

CV: EA HOPPE BLAABÆK

ACADEMIC PROFILE

My principal research interests revolve around applied micro-econometric methods, educational and cultural stratification, reading and intergenerational transmissions. In my Ph.D. project, I used econometric methods to analyze the relationship between family background, cultural inputs and children's reading. I currently work on two research projects. In the first, I use individual level library data for the entire population of Denmark to study local variation in library inequality, elite literary tastes, the impact of initiatives to increase families use of children's libraries, the impact of (good and bad) newspaper reviews etc. In the second, I use Danish registry data to study the impact of injuries (e.g. minor head injuries) on children's educational outcomes and criminal behavior including how effects might spillover to parents or siblings.

EDUCATION

- 2018 – 2021 **Ph.D. Fellow, University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology.**
Thesis title: Passing on the culture: Parents, cultural inputs and stratification in children's reading. Advisor: Prof. Mads Meier Jæger
- 2013 – 2016 **M.Sc. (Sociology), University of Copenhagen (UCPH)**
- 2010 – 2013 **B.Sc. (Sociology), University of Copenhagen**

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Current positions:

- 2023 – 2025 **Rockwool Foundation Research Unit**
Researcher
- 2021 – 2024 **University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology**
Postdoc
- 2020 – 2024 **Statistics Denmark**
Guest Researcher

Previous positions:

- 2021 **University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology**
Research Assistant
- 2018 – 2021 **Ph.D. Fellow**
- 2016 **Research Assistant**
- 2013 – 2016 **Student Research Assistant**
- 2019 (Oct–Dec) **Nuffield College, University of Oxford**
Junior Visiting Scholar

PUBLICATIONS (PEER REVIEWED)

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. 2022. "Stratification in Parents' Selection of Developmentally Appropriate Books for Children: Register-based Evidence from Danish Public Libraries." *European Societies*

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. 2022. "Cultural Inputs and Accumulating Inequality in Children's Reading: A Dynamic Approach". *European Sociological Review* 38(3).

Jæger, Mads Meier and **Ea Hoppe Blaabæk.** 2021. "Local historical context and multigenerational socioeconomic attainment." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 73.

Jæger, Mads Meier and **Ea Hoppe Blaabæk.** 2020. "Inequality in learning opportunities during Covid-19: Evidence from library takeout." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 68.

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. 2020. "Reading when the Sun Does Not Shine: The Effect of Reading on Children's Academic Performance." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 67.

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Mads Meier Jæger and Joseph Molitoris. 2019. "Family Size and Educational Attainment: Cousins, Contexts and Compensation". *European Journal of Population* 36.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe and Mads Meier Jæger. "No Substitute for the Real Thing? Physical and Digital Cultural Participation during the COVID-19 Pandemic". [Under review at *Leisure Studies*]

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Sam Friedman, Mads Meier Jæger and Aaron Reeves. "Do cultural tastes always depend on social position? Evidence from library use for the entire population of Denmark."

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe and Mads Meier Jæger. "A Tale of Scale: Local levels of Cultural and Economic Inequality"

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. "Nudging parental investments in children's home learning environments: The impact of a library book giveaway program."

Jæger, Mads Meier, Stine Møllegaard and **Ea Hoppe Blaabæk.** "Heritability of Literary Tastes: Evidence from Twins' Library Takeout".

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe and Jæger, Mads Meier: "Inter Vivos Transfers, Multigenerational Educational Attainment, and Inequality"

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Copenhagen, MA/BA in Sociology

2020 (fall)	Kill your darlings - A critical review of classical theories and concepts in sociology
2020 (spring)	Kill your darlings - A critical review of classical theories and concepts in sociology
2020 (spring)	(TA) New statistical analyses strategies (Nyere Statistiske Analysestrategier)
2019 (fall)	Supervision of 4 BA thesis

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2022, Nov “Inequality, children and reading”. Discussion panel at Bogforum
2022, June “A new type of collaboration about research on culture and inequality”. Professional event at Statistics Denmark.
2021, Nov “Inequality in learning opportunities during Covid-19: Evidence from library takeout.” Fall conference of E-Reolen.
2020, Oct “Inequality in learning opportunities during Covid-19: Evidence from library takeout.” Quarterly library managers meeting.
2020, June “Quantity and Quality of Learning Opportunities. Socioeconomic advantage from libraries”. University College London, Centre for Education Policy and Equalizing Opportunities (CEPEO)
2019, Jan “Advantaged Readers: How Unequal Cultural Inputs and Returns Increase Inequality in Children’s Reading”. Danish Network of Research on Families.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023, June [presentation accepted] “Nudging parental investments in children’s home learning environments: The impact of a library book giveaway program.” ISA World congress of Sociology, Melbourne.
2022, Aug “A Tale of Scale: Spatial Correlations between Cultural and Economic Inequality.” Nordic Sociological Association (NSA), Reykjavik
2022, Apr “Do cultural tastes always depend on social position? Evidence from library use for the entire population of Denmark.” Spring meeting of the Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28), London.
2021, Aug “Libraries, Learning and Leisure: Stratification in Quantity and Quality of takeout of children’s books”. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (ASA), online.
2021, June “Libraries, Learning and Leisure: Stratification in Quantity and Quality of takeout of children’s books”. Spring meeting of the Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28), Turku.
2019, March “Advantaged Readers: How Unequal Cultural Inputs and Returns Increase Inequality in Children’s Reading”. Spring meeting of the Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28), Frankfurt.
2018, Oct “Inter Vivos Transfers, Multigenerational Educational Attainment, and Inequality”. European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Paris.

Professional activities

- 2020-2021 Organizer for the Quantitative Methods Club
2018-2020 Member of advisory board for developing new individual level library registry data at Statistics Denmark

Refereeing

I have reviewed papers for *American Sociological Review*, *British Journal of Sociology*, *European Sociological Review*, *Acta Sociologica*, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, *European Societies*, and *Social Science Research*.

Software

Stata, R, SAS, MPlus (limited experience).

Languages

Danish (Native Proficiency), English (Full Professional Proficiency)