

## Selected CV

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### PERSONAL AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION AND DEGREES AWARDED

Docent in Sociology of Education, December 2017, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Helsinki.

D.Soc.Sc. (Doctor of Social Sciences), University of Helsinki, social sciences, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014, Helsinki.

Doctoral dissertation: Changes in equality of educational opportunity - social hierarchies and school achievement of the young [*Muuttuvat koulutusmahdollisuudet – nuorten sosiaaliset hierarkiat ja koulumenestys*].

MA (Education), University of Helsinki, sociology and politics of education, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2010, Helsinki.

M.Soc.Sc., University of Helsinki, December 17<sup>th</sup> 2003, Helsinki. Major subject: Social Policy, Minor subjects: Sociology, Philosophy of Values and World Views, Teacher Education (Adult education).

Matriculation examination, Helsingin yhteislyseo, 1993.

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

Current position: Postdoctoral researcher, University of Helsinki, Faculty of Educational Sciences, PI of the postdoctoral project *Empowering social capital within educational trajectories*. August 2018 –

Postdoctoral researcher, in Academy of Finland funded research project *Transit – Transition and educational trajectories of immigrant youth*. University of Helsinki, Faculty of Educational Sciences. September 2014 – August 2018. [www.blogs.helsinki.fi/transit-okl](http://www.blogs.helsinki.fi/transit-okl).

Project researcher, in Helsinki Metropolitan Region Urban Research Program funded research project *School markets and segregation – The social cost of school choice*. September 2013 – August 2014.

Project researcher in Academy of Finland funded research project *Parents and school choice: Family Strategies, Segregation and School Policies in Chilean and Finnish Basic Schooling, (PASC)*. University of Helsinki, Institute of Behavioural Sciences. January 2012 – December 2013.

Doctoral Student, The Finnish Graduate School in Education and Learning (FIGSEL), University of Helsinki. January – December 2011.

University trainee, University of Helsinki, Research Unit on New Politics, Governance and Interaction in Education. 3 months, May – August 2010.

Adjunct instructor, University of Helsinki, Open University, study periods 2008–2010.

Maternal leave January 2008 – January 2009.

Adjunct instructor, University of Helsinki, Open University, study periods 2006–2008.

Adjunct instructor, University of Helsinki, Department of Social Policy, study periods 2006–2009.

Doctoral student (part-time), funded by Finnish Cultural Foundation (12 months), October 2006 – January 2008.

Maternal leave July 2005 – September 2006.

Adjunct instructor, University of Helsinki, Department of Social Policy, study periods 2005–2006.

Doctoral student (part-time), funded by City of Helsinki, January 2005 – April 2005.

Adjunct instructor, University of Helsinki, Open University, study periods 2004–2005.

Adjunct instructor, University of Helsinki, Department of Social Policy, 2001 – 2004.

Researcher, The Finnish Association of Non-fiction Writers [Suomen tietokirjailijat ry.]. November 2003 – August 2004.

Study advisor, Alppila Lower Secondary School, August 1998 – June 1999.

Part-time substitute teacher, Alppila Lower Secondary School, 1994–2005.

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## MERITS IN TEACHING AND PEDAGOGICAL COMPETENCE

Teacher Education (adult education) [Aikuiskoulutukseen suuntautuvat opettajan pedagogiset opinnot]. University of Helsinki, 2003.

Implementation of university courses: (study period, name of the course, credits (cr), study level (B)= basic, (I)= intermediate, and (A)= advanced level studies)

Pro-seminars and literature seminars, lecturer:

2016–2017 Proseminar, (5 cr, I). University of Helsinki, Faculty of Educational Sciences

2015–2016 Proseminar, (8 cr, I). University of Helsinki, Department of Teacher Education.

2015–2016 Final thesis, [*Lopputyö*] lecturer (3 cr, I). University of Helsinki, Department of Teacher Education.

Social and public policy, lecturer. University of Helsinki, Open University:

2009–2010 Introduction to social policy [*Sosiaalipolitiikan johdantokurssi*], (6cr, B, virtual learning environment)

Introduction to social and public policy [*Johdatus yhteiskuntapolitiikkaan*], (3 cr, B)

Basic questions of social policy [*Sosiaalipolitiikan peruskysymykset*] (8 cr, I, virtual learning environment)

2007–2009 Basic questions of social policy [*Sosiaalipolitiikan peruskysymykset*], (8 cr, I)

2006–2007 Introduction to social policy [*Sosiaalipolitiikan johdantokurssi*], (6 cr, B)

Introduction to social and public policy [*Johdatus yhteiskuntapolitiikkaan*], (3 cr, B)

2004–2005 Life politics [*Elämänpolitiikka*], (4 cr, I)

Research methods, lecturer:

2016-2017 Quantitative Research Methods [Määrällisten tutkimusmenetelmien kurssi I], (5 cr, I). University of Helsinki, Faculty of Educational Sciences

2010–2011 Sociological Research Methods [*Yhteiskuntatieteelliset tutkimusmenetelmät*] (8 cr, I).

University of Helsinki, Division of Environmental change and policy.

2008–2009 Quantitative research methods [*Tilastolliset tutkimusmenetelmät*], (5 cr, A), lecturer.

University of Helsinki, Department of Social and Public Policy, social work.

2006–2008 Social research methods [*Sosiaalitutkimuksen menetelmät*], (15 cr, I), lecturer.  
University of Helsinki, Department of Social and Public Policy.

