

CV: EA HOPPE BLAABÆK

ACADEMIC PROFILE

I study social stratification, particularly concerning intergenerational transmission of education, reading practices, and health inequality. In my Ph.D. project, I showed how stratified parenting practices lead to inequality in children's reading and educational performance and attainment. In my first postdoc project, I used individual-level library data for the entire population of Denmark to study how parents and libraries shape inequality of opportunity via children's home reading environments. In my current position as Researcher at the Rockwool Foundation Research Unit, I study how inequality in who experience health shocks impacts stratification in children's development, etc. In future work, I aim to study how institutions and interventions can moderate family inequalities.

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
- 2020 – 2026 **Statistics Denmark:** Guest Researcher

Previous positions:

- 2021 – 2024 **University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology:** Postdoc
- 2019 **Nuffield College, University of Oxford:** Junior Visiting Scholar
- 2018 – 2021 **University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology:** Ph.D. Fellow
- 2016 – 2018 **University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology:** Research Assistant
- 2013 – 2016 **University of Copenhagen, Department of Sociology:** Student Research Assistant

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
- 2019 (spring) Pedagogical training: University Teaching and Supervision Course for Academic Staff

FUNDING

- 2025 Achieved funding from the Rockwool Foundation for a large survey project about attitudes toward redistribution. (9.800.000 DKK ~ £1.100.000, PI: Ea Hoppe Blaabæk.)
- 2025 Submitted DFF1 funding application (*pending*) to the Independent Research Fund Denmark for project about elite cultural tastes (2.200.000 DKK ~ £250.000, PI: Christoph Ellersgaard, Co-PI's: Mad Meier Jæger and Ea Hoppe Blaabæk).
- 2020 Achieved funding from Spar Nord Fonden for a postdoc project about stratified library use. I co-wrote the research proposal and am responsible for project management. (DKK 1.215.190 ~ £135.000; PI: Mads Meier Jæger)

PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED) [google scholar citation counts in brackets]

12. Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. 2025. "Nudging Loan of Children's Books – Quasi-Experimental Evidence from a Library Book Giveaway Program". *Public Library Quarterly*, 1–20. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01616846.2025.2475540>
11. **Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe**, Felix Elwert, and Peter Fallesen. 2025. "Childhood Traumatic Brain Injury and Crime in Adolescence—Reply". *JAMA Pediatrics* [doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2024.6399](https://doi.org/10.1001/jamapediatrics.2024.6399)
10. **Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe**, Daniel Juhász Vigild, Felix Elwert, Peter Fallesen, and Lars H. Andersen. 2024. "Mild traumatic brain injury and criminal charges and convictions in mid and late adolescence". *JAMA Pediatrics* 178(11):1164–1171. [doi: 10.1001/jamapediatrics.2024.3452](https://doi.org/10.1001/jamapediatrics.2024.3452) [3]
9. Jæger, Mads Meier, Stine Møllegaard and **Ea Hoppe Blaabæk**. 2024. "Literary tastes are as heritable as other human phenotypes: Evidence from twins' library borrowing". *PLOS ONE* 19(7): e0306546.
8. **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. [1]
7. **Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe**, and Mads Meier Jæger. 2024. "No Substitute for the Real Thing? Physical and Digital Cultural Participation in Denmark during the COVID-19 Pandemic". *Acta Sociologica* 67(1). [2]
6. **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). [2]
5. **Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe**. 2022. "Cultural Inputs and Accumulating Inequality in Children's Reading: A Dynamic Approach". *European Sociological Review* 38(3). [8]
4. Jæger, Mads Meier and **Ea Hoppe Blaabæk**. 2021. "Local historical context and multigenerational socioeconomic attainment". *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 73. [6]
3. 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. [361]

2. **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. [17]
1. **Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe**, Mads Meier Jæger and Joseph Molitoris. 2020. "Family Size and Educational Attainment: Cousins, Contexts and Compensation". *European Journal of Population* 36. [21]

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Sam Friedman, Mads Meier Jæger and Aaron Reeves. "Are Cultural Tastes Always Socially Stratified? Evidence from Library Borrowing for the Entire Population of Denmark". *Invited for R&R at European Sociological Review*. Preprint: <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/ar2xcl>

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. "Preaching to the Choir: Cues of literary quality and cultural consumer behavior". *Under review at Social Forces*. Preprint: https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/z3vbt_v1

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Emil Smith, David Reimer, and Mads Meier Jæger. "Reading Inequality. Gender differences in reading between school and home".

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe. "Caregiver burdens and converging gender gaps in child sick leave".

Blaabæk, Ea Hoppe, Peter Fallesen & Lars Højsgaard Andersen. "The intergenerational impact of accidents: Parent accident and child school performance and wellbeing".

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

<u>Years</u>	<u>Name of conference</u>
2025, 2024, 2023 2018	European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR)
2025	Nordic Demographic Symposium (NDS)
2024, 2023	Population Association of America (PAA)
2022, 2021, 2019	Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28)
2022	Nordic Sociological Association (NSA)
2021	American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (ASA)

Professional activities

2025 - 2027	Early-Career Review Board <i>Social Science Research</i>
2023 - 2024	Member of a working group organized by the Ministry of Culture to develop a new cultural participation survey
2023 - 2024	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*, *Sociology of Education*, *European Sociological Review*, *Acta Sociologica*, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, *European Societies*, *Computational Social Science Review*, *European Journal of Population*, *Cogent arts and humanities*, *Poetics*, and *Social Science Research*.