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Preface

The Department of Sociology was founded in 1954, and offers education in Sociology at all levels and in Sociological Demography at master and graduate level. Masters and graduate programmes are taught in English and attract international applicants. Besides we conduct research in both Sociology and Demography of high international standard.

The Department of Sociology is overseen by a board that decides on principal strategic matters and policies, curricula's and course literature. The executive responsibility for the work at the department is carried out by the Head of Department Magnus Nermo and the Deputy Head of Department Charlotta Stern. The Head of Department is assisted by, the Administrative Manager (Thomas Nordgren), the Director of Studies for undergraduate and master level (Peter Åkerbäck), the Director of Graduate Studies (Sunnee Billingsley) and the Assistant Director of Studies of undergraduate and master level (Anna Borén) and the Assistant Director of studies of Graduate studies (Anna-Carin Haag).

By the end of 2018, the department included about 80 employees from fifteen countries, working in different areas of Sociology and Demography. The Department's research seminar series – Sociology Seminar, the Demographic Colloquium and the Stockholm Sessions on Migration – continued throughout the year, featuring both invited scholars, and the department's own researchers. The Department's Demography Unit, SUDA, organized a well-attended lecture by Professor Jane Falkingham, University of Southampton. She gave an inspiring lecture titled "Population Change and the Need for "Life Course Sensitive" Policy" in March 2018. This lecture was the second lecture in the Jan M. Hoem Distinguished Lecture in Demography series.

We also continued the work with our successful science communication, through press releases, blog posts in our research blog "[Socio\(b\)log](#)", and a lecture for potential students at Stockholm University's open house in spring. Moreover, we collaborated with the Department of Statistics for a series of study visits for senior high school students.

The annual report presents educational and research activities and collaborations in 2018, as well as a list of staff members. For publications, [please see this extensive list in the publishing system the Digital Academic Archive, DiVA](#). Additional information on current activities can be found on our website www.sociology.su.se.

Educational activities

The educational activities on the undergraduate level include individual courses as well as three bachelor programmes in Sociology. The department offer masters and doctoral programmes in both Sociology and Sociological Demography. The masters and doctoral programs are taught in English and attract applicants from all over the world.

The educational activities are managed by the Director of Studies for Undergraduate and Advanced level (Peter Åkerbäck), the Director of Studies for Graduate Programmes (Sunnee Billingsley), the assistant directors of studies for graduate programmes (Anna Carin Haag), and for undergraduate and advanced level (Anna Borén). During 2018, about 650 students studied at the department.

Undergraduate and Advanced level

Besides three independent sociology courses on undergraduate level (Sociology I, II, and III) each corresponding to 30 credits, the Department offered three bachelor programmes in Swedish:

1. Kandidatprogram i sociologi: Arbetsliv och arbetsmarknad (*Bachelor Programme in Sociology: Working Life and Labour Market*)
2. Kandidatprogrammet Personal, arbete och organisation (PAO) (*Bachelor Programme Personnel, Work and Organization*)
3. Kandidatprogrammet för sociologisk samhällsanalys (*Bachelor Programme for Sociological Social Analysis*)

On advanced level the Department offer five master programmes in Sociology and Demography:

1. Master´s Programme in Applied Social Research (120 credits)
2. Master´s Programme in Sociology (120 credits)
3. Masterprogram i personal, arbete och organisation (*Master's Program in Personnel, Work and Organization*) (120 credits)
4. Multidisciplinary Master's Programme in Demography (120 credits)
5. Master´s Programme in Demography (60 credits)

Doctoral programmes

The Department offer doctoral programmes in Sociology and Sociological Demography, and accepts about 2-3 new doctoral students per year. In 2018, five doctoral students successfully defended their thesis (please see the list under headline *Dissertations in 2018 (in Alphabetical order)*). By the end of 2018 the department had about 36 active doctoral students in Sociology and Sociological Demography, 12 located at the Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI) and one at SoRAD (part of the newly established Department for Public Health Sciences at Stockholm University).

Research activities

The Department has a strong international research profile. The research includes many facets of Sociology and the Department is also home to the Stockholm University Demography Unit (SUDA), which is a well renowned international group of scholars and doctoral students, working on many facets of population dynamics. In all, the Department is especially competitive in the areas of Demography, Gender, Family Sociology, Political sociology, Social Policy Regimes, and Social Networks and Social Stratification. Faculty members are highly active in the international research community, by leading and coordinating large-scale national and international research programs, and by participating in networks and conferences. We maintain a strong publication record in international peer-review journals with high impact. The Department also have two working paper series in Sociology and Demography.

The Department collaborates with several departments at Stockholm University and is also closely associated with a number of prominent interdisciplinary institutes and centers. These include: Centre for Health Equity Studies (CHESS), Centre for Social Research on Alcohol and Drugs (SoRAD), Stockholm Centre for Organizational Research (SCORE), Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), and the Linnaeus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (SPaDE).

In 2018 faculty member, Vanessa Barker, was promoted to Professor of Sociology. Five researchers (Kieron Barclay, Sara Brolin Låftman, Ingrid Esser, Jonas Landberg, and Rense Nieuwenhuis) affiliated to the Department or associated institutes and departments were appointed Docent (Associate Professor) in Sociology by the Social Sciences Faculty. During the year, three new lecturers in Sociology (Anna Lund, Michael Gähler, and Andrea Voyer) joined the department.

