

CV: EA HOPPE BLAABÆK

ACADEMIC PROFILE

My principal research interests revolve around stratification, parenting, and education. In my Ph.D. project, I showed how inequality in parenting practices lead to inequality in children's reading and in children's educational performance and attainment. In my postdoc project at UCPH, I use individual-level library data for the entire population of Denmark to study e.g. how parents and libraries shape inequality of opportunity via children's home reading environments. In future work, I aim to study how institutions and interventions can moderate family inequalities – for example, how reading interventions might help at-risk children progress in schools, or how early interventions might help moderate intergenerational transmission of educational disadvantages.

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:

- ROCKWOOL Foundation Research Unit**
- 2023 – 2025 Researcher
Main tasks: Carrying out research and developing new research ideas.
- University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology**
- 2021 – 2024 Postdoc
Main tasks: Responsible for managing research project, and carrying out research.
- Statistics Denmark**
- 2020 – 2024 Guest Researcher
Main tasks: Assisting in developing research infrastructure

Previous positions:

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

FUNDING

2020 Co-writing research proposal and successful application to Spar Nord Fonden. (DKK 1.215.190; PI: Mads Meier Jæger)

PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Lars H. Andersen, Peter Fallesen. 2024. "From Unequal Injuries to Unequal Learning?: Socioeconomic gradients in childhood concussions and the impact on children's academic performance" *Social Science and Medicine* 341.

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, and Mads Meier Jæger. 2023. "No Substitute for the Real Thing? Physical and Digital Cultural Participation in Denmark during the COVID-19 Pandemic". *Acta Sociologica*.

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. 2023. "Stratification in Parents' Selection of Developmentally Appropriate Books for Children: Register-based Evidence from Danish Public Libraries". *European Societies* 25(1).

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. 2020. "Family Size and Educational Attainment: Cousins, Contexts and Compensation". *European Journal of Population* 36.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

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." *Preprint*: <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/ar2xc/>

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. "Limits to nudging home literacy environments - Quasi-Experimental Evidence from a Book Giveaway Program" *Under review at Sociology of Education*. *Preprint*: <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/fv3un/>

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

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Daniel Juhász Vigild, Felix Elwert, Peter Fallesen, and Lars H. Andersen. "The Effect of Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries in Childhood on Adolescent Criminal Justice Involvement: A Preregistered Population-Wide Study of Six Danish Birth Cohorts"

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

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe and Mads Meier Jæger: "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

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023, Sep “Nudging parental investments in children’s home learning environments: The impact of a library book giveaway program.” European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Prague
2023, June “Nudging parental investments in children’s home learning environments: The impact of a library book giveaway program.” ISA World Congress of Sociology, Melbourne.
2023, Apr “The Effect of Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries in Childhood on Adolescent Criminal Justice Involvement: A Preregistered Population-Wide Study of Six Danish Birth Cohorts” [Poster]. Population Association of America (PAA), New Orleans
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, Mar “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

- 2023- Member of a working group organized by the Ministry of Culture to develop a new cultural participation survey
2023- Organizer for the Quantitative Methods Club
2023 Attend media training course by Trine Sick
2020-2021 Organizer for the Quantitative Methods Club
2020 Academic support for students with functional impairments
2018-2020 Member of the 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*, *Computational Social Science*, and *Social Science Research*.