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Academic Employment

Department of Political Science, University of Iceland

Adjunct Lecturer

Department of Political Science, University of Iceland

Post-Doctoral Fellow

EDDA Center of Excellence, University of Iceland

Researcher

Reykjavik, IS

2017–

Every Education of Excellence, University of Iceland

Researcher

2014–2016

Education

The Ohio State University

Columbus, OH

Ph.D. Political Science

2010-2015

Dissertation Title: Essays in the Comparative Political Economy of Taxation and Redistribution

- Winner of the 2015 Henry R. Spencer Award for Best Dissertation, Dep. of Political Science, The Ohio State Univ. Dissertation Committee: Philipp Rehm (chair), Sarah Brooks, and Janet Box-Steffensmeier

The Ohio State University

Columbus, OH

M.A. Political Science

2010-2013

Major: Comparative Politics (Candidacy Exam Completed with Distinction)

Minor: Political Methodology (Candidacy Exam Completed)

The London School of Economics and Political Science

London, UK

M.Sc. Comparative Politics (Politics & Markets), with distinction

2008-2009

Thesis: Retrenchment or Resilience? The Development of the Icelandic Welfare State, 1995-2007

University of Iceland

Reykjavik, IS

Diploma, International Affairs, with distinction

2007-2008

University of Iceland

Reykjavik, IS

B.Sc. Economics

2002-2006

Publications

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles.....

- ▶ 2017. "Unleashing the 'Money Machine': The Domestic Political Foundations of VAT Adoption." *Socio-Economic Review*, 15(4), pp. 797-813.
- ▶ 2017. "Employment Insecurity, Incumbent Partisanship, and Voting Behavior in Comparative Perspective." *Comparative Political Studies*, 50(11), pp. 1489-1523 (with Vittorio Mérola).
- ▶ 2016. "Are We in the Same Boat or Not? The Opposite Effects of Absolute and Relative Income Shifts on Redistributive Preferences." Journal of Politics, 78(4), pp. 1107-1123 (with Vittorio Mérola).
- ▶ 2016. "Income-based Voting and Polarization over Redistribution under Alternative Electoral Systems." *Electoral Studies*, 42(2), pp. 22-32.

Book Chapters and Editor Reviewed Journal Articles.

- ▶ Forthcoming. "The Political Economy of Crisis Response". In S. Ólafsson, M. Daly, O. Kangas, and J. Palme (Eds.), *Welfare and the Great Recession: A Comparative Study* (pp. 43-58). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
- ▶ Forthcoming. "Government Responses to the Great Recession: A Comparative Perspective". In S. Ólafsson, M. Daly, O. Kangas, and J. Palme (Eds.), Welfare and the Great Recession: A Comparative Study (pp. 59-79). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
- ▶ Forthcoming. "How Institutional Environments and Policies Impacted Hardship". In S. Ólafsson, M. Daly, O. Kangas, and J. Palme (Eds.), *Welfare and the Great Recession: A Comparative Study* (pp. 249-275). New York, NY: Oxford University Press (with Stefán Ólafsson and Kolbeinn Stefánsson).
- ▶ 2016. "Fractional Integration Methods and Short Time Series: Evidence from a Simulation Study." *Political Analysis*, 24(1), pp. 58-69.
- ▶ 2016. "Introduction to Symposium on Time Series Error Correction Methods in Political Science." *Political Analysis*, 24(1), pp. 1-2 (with Janet Box-Steffensmeier).

Academic Reports.....

▶ 2016. *Welfare and Nordic Crisis Management Strategies: A Comparative Project.* Ministry of Welfare, Iceland (with Stefán Ólafsson and Kolbeinn Stefánsson).

Work in Progress and Under Review

- "The Great Recession and New Class Voting in Iceland". Article manuscript under review.
- "Core Political Values during the Life-Course". Article manuscript in preparation (with Philipp Rehm).
- "The Great Recession, Income Loss, and Health Inequalities in Iceland". Article manuscript in preparation (with Sigrún Ólafsdóttir).
- ▶ "Politics Transformed? Change, Fluctuations, and Stability in Iceland in the Aftermath of the Great Recession". Book manuscript in preparation (with Eva H. Önnudóttir, Hulda Þórisdóttir and Ólafur Þ. Harðarson).

Honors and Awards

- ▶ Henry R. Spencer Award For Best Dissertation
 Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2015
- ▶ Francis R. Aumann Award For Best Conference Paper Presented by a Graduate Student Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2014
- ▶ Francis R. Aumann Award For Best Conference Paper Presented by a Graduate Student Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2013
- ▶ Program in Statistics and Methodology Junior Fellowship
 Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2012–13
- Frances R. Aumann Grant for ICPSR Summer Program Funding (\$2 300)
 Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2011
- ▶ Behavioral Sciences Fellowship
 College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, The Ohio State University, 2010–2015
- ▶ University Fellowship Graduate School, The Ohio State University, 2010–2011

▶ Bill Letwin Prize for Best Performance in Comparative Politics (Politics & Markets)
Department of Government, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2009

Grants

- ▶ Postdoctoral Fellowship Grant (ISK 24415 000 / approx. \$220 000)
 The Icelandic Research Fund, 2017-19
- Co-Investigator. 2016 Icelandic National Election Study (ISK 9 600 000 / approx. \$80 000) Infrastructure Fund of the Icelandic Research Fund, 2016
- ▶ Co-Principal Investigator. Small Grants Program (\$2 500)
 Behavioral Decision Making Initiative, The Ohio State University, 2013