Below follow brief summaries of research activities, teaching activities and collaborations in 2018 for all academic staff (in alphabetical order).

Gunnar Andersson is Professor of Demography and Head of the Department's Demography Unit (Stockholm University Demography Unit). He coordinates a research program on register-based research (Stockholm University SIMSAM Node for Demographic Research) and one on ageing research (Ageing well – Individuals, families and households under changing demographic regimes in Sweden) with support from the Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet) and Forte, respectively. During 2018, he was also involved in developing a new research program on geographical segregation in Sweden, together with colleagues at the university's Department of Human Geography. The new program received funding from Riksbankens Jubileumsfond. Gunnar Andersson gives the introductory course in the department's master program in Demography: Population Development and Social Change. He is involved in the supervision of PhD and master thesis projects and in teaching in SINGS, the research school at Karolinska institutet of the SIMSAM network for register-based research. His research involves many aspects of the demographic behavior and demographic process in Sweden and the other Nordic countries. An study with colleague Caroline Ugglå on divorce risks in different types of occupations received world-wide media attention.

During the first two months of the year, Gunnar stayed as visiting researcher with the demographers at the Australian National University in Canberra.

Gunnar is also active in infrastructure development, both in terms of the organization of the department's register data collections and the Swedish participation in the Generations and Gender Survey Programme.

Amber L. Beckley is a Research Fellow at the Department of Sociology, Demography Unit. In the Fall Term of 2018 she taught the undergraduate level Social Problems course. She is also a co-editor of the Sociology Department's blog, "Socio(b)log".

Amber L. Beckley was trained as a criminologist. Her research focuses on the development of crime and victimization over the life course. During 2018, Amber L. Beckley was funded as a Forte Marie Curie Postdoctoral Fellow and a SPaDE fellow. She was awarded funds from Riksbankens Jubileumsfond for a multi-year project beginning in 2019.

Karin Helmersson Bergmark is Professor of Sociology. She gives, together with Tove Sohlberg, the main course within the Bachelor Programme for Sociological Social Analysis (*Kandidatprogrammet för sociologisk samhällsanalys*). She also tutors and examines thesis work on B.A, M.A. and PhD levels.

Her research includes the following projects/programmes: Contemporary addictions and life online (project investigator, VR), The idea of an evidence based practice within the social services (programme member, RJ) and Long time follow up of former smokers (project member, FORTE). Karin Helmersson Bergmark was also one of the senior members in Nordic Drug Dealing on Social Media, a project group based in the University of Copenhagen with funding from the Scandinavian Research Council for Criminology 2017-2018. She presented "Behavioral addictions or behavioral problems - A social science perspective" in the group for substance use research during Sociologidagarna in Lund.

She was Chair for the evaluation of Norwegian Sociology and member of the panel for the evaluation of social sciences in Norway – SAMEVAL. Both resulting in reports published by RCN in June 2018. KHB participated in October in a seminar organized by the Norwegian Sociology Association on the evaluation and was also interviewed (see Sosiologen.no). Later on KHB participated in the panel for the RCN call Bedre helse.

Karin Helmersson Bergmark is a member of ARG – Addiction Research Group at Stockholm University, the Kjetil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol and IRGGA – the International Research Group on Gender and Alcohol. She is affiliated member of SIRG – Stockholm Internet Research Group. KHB is Deputy Chair for the board of IAS, the Institute for Analytic Sociology in Norrköping, LiU, member of the board for CBK (The Centre for the Studies of Children's Culture) at Stockholm University and member of Stockholm University's hörandeförsamling. She is also Stockholm University elector for VR-HS, assessor for some VR calls, and member of the board for the Faculty Club at Stockholm University.

Sunnee Billingsley is Associate Professor of Sociology and Director of Studies of the Doctoral Program. Currently her teaching is limited to supervision of five PhD students and a few Master's students at the Department of Sociology. Her research focuses on how fertility and mortality rates are influenced by context, including social policies and economic crises and transitions. She has received funding (FORTE) for assessing how social mobility is linked to childbearing patterns as well as premature mortality in Sweden. She worked with Caroline Uggla within the TITA funded

project on how social mobility is linked to mortality in Finland in different economic contexts. In another collaboration with Juho Harkonen partially funded by TITA, she has been training Maria Hornung and developing research on how divorce rates responded to the varying experiences with economic transition across the post-socialist countries in Eastern Europe.

This work also extends the data infrastructure development she began in 2013 to harmonize all the partnership and fertility histories from publically available surveys across the post-socialist countries. In 2018, she also continued a collaboration with Ann-Zofie Duvander, Marie Evertsson and Kelly Musick (Cornell) in their project on income inequality within couples after entering parenthood in Sweden (funded by Forte and VR).

Love Bohman has a PhD in Sociology and is a researcher at the Department of Sociology. His teaching is mainly focused on quantitative methods, and he is teaching and hold course responsibility of courses at the department of Sociology. He is also teaching at the Bachelor's program in Diversity Studies at the Department of Ethnology, History of Religions and Gender studies.

