

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal

Date of birth: October 22, 1983
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Current employment

2017 – Senior Researcher (*Forsker 1*), Statistics Norway
Research Department, Unit for Microeconomics

Education

2008–2012 PhD Economics, Department of Economics, University of Oslo
Dissertation: *Pension Reforms and the Labour Market: Wages, Retirement Age and Youth Employment*
Advisers: Kjetil Storesletten and Knut Røed

2007–2008 Master in Economic Theory and Econometrics, Toulouse School of Economics
Thesis: *Retirement Age and Time Inconsistent Behaviour*
Adviser: Helmuth Cremer

2003–2009 Bachelor of Arts, Department of Economics, University of Oslo
Study programme: Economic Theory and Econometrics

Articles in refereed journals

- “Labour Supply Effects of Early Retirement Provision”, *Labour Economics*, 25, 98-109, 2013
- “Does Retirement Age Impact Mortality?”, *Journal of Health Economics*, 32(3), 586-598, 2013
(joint with Erik Hernæs, Simen Markussen and John Piggott)

Working papers and work in progress

- “Life Expectancy and Claiming Behavior in a Flexible Pension System”, joint with Christian N. Brinch and Dennis Fredriksen (accepted for publication in the *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*)
- “What can we learn about household consumption expenditure from data on income and assets?”, joint with Lasse Eika and Magne Mogstad (revision requested by the *Journal of Public Economics*)
- “Excess Early Retirement? Evidence from the Norwegian 2011 Pension Reform”, joint with Christian N. Brinch and Josef Zweimüller (in progress)

- “Early Retirement and Youth Employment in Norway” (working paper available online)
- “Who Pays for Occupational Pensions?”, Memorandum 16/2011, Department of Economics, University of Oslo (more recent version available online)
- “Labour mobility, pension portability and the lack of lock-in effects”, Australian School of Business Research Paper No. 2011 AIPAR 01 (joint with Erik Hernæs, John Piggott and Tao Zhang)

Policy reports and articles in Norwegian

- “Effects of in-work tax credits on labour supply among immigrants”, Reports 2016/38, Statistics Norway (written in Norwegian)
- “Income growth over the life cycle”, Reports 2014/3, Statistics Norway (written in Norwegian)
- “Effekter av AFP på sysselsetting blant eldre arbeidstakere”, Økonomiske analyser, 4/2013 (written in Norwegian)
- “Firm entry and post-entry performance in selected Norwegian industries”, Report 2/2007, Frisch Centre
- “Inntektsfordeling og inntektsmobilitet – pensjonsgivende inntekt i Norge 1971-2003”, Report 7/2006, Frisch Centre (written in Norwegian)

Research grants

- 2016–2019 Norwegian Research Council (250516), co-investigator
Project title: *Labor Markets, Firm Behavior and Public Policy*, NOK 7.5 Million
- 2015–2016 NBER Retirement Research Consortium, co-investigator
With Christian Brinch and Josef Zweimüller
- 2013–2018 Norwegian Research Council (227020), Principal investigator (since November 2014)
Project title: *Push and Pull Factors in Early Retirement*, NOK 8.3 Million

Presentations

- 2016 Annual Meeting of the Retirement Research Consortium, Washington, DC
- 2015 VATT, Helsinki; CIRANO Workshop, Montréal; EEA Conference, Mannheim; SOLE/EALE Conference, Montréal; BEL-Ageing Workshop, Ghent
- 2014 Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen; Trygdeforskningsseminaret, Bergen; Copenhagen Business School; EEA-ESEM Conference, Toulouse; EALE Conference, Ljubljana
- 2013 University of Bergen; Leibniz Seminar of the Berlin Network of Labour Market Researchers, Humboldt-Universität Berlin; EALE Conference, Turin; EEA-ESEM Conference, Gothenburg; 12th IZA/SOLE Transatlantic Meeting of Labor Economists; 3rd SEEK Conference, Mannheim; IZA Workshop on Labor Markets and Labor Market Policies for Older Workers, Bonn; Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Royal Holloway; Annual Meeting of the Norwegian Association of Economists
- 2012 Institute for social research, Oslo; EALE Conference, Bonn; EEA-ESEM Conference, Málaga; University of Reading; CERGE-EI, Prague; École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Analyse de l'Information (Ensaï), Rennes; Statistics Norway, Oslo; Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Cambridge; University of Oslo (ESOP); University of Manchester; Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm
- 2011 EALE Conference, Pafos; 13th IZA/CEPR European Summer Symposium in Labour Economics (ESSLE); EEA-ESEM Conference, Oslo; 25th Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), Hangzhou; Norwegian School of Management, Oslo; Institute for Fiscal Studies, London; Annual Meeting of the Norwegian Association of Economists
- 2010 ESPE Annual Conference, Essen; Annual Meeting of the Norwegian Association of Economists

Longer visits

- 2015 Visiting scholar, University of Chicago (February – May)
Sponsor: Magne Mogstad
- 2014 Visiting scholar, UC Berkeley, Center for Labor Economics (January – June)
Sponsor: David Card
- 2011 Visiting PhD student, Institute for Fiscal Studies (March – June)
Sponsor: Richard Blundell
- 2006–2007 Exchange student at Université Toulouse 1 Sciences Sociales

Work experience

- 2015–2017 Full Time Researcher, Department of Economics, University of Chicago
- 2012–2017 Researcher (*Forsker 2*), Statistics Norway
On leave Sept. 2015–Sept. 2017
- 2008–2012 Doctoral Student, Ragnar Frisch Centre for Economic Research, Oslo
- 2011 Teaching assistant, Department of Economics, University of Oslo (autumn)
Course: *ECON4715 Labour economics* (graduate)
- 2008 Teaching assistant, Department of Economics, University of Oslo (autumn)
Course: *ECON1210 Consumer behaviour, firm behaviour and markets* (undergraduate)
- 2007 Student assistant, Frisch Centre (June – August)
Project: *Research and development, industry dynamics and public policy*
- 2005–2006 Student assistant, Frisch Centre (December 2005 – June 2006)
Project: *1319. Earnings inequality and pensions*
- 2005 Teaching assistant, Department of Economics, University of Oslo (autumn)
Course: *ECON1210 Consumer behaviour, firm behaviour and markets* (undergraduate)

Referee assignments

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; Empirical Economics; Journal of the Economics of Ageing; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Public Economics; Labour Economics; Norwegian Journal of Working Life Studies; Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics
Excellence in Reviewing Award 2015, Labour Economics

Languages: Norwegian (first language), English (fluent), French (good knowledge)