2005–2007 Quantitative research methods [*Tilastolliset tutkimusmenetelmät*], (5 cr, A), lecturer.  
University of Helsinki, Department of Social and Public Policy, social work.  
Empirical research methods, course assistant and lecturer

2001–2004 Social research methods [*Empiirisen sosiaalitutkimuksen menetelmät*], (9 cr, I),  
Department of Social and Public Policy.

Chairing Workshop: “How to write about the research methodology in scientific articles?” Scientific Communication and Publishing in National and International Journals – Opening Seminar of the FinEd Network May 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Keynote: NCoE JustEd Summer School: Methodological Approaches to Justice Through Education, 20.8.2014.

Supervision of doctoral students: 4 (secondary supervisor)

Supervision or master’s thesis: 5 (secondary supervisor)

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## SCIENTIFIC AND SOCIETAL IMPACT OF RESEARCH

Total number of publications published (July 2018)

A1 Original scientific article: 8 in English, 14 in Finnish

A3 Contribution to book/other compilations: 6 in English, 10 in Finnish

B1 Writing in scientific journals: 1

B2 Contribution to book/other compilations: 3

C1 Scientific book (monography) 1

C2 Scientific book (editor) 3

D2 Article in a professional manual or guide or professional information system: 1

D4 Published development or research report or study: 1

E1 Publications intended for the general public: 2 and E2 Popularised monograph: 1

G1 Master’s thesis: 2 and G5 Doctoral Thesis (Article): 1

Editor of scientific and scholarly journals and publications series:

Lohkoutuva peruskoulu – Perheiden kouluvalinnat, yhteiskuntaluokat ja koulutuspolitiikka  
[Fragmenting comprehensive school – parental school choice, social class and education policy],  
2013–2015

Contrasting Dynamics in Education Politics of Extremes - School choice in Chile and Finland, 2013–  
2015

Yearbook of sociology of education [*Tasa-arvon muuttuvat merkitykset. Kasvatussosiologian vuosikirja*], vol. 1, 2014–2016

Yearbook of sociology of education [*Koulutuksen usko ja lupaus. Kasvatussosiologian vuosikirja*], vol. 2. 2015–

Referee for scientific and scholarly journals:

Acta Sociologica; Diakonian tutkimus; European Education; European Societies; Journal of Youth & Society; Kasvatus; Kasvatus ja Aika; Psykologia; Urban Studies; Young. Nordic Journal of Youth Studies.

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## RESEARCH FUNDING, AWARDS AND ASSIGNMENTS

Major research funding:

Research project “Transitions and educational trajectories of immigrant youth: A 4-year longitudinal study from compulsory to further education”. Academy of Finland (2014–2018), 600 000 €. Research team member (Principal investigator: Prof. Markku Jahnukainen).

Research project “School markets and segregation – The social cost of school choice”. Helsinki Metropolitan Region Urban Research Program (2013–2014), 90 800 €. Research team member (Principal investigator PhD Janne Varjo).

Finnish Cultural Foundation, grant (2012), 22 000 €

Finnish Cultural Foundation, grant (2005), 16 000 €

City of Helsinki, grant (2004), 4 000 €

The Finnish Journal of Education, The scientific article of the year 2012.

Assignment by Ministry of Education and Culture: Osaamisen ja oppimisen merkitys yhteiskunnallisen kehityksen osana [Learning and societal development], member of working group. 28.2.2014–1.6.2015

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## SCIENCE COMMUNICATION, CONFERENCES and MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

Invited Speaker, Ohjauksen kehittämispäivät [Seminar on developing study counselling and guidance], Finnish National Agency for Education, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Helsinki, Finland.

Keynote, *Nuorten hyvinvointi Helsingissä* [Seminar on Youth well-being in Helsinki]. Helsinki City Hall. June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Keynote, *Opinto-ohjauksen PKS-seminaari* [Seminar on study counselling and guidance] Kuntatalo. May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Panel member, *Koulumenestyksen tekijät* [The components of school achievement]. November 29<sup>th</sup> 2015.

Panel member, *Hyvä yhteiskunta 2100 –seminaari* [Good Society 2010 -seminar]. November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Tiedekulma: University of Helsinki.

Chairing thematic groups in scientific conferences (10 in all): Sosiologipäivät [*The annual sociological conference of the Westermarck Society*]; Kasvatustieteen päivät [*Finnish Conference on Education*]; Sosiaalipolitiikan päivät [*Annual conference of Social Policy Association in Finland*]; Nuorisotutkimuspäivät [Finnish youth research network]

International conference presentations (26 in all)

**XIX ISA** World Congress of Sociology. Toronto, Canada. July 2018.

**AERA**. American Educational Research Association. New York, USA. April 2018.

**ESA**. 13th European Sociological Association Conference. Athens. August 2017

**AERA**. American Educational Research Association. San Antonio, USA. April 2017.

**NERA**. Nordic Educational Research Association –conference. University of Helsinki. March 2016.

**XVIII ISA** World Congress of Sociology. Yokohama, Japan. July 2014.

**School Choice and School Differentiation in Comparative Perspective -conference**. St. Petersburg, Russia. April 2014.

**Pre-conference**: Justice through education: marketisation and equity in embedded contexts. Justice through education in the Nordic Countries (JustEd). Lillehammer, Norway. March 2014.

**ECER**. European Conference on Educational Research. Dublin, Ireland. August 2016.

**ESA**. 11<sup>th</sup> European Sociological Association Conference. University of Turin. April 2013.

Domestic presentations (32 in all)