Love Bohman's research focus on social networks among Swedish firms. He is at present working in his project "Longitudinal Dynamics in Swedish Big Business", funded by The Swedish Research Council. Within this project, he is collaborating with Sara Roman, researcher at The Institute for Evaluation of Labour Market and Education Policy

Maria Brandén has a PhD in Sociological Demography and is employed as a researcher at the Department of Sociology. She teaches the undergraduate course "Samhälle och befolkningsfrågor". In addition to her employment at the Department, she is a lecturer at the Institute for Analytical Sociology at Linköping University. Maria Brandén is currently involved in four research projects at the Department. (1) She is project investigator of a project funded by Vetenskapsrådet, which concerns how contextual factors matter for social mobility, "Äpplen som faller långt från träden – barndomens sociala kontext och dess betydelse för social mobilitet". (2) She does research on geographical distance between children and non-resident parents within the project "Shared Physical Custody in Sweden: Development, determinants, stability and outcomes of a new form of family organization" (PI: Jani Turunen). (3) She is responsible for a work package on immigrants' educational trajectories within the large-scale research project "Immigrant Trajectories: Geographical Mobility, Family Careers, Employment, Education, and Social Insurance in Sweden, 1990-2016" (PI: Bo Malmberg). Finally, she (4) does research on neighbourhood polarization within a large-scale project called "Lyckliga gatan? Geografisk polarisering och social sammanhållning i dagens Sverige" (PI: Bo Malmberg). Selected outlet during 2018 includes participation in the 2018 annual meeting of the Population Association of America; writing a report on neighbourhood effects for LO which she presented at one of their seminars; and meeting with the government special investigator (in Swedish: regeringens särskilda utredare) about school-segregation and inequality in school-outcomes.

Magnus Bygren is Professor of Sociology at the Department of Sociology, and affiliated to the Institute for Future Studies, Stockholm. During 2018, his teaching primarily consisted in lecturing in Quantitative Methods II at Sociology II. He also served as vice chair of the Social Sciences Faculty's Academic Appointment Board II for University Lecturers and Professors. He broadly focuses his research on inequality and segregation processes. During 2018 he continued his ongoing research collaborations on ethnic recruitment discrimination, gendered career consequences of

parenthood, and the dynamics of ethnic and socioeconomic school segregation. He successfully landed a FORTE grant on gender discrimination in recruitment (co-applicant: Michael Gähler). His outreach to the surrounding society included newspaper/blog interviews, an opinion piece published in Svenska Dagbladet, and presentations of his research at public authorities.

Johan Dahlberg is a Research Fellow at the Stockholm University Demography Unit. His research focus mainly on timing of first birth, intergenerational influences on fertility, and effects of education and social background on fertility. Currently he is involved in research on Family complexity and Seasonal variation in births. During 2018, Johan Dahlberg has been working with Professor Gunnar Andersson and Professor Elizabeth Thomson on the Swedish Generations and Gender Survey. Together with Gerda Neyer he has completed the Swedish Contextual Database. Currently he is teaching applied statistics and examining bachelor thesis.

Sven Drefahl is Docent in Demography and associate senior lecturer in Demography. Currently, he is serving as a member of the department board and the Council of the European Association of Population Studies (EAPS). He is one of two coordinators of the Multidisciplinary Master's Programme in Demography and is organizing the weekly seminar series of the Stockholm University Demography Unit. He is teaching a number of master level courses at the Department of Sociology, primarily on statistical methods, demographic methods and demographic theory. He is also supervising PhD students and gives guest lectures at the master level at Karolinska Institutet. Sven Drefahl's research focus is on the health and mortality in Sweden and other Western countries. In 2018 he continued his work with colleagues from Karolinska Institutet in the projects "Preparing for the future old age population - Can declining disease risks counterbalance the burden on the health care sector?" (funded by Forte) and "Epidemiologic and demographic methods join forces: Strengthening public health sciences" (funded by Forte). He is also acting as work package leader in the program "Ageing Well -Individuals, Families and Households under Changing Demographic Regimes in Sweden" (funded by Forte).

Ann-Zofie Duvander is Professor of Demography. Currently she is teaching Introduction to the master's programme in applied social science as well as give guestlectures at various courses at undergraduate and graduate level. She is the main supervisor of three PhD students and the second supervisor for two and she had two students completing their theses in 2017/2018 (Linda Kridahl and Helen Eriksson). She is also active in supervising at undergraduate and graduate level and she works as examiner for theses.

She is one of two coordinators of the International Network on Leave Policies & Research (leavenetwork.org) and she is currently together with Peter Moss and Alison Koslowski editing a volume on the development of leave policies (Policy Press). She is PI for two research projects: His and her earnings following parenthood and implications for social inequality: Cohort and cross-national comparisons (funded by VR and Forte) where she collaborates with Kelly Musick, Sunnee Billingsley and Marie Evertsson and Older couple's economic disagreements and organization of household income in Sweden (funded by Kamprad where she collaborates with Linda Kridahl. She is also engaged in research on parental leave use, among immigrants and in comparison to other Nordic countries, in particular in collaboration with Eleonora Mussino.

Ann-Zofie Duvander is part of the evaluation committees for research funding at Forte and Försäkringskassan. She works as an expert at the Swedish Inspectorate for the Social Insurance where she co-authors reports. During 2018 she attended conferences of EPC, ISA, LPR and

Svenska sociologförbundet. She was also invited to give presentations at Försäkringskassan, Agenda (Helsinki) and Örebro university.