Presentations and Conference Participation

- "The Economic Collapse and Issue Attitudes of Icelandic Voters, 2007-17" The Economic Crisis, Remember Conference. Reykjavik, IS, 2018.
- "The Economic Collapse and Policy Preferences of Icelandic Voters, 2007-17" 2nd Biannual Meeting of the Iceland Political Science Association. Reykjavik, IS, 2018.
- "The Great Recession: Government Policy Responses and Economic Well-Being in Europe" Þjóðarspegillinn: Conference in Social Sciences. Reykjavik, IS, 2017
- "The Great Recession: Government Policy Responses and Economic Well-Being in Europe" Þjóðarspegillinn: Conference in Social Sciences. Reykjavik, IS, 2017
- ▶ "The Class Cleavage in Iceland: Long-term Dealignment or Realignment after the Great Recession" 18th Congress of the Nordic Political Science Association. Odense, DK, 2017
- "Weathering the Crisis: Income Loss and the Welfare State During The Great Recession"

 Annual Meeting of the European Network for Social Policy Analysis. Rotterdam, NL, 2016
- "How Well Did European Welfare States Buffer the Effects of the Great Recession on Household Income?" 1st Biannual Meeting of the Iceland Political Science Association. Reykjavik, IS, 2016.
- ▶ "Does Employment Insecurity Affect Voting Behavior?" Department of Political Science, University of Iceland, 2016.
- ▶ "The Great Recession and Economic Well-Being: Iceland in European Context" Ministry of Welfare. Reykjavik, IS, 2015.
- ▶ "Welfare Policy Responses to Economic Crises: Iceland and Ireland in Comparison" Ministry of Welfare. Reykjavik, IS, 2015.
- ▶ "Do Electoral Systems Condition the Effects of Income on Voting?" Þjóðarspegillinn: Conference in Social Sciences. Reykjavík, IS, 2014.
- "Introduction to Missing Data Methods."

 Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2013.
- "Income-based Voting and Polarization over Redistribution under Alternative Electoral Systems." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL, 2012.

Teaching Experience

University of Iceland.

Practical Statistics (Master's Level)

2018

Instructor

(2018 Syllabus)

Introduction to quantitative methodology, statistical inference, and statistical computing.

Introduction to Statistical and Research Methods

2018

Instructor

(2018 Syllabus, in Icelandic)

Introduction to political methodology, descriptive statistics, and statistical computing.

Economic Approaches to Politics

2018

Instructor

(2018 Syllabus, in Icelandic)

Introduction to the economic analysis of public policy and selected issues in positive political economy.

Research in Political Science

2016

Guest Lecturer

Methods and approaches in comparative politics.

The Ohio State University.

Data Analysis in Political Science I (Online)

2013–2015 (SP15 Syllabus)

Instructor (AU13,SP14,SU14,AU14,SP15,SU15)

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Introduction to research design, statistical inference, and statistical computing.

The Political Economy of Income Inequality, Volatility, and Mobility (Graduate)

2012

Guest Lecturer

Introduction to the Luxembourg Income Studies (LIS) database and Stata.

Technical and Linguistic Skills

- ▶ Software: R, STATA, LATEX, Markdown, Shiny, Z-Tree, JAGS, WinBUGS, HTML.
- Languages: Icelandic (native), English (fluent), Danish (intermediate), and Spanish (beginner).

Service

- ▶ Member of the Steering Committee of the *Icelandic National Election Study (ICENES)*, 2016-
- Associate Editor, Icelandic Review of Politics & Administration, 2018-
- ▶ Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Socio-Economic Review, Journal of Common Market Studies, Icelandic Review of Politics & Administration
- ▶ Editor for Political Science Section, Þjóðarspegillinn: Conference in Political Science, 2018
- Country Expert for Iceland, Varieties of Democracy Project (V-Dem), 2017-2018
- Editorial Assistant, Political Analysis, 2013

Professional Experience

Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Security

Reykjavik, IS

Policy Advisor, Housing and Household Debt Restructuring

2010

Landsbankinn Bank

Reykjavik, IS

Junior Analyst, Corporate Banking

2006-08

Non-Academic Publications

- ▶ 2005. Chelsea 1905-2005: frá Feita-Willie til Eiðs Smára [Chelsea 1905-2005: from Fat-Willie to Eidur Smari]. Reykjavik, Iceland: Bókaútgáfan Hólar (with Guðjón Ingi Eiríksson).
- ▶ 2004. Bestu knattspyrnulið Evrópu [The Best Football Clubs of Europe]. Reykjavik, Iceland: Bókaútgáfan Hólar (with Guðjón Ingi Eiríksson).
- ▶ 2001. *Rauði herinn: saga Liverpool 1892-2001 [The Red Army: The History of Liverpool 1892-2001].* Reykjavík, Iceland: Bókaútgáfan Hólar (with Guðjón Ingi Eiríksson).
- ▶ 2000. Rauðu djöflarnir: knattspyrnustjörnurnar í sögu Manchester United [The Red Devils: The Football Legends in the History of Manchester United]. Reykjavik, Iceland: Bókaútgáfan Hólar (with Guðjón Ingi Eiríksson).
- ▶ 1999. *Rauðu djöflarnir: saga Manchester United 1878-1999 [The Red Devils: The History of Manchester United 1878-1999]*. Reykjavík, Iceland: Bókaútgáfan Hólar (with Guðjón Ingi Eiríksson).

References

Philipp Rehm

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