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Research Interests

Economics of Education, Teachers, Teacher Value-Added

Professional Experience

2025-2028 **PhD Student**, Aarhus University

Affiliations: Department of Economics and Business Economics, TrygFonden's Centre for Child Research

2024-2025 **Research Assistant**, Aarhus University

2023-2024 **Teaching Assistant**, Aarhus University

Education

2025-2028 **PhD Economics**, Aarhus University

Supervisors: Professor Maria Knoth Humlum and Professor Helena Skyt Nielsen

2022-2025 **MSc Economics (Public Policy)**, Aarhus University

2019-2022 **BSc Public Policy**, Aarhus University

Work in Progress

“Do Same-Sex Teachers Affect Students' Academic Achievement and Later Educational Choices?”

Details: An empirical study using Danish register data and a student-teacher fixed effects model

“Teacher Quality and the Gender Gap in Educational Performance” (with S. C. Andersen, M. A. Houmark, M. K. Humlum, and M. Mørk)

Details: An empirical study estimating gender-specific teacher value-added

Seminar, Workshop, and Conference Presentations

2025 Nordic Economics Workshop for Early-Career Researchers (Umeå), Labor and Public Policy Seminar (Aarhus)

Teaching Experience

2023-2025 Econometrics of Policy Evaluation (undergraduate, TA)

PhD Courses

- 2026 RCTs in Education - Method and Findings (lectured by Professor Susan Dynarski)
- 2025 Advanced Econometrics (Aarhus University), Education, Inequality, and Mobility (lectured by Professor Jesse Rothstein), Gender Diversity in Economics (Paris School of Economics)