Michael Gähler is Docent and Senior Lecturer of Sociology at the Department of Sociology, and researcher at the Institute for Futures Studies. His teaching activities include responsibility for the course Basic Sociology (Sociology I), supervision of PhD students and examination of Bachelor theses. He is also member of Review Panel HS-C at the Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet).

His research focuses on labor market discrimination by ethnicity and gender. In 2018, he continued his research collaboration with Magnus Bygren and Charlotta Magnusson (SOFI) in the project “Parenthood penalties and premiums on labor market outcomes: Who is affected and why?” (funded by Forte) and with Moa Bursell (Institute for Futures Studies) and Magnus Bygren in the project “Ethnic discrimination in a segmented labor market – when and where does discrimination occur? A study using data from three field experiments” (funded by the Swedish Research Council).

Martin Hällsten is Professor of Sociology at the Department of Sociology. His teaching during 2018 focused on quantitative methods on the Masters/PhD-student level. He is a member of the reference group for Statistics Sweden’s online provision of data (MONA), and was a member of the panel for Sociology at the Danish Independent Research Fund. His research focuses on processes of social stratification and intergenerational inequality.

Martin Hällsten currently leads two research projects on education and social mobility and the role of workplaces in intergenerational inequality, financed by VR and Forte, respectively. He is a member of the international COIN network on workplace-focused analyses of inequality led by Donald Tomaskovic-Devey.

Linda Kridahl is a researcher at the Department of Sociology and Stockholm University Demography Unit (SUDA). She defended her Ph.D. thesis in Sociological Demography in December 2017. The thesis focused on retirement timing and motivations to retire in Sweden, with a specific focus on leisure activities, grandchildren and family relations.

Currently, she is engaged in three projects. First, she studies adult children’s prevalence of providing filial care together with Ann-Zofie Duvander, which is financially supported by SPaDE. Second, she is engaged in the program Ageing Well (funded by FORTE) in which she has a project together with Haodong Qi (Malmö University) and Ann-Zofie Duvander. The study was presented at the European Population Conference in Brussels. Third, Linda received a 3.3 million grant from the Kamprad Family Foundation together with Ann-Zofie Duvander. The project will be running for three years (September 2018 to August 2021) and is titled ‘Life quality among older adults in contemporary Sweden: Financial conflicts, relationship quality, and equality’. Linda Kridahl was also engaged in MIRAI, a Sweden-Japan collaboration, and went to Gothenburg (June) and Tokyo (October) to discuss ageing related issues.

She is a lecturer and course leader for Basic Statistics I 7.5 ECTS (since 2016), and supervises students’ on theses on Bachelor and Master’s level. Her teaching activities also involve examining Bachelor level theses and during 2018, she was second-reader for three Master level theses.

As outreach activities, Linda Kridahl was invited to present at the Swedish Pensions Agency about individuals’ reasons to retire. Additionally, results from her Ph.D. thesis were widely published in

Swedish newspapers, radio and television January-February 2018. She also wrote an article for the popular magazine 'Äldre i centrum'. Since 2014, she is the President of the Swedish Demographic Association (SDF), which is the largest national demographic association in Sweden.

Martin Kolk is a researcher and Docent (Associate Professor) at the Stockholm University Demography Unit, Centre for Cultural Evolution) and the Institute for Future Studies. His research focuses on various aspects of intergenerational demography and cultural evolution, and his main topic is the demography of kinship in contemporary and historical populations. Currently, Martin Kolk uses linked register and parish data with micro-level data to examine demographic change from the mid 18th century until today. He is also working with researchers at the program for historical demography at Academia Sinica in Taipei, Taiwan. In 2018 he was teaching family sociology, and supervising bachelor and master theses.

Fredrik Liljeros is Professor of Sociology at Stockholm University. He did his postdoc at the Swedish Institute for Diseases Control. His research is about Complex Systems such as different types of contact patterns and their significance for different types of diffusion processes, contagious infections as well as social institutions. The research has been carried out with researchers from different disciplines such as MDs, mathematicians, physicists and criminologists, and has been published in world leading Journal's for interdisciplinary research such as Nature, PNAS and Physical Review Letters.

During 2018, he has been teaching at the courses Sociological quantitative analysis, Sociological analysis 7.5 (undergraduate level), Introduction to sociology - to think sociological, Power Resources and Social Stratification (Social Science II for teachers), Social Network Analysis, 7.5 credits and Models of Social Change and Social Stability (Master/PhD Courses) Other scientific appointments include acting as referee for application to promotion to Docent for Marc Keuschnigg at Linköping University in August and being plenary Speaker at Complex Systems Society's "Conference on Complex Systems" in September 2018.

Hernan Mondani is a researcher at the Department of Sociology. During 2018 he has taught statistics courses at the undergraduate level (Basic Statistics I) and the masters level (Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences II). He is also C-level thesis supervisor. Among his academic appointments during 2018, Hernan Mondani has peer-reviewed articles submitted to scientific journals. Additionally, he has presented in conferences on Criminology (Stockholm Criminology Symposium 2018), Demography (European Population Conference 2018) and Housing Research (European Network for Housing Research Conference 2018). He has also held invited research presentations in Argentina (Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina Santa María de los Buenos Aires (UCA), School of Engineering), the Institute for Futures Studies, the Institute for Analytical Sociology at Linköping University, and at the Department of Sociology.

