviewer for docentship, Mira Kalalahti, University of Turku, 2017
- Reviewer for docentship, Peter Fallesen, University of Stockholm, 2016
- Reviewer for the second phase of tenure track Assistant Professor in learning and educational research (Tero Järvinen), 2015
- Reviewer for Associate Professor in General Sociology, University of Tartu, 2015
- Reviewer for tenure track Assistant Professor in research on population aging and its social consequences, University of Helsinki (re-opens call), 2014
- Reviewer for tenure track Assistant Professor in research on population aging and its social consequences, University of Helsinki, 2013
- Reviewer for docentship, Ville Hallikainen, University of Lapland, 2009

Member of international peer review panels for funding applications

- Swedish Research Council Consolidator grant 2018
- University of Padova Starting Grant 2017
- Riksbanken's Jubileumsfond grants 2015, 2017
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowships 2016
- ASLA Fulbright Graduate Grant 2016
- Kulttuurirahasto research grants 2016
- Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award 2016
- Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare post doc grants 2015
- Post doc applications, "Social Stratification Dynamics" (SUNSTRAT) -project, The Swedish Institute for Social Research, Stockholm, 2012
- EU 7th Framework Program application reviewer, (FP7-SSH-2010-2 Social cohesion), 2010

Memberships and positions of trust in scientific and scholarly societies

- Board member of Finnish Population Research Association
- Board member of Turku Center for Welfare Research

National or international expert groups, evaluation or steering committees, other expert duties

- External review of Norwegian social sciences 2016-2018, review board for sociology
- Advisory board member "The New Shape of Family-Related Gender Stratification (NEWFAMSTRAT)", ERC Consolidator Grant, PI Lynn Prince Cooke, Univ. Bath, 2016-
- Specialist advisory board member "Social Stratification Dynamics" (SUNSTRAT) -project, The Swedish Institute for Social Research, Stockholm, 2010-2013
- Luxemburg Income Study, Advisory Board member, July 2007-

Positions as editor-in-chief, editor, member of editorial boards

- Advisory editorial board member of Social Forces-journal (JUFO 3), 1/2014-
- Editor of Acta Sociologica (JUFO3), 2015-2018
- Editorial board of The Open Sociology Journal, 2/2008-12/2011
- Editor and founder of Research on Finnish Society -journal, 2007-2013

Referee for scientific and scholarly journals

- Acta Sociologica, Advances in Life Course Research, American Journal of Public Health, American Sociological Review, British Journal of Sociology, Current Sociology, Demographic Research, European Sociological Review, Janus, Journal of Economic Research, Journal of European Social Policy, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Open Sociology, Sociology (BSA), Sociological Forum, Sociological Quarterly, Young

Administrative responsibilities at higher education institutions

- Member of the shared service management system renewal steering group of University of Turku, 2016 –2019
- Member of assessment group for the salary system (UPJ) of University of Turku, 2015-2019
- Member of Research Council of University of Turku, 2015-2019
- Director of Turku Center for Welfare Research, 2013-2015
- Organizing chair for the Annual Conference of Westermarck Society 2013
- Organizing chair for summer school “Life-course dynamics and the mechanisms of social inequality”, Turku 2011
- Member of scientific and post-graduate research council of Turku School of Economics, November 2006 - December 2009
- Member of assessment group for the salary system (UPJ) of Turku School of Economics, January 2005-2008

11 Societal impact of research

Merits related to the production and distribution of research results and data

- Collection Finland 1999, 2004, 2009, 2014, 2019 surveys
- Collection of WEBE I and WEBE II-surveys

Merits related to science communication, science popularisation and media appearances

- Frequent appearances in newspapers, radio, tv and other media
- Blogger for the Finnish Union of University Professors, 2017
- Blogger for Academy of Finland, 2012-2016
- “Luokkakone” (Social Class Test), a web test in Helsingin Sanomat newspaper, 2014

12 Positions of trust in society and other societal merits

- Chairman of Finnish Union of University Professors, University of Turku section, 2015–2019
- Finnish Union for University Professors, Chairman of University of Turku chapter, 2015-
- Finnish Union for University Professors, Vice Chairman of University of Turku chapter, 2014
- Chairman of Exec. Committee of the Union of University Researchers and Teachers in Turku School of Economics, 2005-2006
- Member of representatives of the Students Union in University of Turku, 1996-1997
- Chairman of the Association of the Students of Sociology at University of Turku, 1995