Hernan Mondani is engaged in the projects "Migrant Trajectories" (Forte program) and "The Neighbourhood Revisited" (RJ program) where he collaborates closely with the demographic unit SUDA and researchers at the Department of Human Geography at Stockholm University.

Eleonora Mussino is Associate Professor of Demography. Currently she is teaching and coordinating the Multidisciplinary Master's Programme in Demography, and supervising PhD and Master Students. Her research focuses on international migrants, one of the most important and contentious issues in contemporary European societies. She contributed to understanding the

mechanisms underlying immigrant childbearing decisions and their contributions to a country's overall fertility rate. She is the leader of the project on “Influences of origin and destinations on migrant fertility” (funded by Forte).

Elonora Mussino also examines the provision of antenatal care and parental leave use of migrants and natives. Her research also investigates the integration of migrants more broadly, as a multidimensional two-way process, and questions the effectiveness of some policies for immigrants both in Italy and Sweden.

Magnus Neremo is Professor of Sociology and Head of Department. Currently his teaching is limited to supervision of PhD students and guest lectures on undergraduate and master level courses at the Department of Sociology and Karolinska institutet. He is also member of the board of the Faculty of Social Sciences. His research focuses on stratification and segregation in Western societies by gender and social class. In 2018, he continued his research collaboration with Erik Bihagen (SOFI) and Lotta Stern in their project on elites in the labor market. He has also been working with Charlotta Magnusson (SOFI) - Longitudinal studies of how childhood conditions and intergenerational transfers are related to young adults' conditions and choices in the labor market”.

Gerda Neyer is a Senior Research Fellow and Associate Professor. Her teaching involves co-teaching a course in the interdisciplinary master course in demography and supervising master- and doctoral students at Stockholm University Demography Unit. Her research concerns the linkages between social policies, gender equality and fertility. She has been involved in research of the Stockholm University Linnaeus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (SPaDE) (funded by Vetenskapsrådet), in the Migrant Trajectories Programme coordinated by the Department of Human Geography at Stockholm University (funded by Forte), in the Swedish Initiative for Research on Microdata in the Social and Medical Sciences (SIMSAM), (funded by Vetenskapsrådet) and in the project on Nordic Family Policy and Demographic Consequences (NORDiC) funded by the Norwegian Research Council.

In 2018 Gerda Neyer presented research results from these projects at the University of Bremen, the University of Heidelberg, at the Sociological Meeting in Lund, the Population Association of America Annual Meeting in Denver, and at the Vienna Institute of Demography yearly meeting and she has been invited to present Swedish family policies and research results of the linkage between family policies, gender equality and fertility to policy makers and stakeholder from the Republic of South Korea.

Sofi Ohlsson-Wijk is a Research Fellow with a PhD in Sociological Demography. Her teaching activities have been focused on acting as course coordinator of and sole teacher in the course Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe, given at advanced level in demography and sociology. Her research is focused on family formation, gender and work life and has in 2018 been conducted within the projects ”Register-based Research in Nordic Demography” financed by the Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet) and “Forerunners in family behavior and gender equality: New trends among young adults in Sweden” financed by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (FORTE). Sofi Ohlsson-Wijk’s research, including interview material, was presented in British BBC Radio (May 18, 2018).

Livia Sz. Oláh is Associate Professor and Senior Lecturer of Demography at the Department of Sociology. In addition to being the main instructor and lecturer of two courses in the Demography

Master's Program, her teaching activities include the Sociology BSc thesis course and an elective course in the Sociology undergraduate course, as well as also supervision and examination of PhD, MSc and BSc students. She is also mentoring visiting PhD and MSc students from abroad.

Livia Oláh has been appointed remote referee (grant evaluator) for the European Research Council (ERC) since 2015; member of the Editorial Board for several international peer-reviewed scientific journals, as well as reviewer for highly ranked international journals (Social Forces, Demographic Research).

Her main research interests are family demography in comparative perspective, policy impacts on demographic behavior, and gender issues. In 2018, she was engaged in the Stockholm University Linneaus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (SPaDE) headed by Prof. Elizabeth Thomson at the Dept. of Sociology (SUDA), and in the research program "Ageing well – individuals, families and households under changing demographic regimes in Sweden", financed by FORTE and led by Prof. Gunnar Andersson.

As for collaboration with the society, Oláh was an invited speaker at the Seminar on the European Pillar of Social Rights and European Semester as tools for delivering Social Europe - a reflection with civil society, Brussels, Belgium, in October and at the 4th International Conference on Shared Parenting, Strasbourg, France, in November. She also gave an invited presentation at the Stockholm University Research Support Office seminar on "Being a project coordinator of an EU project: challenges and rewards", Sept. 18, 2018. Regarding media appearances, Livia Oláh was during 2018 interviewed by the New York Times, USA, Deutsche Welle and Dagens Nyheter.

Daniel Ritter is Associate Senior Lecturer and Docent. He currently convenes and teaches courses in classical and modern sociological theory at the undergraduate level while giving lectures in political sociology and qualitative methods at the graduate level. In addition to his classroom duties, he also supervises and examines theses on both levels. He is a member of the Department's work environment group and serves as its equality ombudsperson.

A political sociologist, his research focuses predominantly on revolutions and social movements. Daniel Ritter is currently working on a book project on contemporary revolutions (1970s -) and collaborates with colleagues from the US and the UK on a co-authored book provisionally titled *Rethinking Revolutions*, which is scheduled for publication in late 2020. As a part of this project he is hosting a workshop in May 2019 with the help of funding secured from Riksbankens Jubileumsfond. He has featured as an expert in the media (Sveriges Radio and Sveriges Television) and been interviewed for a UK-based podcast about revolutions based at Warwick University.

Jens Rydgren is Professor of Sociology. He is supervising five PhD students (four of them as the main supervisor) and he is teaching sociological theory and political sociology (both at the advanced level). He is also responsible for the final seminars, halftime seminars, and start-up seminars for PhD Students. He is a member of the department's board, and of its steering group. His research focuses on political sociology, ethnic relations, and social networks. In 2018, he continued his work on radical right-wing parties, including co-operations with Sanna Salo, Gabriella Elgenius, Johanna Palm, Pontus Strimling, and Kirsti Jylhä. He also continued his work on the role of egocentric friendship networks for various outcomes pertaining to life chances, trust, and attitudes, which included co-operations with Martin Hällsten, Tina Goldschmidt, Christofer Edling, Alexander Miething, Mikael Rostila, and Gerald Mollenhorst.

Johanna Palm is a researcher at the Department of Sociology. She defended her thesis “There is power in a union – Trade union organization, union membership and union activity in Sweden” in September 2017. Johanna Palm is currently involved in two research projects, one in which she studies radical right-wing parties and one that focuses on the emergence of new forms of work and employment related to the platform economy. She has also been involved in teaching activities both at the Department of Sociology and at the Institute for Social Research at Stockholm University.

Sanna Salo is a Post-doctoral Fellow at the Department of Sociology. In the past year, she has been teaching qualitative text analysis and the politics of radical right-wing mobilization in Scandinavia at Stockholm University. Her research focuses on European politics and political economy, as well as the radical right-wing parties in the Nordic countries. Since 2017, she works together with professor Jens Rydgren in a project on the relationship between trade unions and radical right-wing parties in the Nordic countries.

Sanna Salo has participated in a panel discussion on the forthcoming European Parliament elections, organized by the Centre for European Studies at the University of Helsinki, Finland. In addition, she has written a blog on the Finnish online-based political science magazine, *Politiikasta.fi*, on the Finnish presidential elections 2018.

Åke Sandberg is Professor emeritus of Sociology. His teaching is currently limited to lecturing on the master level program in Personnel, work and organization, and some supervision on the undergraduate level.

His research focus is work, management, industrial relations and digitalization. The last two years he has worked with 27 researchers producing a 550 pages textbook, “Arbete & välfärd. Ledning, personal och organisationsmodeller i Sverige”. He lectured e.g. at Linköping University, and wrote opinion articles on work research in dailies, and was interviewed in magazines like *Du&jobbet*, and *Arbetarskydd*.

Roujman Shahbazian is a part time Lecturer at the Department of Sociology. He is responsible for the undergraduate course Sociological Analysis I, supervises and examines undergraduate thesis, and is guest lecturer at undergraduate courses at Department of Human Geography and Department of Social Work. He also works part time at Statistics Sweden (SCB).

His research focuses on social stratification, family sociology and development studies. In 2008, he continued working on and developing his manuscripts that were in his doctoral thesis, which examined sibling configuration and adulthood outcomes using Swedish administrative registers. He has also an interdisciplinary collaboration with Mohammad Sepahvand (Uppsala University) that focuses on Burkina Faso and one core dimension of individual preferences: attitudes toward risk.

During 2018 his research was covered by several Swedish newspaper outlets such as *Sydsvenskan*, and *Göteborgs-Posten* and has also received attention by SVT Nyheter and Sveriges Radio's *Vetenskapsradion*.

Tove Sohlberg is a researcher and lecturer. Currently she is teaching the course *Tillämpad Samhällsanalys (Applied Social Analysis)* at the fifth term of *Kandidatprogrammet för sociologisk samhällsanalys (Bachelor Programme for Sociological Social Analysis)*. Tove is a member of Socialvetenskapligt nätverk inom alkohol- och drogforskning (Sonad) and attended both of the annually conferences during 2018. Her research focus is on substance use, and especially tobacco. Throughout the year she has continued the work with her project Long term follow-up of former

smokers (funded by Forte). She has also attended Sociologidagarna in Lund to present her research, given a presentation at Department of Public Health Sciences at Stockholm University, and held a lecture on the behalf of the department at Open house at Stockholm University.

Mikaela Sundberg is Associate Professor of Sociology, and director of research at Stockholm Center for Organizational research (SCORE). She has been responsible for two undergraduate courses (qualitative analysis III, sociological analysis I), supervised PhD students, and lectured on advanced qualitative methods. In addition, she has recently become responsible for one advanced level course (modern sociological theory).

Her current research deals with voluntary total institutions, fraternal relations, and partial organization. On the basis of data collection within her research project “Organizing Monastic Life: Towards a Theory of Fraternal relations”, funded the Swedish Research Council, she has submitted three journal articles, currently in different stages of the review process. Mikaela is also involved in the project “The organization of violent extremism and anti-social careers” at the Institute for Future Studies.

During the year, Mikaela Sundberg has presented papers at several occasions (two conferences, five seminars), acted as faculty opponent for a defense in business studies, and participated in the Swedish research council panel for international post docs. She has written about her research on the French Foreign Legion in a blogpost for the departmental blog.

Árni Sverrisson is Professor of Sociology. His current teaching activities include supervision at different levels and thesis examination. Visual Studies is his current research area, and photography in particular. It is currently pursued within the project “Images as Shared Objects in Social Interaction: A Socio-Material Approach to the Visual Vernacular” (Vetenskapsrådet) and will result in a book.

Elizabeth Thomson is Professor Emerita of Demography and Director of the Linnaeus Center for Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (funded by the Swedish Research Council). She serves on the Scientific Advisory Boards of LIVES, a Swiss National Center of Competence in Research, and a Norface Network project, EQUALLIVES. She chairs the European Research Council’s SH3 Advanced Grant panel 2018-2019, and served on the jury for the 2018 Dirk Van de Kaa Award for Social Demography, European Association for Population Studies.

Elizabeth Thomson is a member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, with responsibilities on the environmental committee and the Amundson fund. Elizabeth Thomson’s current research focuses on the implications of cohabitation for family complexity (Swedish Research Council) with several European and U.S. collaborators. She is also a collaborator on Jani Turunen’s Forte project on children’s living arrangements after parental separation.

Jani Turunen is a researcher at the Department of Sociology and the Stockholm University Demography Unit (SUDA). During 2018 he supervised thesis students and lectured in the course Population and Society at Stockholm University and Population Health at the Red Cross University College.

His main research interests are family demography, and family sociology in general and family structure in particular. He is currently project investigator for the Forte funded project “Shared Physical Custody in Sweden: Development, determinants, stability and outcomes of a new form of family organization”. He was also working part-time as a researcher at the Centre for child and

adolescent mental health at Karlstad University. Jani Turunen participated in two international conference during 2018. From September on, he was on parental leave.

Andrea Voyer is Docent and Associate Senior Lecturer in Sociology. In addition to supervising student theses, she teaches ground-level courses in ethnicity and immigration and qualitative methods, masters level courses in systematic reviews. She is on the board of the journals *Sociological Theory* and *Public Culture*, and is a member of the Annotation for Transparent Inquiry in Qualitative Data Analysis Working Group (ATI Initiative).

Her research focus on cultural and microsociological aspects of social inequality. She has an ongoing research collaboration with Anna Lund (Sociology SU) in a project on immigration, race, ethnicity, and social inclusion in Sweden. Andrea Voyer is also working on the analysis and dissemination of results from a three-site ethnography, “The Etiquette of Inequality in Democratic Spaces” (funded by the Russell Sage Foundation,) and in preliminary research for “Social Norms, Social Boundaries, and Inequality” a computational sociological analysis that takes etiquette books as data linking more commonly measured dimensions of inequality with everyday social norms and categories.

Linda Weidenstedt has a PhD in Sociology and is employed as a lecturer at the Department of Sociology. Her current teaching activities include lectures and seminars within the programme Personnel, Work and Organization on undergraduate level as well as on master level. Furthermore, she supervises several Bachelor thesis each term.

Her research focuses on labour market questions such as employment protection, as well as management and leadership questions such as empowerment and psychological contracts. This research is not funded by external research councils. All research is conducted in collaboration with Charlotta Stern.

Ben Wilson is a Post-doctoral Researcher at the Stockholm University Demography Unit (SUDA) and a visiting fellow in the Department of Methodology at the London School of Economics. His teaching includes the supervision of Masters students, guest lectures on undergraduate and postgraduate courses at the Stockholm University and LSE, and a two-week LSE summer school course on survey research methods.

Ben Wilson’s research focuses on a range of topics, including immigration and integration, family dynamics, and health. In 2018, he began a three-year project funded by the Swedish Research Council (VR) to study the family formation of immigrants who arrived as children. He was also a successful co-applicant in two other grants: a project to study the influences of origin and destination on migrant fertility (funded by Forte), and a programme to study spatial polarization and social cohesion in Sweden (funded by RJ).

He is also involved in a number of collaborative projects, including research to develop new methods for the study of causality and mediation that involves collaborators from Karolinska Institute, Helsinki University, LSE, and Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research.

Rebecca Ye successfully defended her doctoral dissertation in May 2018 and was a researcher at the Department of Sociology for the autumn term. She taught on sociological analysis, qualitative methods and organisational theory courses across the levels, as well as supervised undergraduate theses. Rebecca Ye researches what goes on at the intersection of education and labour markets. Two of her ongoing projects deal with, on the one hand, trajectories that are heavily

institutionalised and transnational, and on the other hand, school-to-work pathways that are emerging and anticipatory. In 2018, she was appointed to be on the advisory board of the Forum for Asian Studies at Stockholm University.

Rebecca Ye also serves on the editorial boards of Springer’s Lifelong Learning book series, as well as the journal, *Confero: Essays on Education, Philosophy and Politics*. During this year, one of her co-authored articles, “The Transnational Track”, was included in a handbook on Elites in Education (edited by Agnès van Zanten) alongside foundational major works in the field.

Research projects

In the table below we report externally funded research projects where the PI is employed by the department, i.e. where there is a contract between research funders and the department. This means that scholarships and research projects where the PI is employed elsewhere are not included.

Project title	Ageing well - individuals, families and households under changing demographic regimes in Sweden
Project investigator	Gunnar Andersson
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Stockholm University SIMSAM Node for Demographic Research, SUNDEM
Project investigator	Gunnar Andersson
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Swedish families in the past and present: Family structure and kinship over 250 years
Project investigator	Gunnar Andersson
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Childhood psychosocial and environmental predictors of crime and victimization across life
Project investigator	Amber L. Beckley
Funding source	Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, RJ
Project title	Pathways to adult antisocial behavior
Project investigator	Amber L. Beckley
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Contemporary addictions and life online
Project investigator	Karin Helmersson Bergmark
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	The demographic imprint of social mobility: Fertility and mortality in Sweden
Project investigator	Sunnee Billingsley
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Longitudinal Dynamics in Swedish Big Business
Project investigator	Love Bohman
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Apples that fall far from the trees. Childhood social context and its importance for intergenerational social mobility
Project investigator	Maria Brandén
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council

Project title	What makes employers discriminate by gender and parenthood?
Project investigator	Magnus Bygren
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Exporting Nordic models of fatherhood, gender egalitarianism and parental leave
Project investigator	Ann-Zofie Duvander
Funding source	Nordic Council of Ministers
Project title	His and her earnings following parenthood and implications for social inequality: Cohort and cross-national comparisons
Project investigator	Ann-Zofie Duvander
Funding source	Forte, Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Äldres livskvalitet: ekonomiska konflikter, relationskvalitet och jämställdhet
Project investigator	Ann-Zofie Duvander
Funding source	The Kamprad Family Foundation for Entrepreneurship, Research & Charity
Project title	The impact of professional occupations on control: The importance of context and sex composition on influence and the construction of gender among men and women
Project investigator	Tina Forsberg Kankkunen
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Hur överorganisatorisk styrning påverkar arbetsmiljön: En jämförelse mellan kvinnodominerad människovårdande och mansdominerad teknisk verksamhet
Project investigator	Tina Forsberg Kankkunen
Funding source	AFA Försäkring
Project title	Education and social mobility
Project investigator	Martin Hällsten
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Arbetsplatser och företag som nexus
Project investigator	Martin Hällsten
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Stockholm Node of CRITEVENTS
Project investigator	Juho Härkönen
Funding source	Norface
Project title	Tackling Inequalities in Time of Austerity (TITA), Stockholm Node
Project investigator	Juho Härkönen
Funding source	Finland's Strategic Research Council
Project title	Demographic and economic growth during three centuries. Longitudinal micro-level data for 1800-2007 from Sweden and Taiwan
Project investigator	Martin Kolk
Funding source	Riksbankens Jubileumsfond
Project title	Influence of origin and destination on migrant fertility
Project investigator	Eleonora Mussino
Funding source	Forte

Project title	Organiserad antagonism – jihadism och organiserad brottslighet som sociala risker
Project investigator	Amir Rostami
Funding source	MSB Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency
Project title	Radikala högerpartier i Europa: En jämförande studie
Project investigator	Jens Rydgren
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Långtidsuppföljning av före detta rökare
Project investigator	Tove Sohlberg
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Organizing Monastic Life: Towards a Theory of Fraternal relations
Project investigator	Mikaela Sundberg
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Stockholm University Linnaeus Center for Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe
Project investigator	Elizabeth Thomson
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Cohabitation and family complexity in Sweden,
Project investigator	Elizabeth Thomson
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Shared Physical Custody in Sweden – Development, determinants, stability and outcomes of a new form of family organization
Project investigator	Jani Turunen
Funding source	Forte
Project title	Exposure to Swedish society and immigrant integration: The family formation of immigrants who arrived as children
Project investigator	Ben Wilson
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet

Dissertations in 2018 (in Alphabetical order)

Helen Eriksson. "Studies on Parental Leave and Co-residence using Swedish Register Data".

Sara Kjellsson. "Sick of Work? Questions of Class, Gender and Self-Rated Health".

Erik Rosenqvist. "Social Influence and Educational Decisions: Studies on Peer Influence in Secondary Education".

Roujman Shahbazian. "Sibling Configuration and Adulthood Outcomes: The Case of Two-Child Families".

Rebecca Ye. "The Aspirants: How faith is built in emerging occupations".

Collaboration

Science communication

In the last few years, we have intensified our work on communicating research to the public, journalists, potential students, policy makers, politicians, and other researchers. This is how we disseminate our research results, in brief.

- When possible, we put out press releases through Stockholm University's central communications office. During 2018, we put out 7 press releases in total, that can be found here: <https://www.sociology.su.se/om-oss/kontakt/personal/2.4555>
- We also publish science news on our websites www.sociology.su.se and www.suda.su.se
- We run a research blog in Sociology and Demography, www.socioblog.su.se
- Our news are often published in Stockholm University's central newsletter.
- We are active on social media – on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).
- We are affiliated with “Expertsvär”, a service from the Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet) where journalists seek researchers that are experts in different areas.
- We organize study visits at the department, primarily aimed at senior high school students.

Our researchers are frequently called upon by Swedish and international media, to comment on questions related to their research fields in Sociology and Demography.

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Baltzer, Marie

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