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## DEGREES

Doctor of Philosophy, University of Helsinki 15.5.2020

Master of Social Sciences, University of Helsinki 24.10.2007

## ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

10/2023 – present

Postdoctoral researcher

**University of Helsinki / Faculty of Law / Legal Tech Lab**

- Working in the *Digital Administration Re-designed for Everyone (DARE)* project funded by the Academy of Finland.
- Studying empirically the digitalization of the Finnish court system and user engagement in designing a new information system.

7/2021 – 9/2023

Postdoctoral researcher

**Institute of Criminology and Legal Policy / Legal Policy Unit**

- Working in the *Silent agents affected by legislation: from an insufficient knowledge base to inclusive solutions (SILE)* project funded by the Finnish Strategic Research Council.
- Studying the reform of the Administrative Procedure Act on automated decision making in public authorities.

4/2019 – 6/2021

Grant researcher

**Tampere University / Faculty of Business and Management**

- Studying academic entrepreneurship and commercialization of scientific findings in life sciences and health technology.

2008 – 2018

**University of Helsinki (several units)**

- 2018 Research secondment in Bergen, Norway in the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA), Research and Innovation Staff Exchange CO-LAB programme
- 2012–2017 PhD student, The Center for Research on Activity, Development and Learning (CRADLE)
- 2010–2011 Researcher, The Network for Higher Education and Innovation Research (HEINE)
- 2007–2010 Researcher, The Research Group for Comparative Sociology

## PUBLISHING ACTIVITY

- 6 international peer-reviewed articles in journals such as *Big Data & Society*, *International Journal of Entrepreneurship and Innovation*, *Research Evaluation*, *Science and Public Policy*, and *Minerva*.
- 9 professional articles, book chapters and reports in the national and Nordic context.

## TEACHING (UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI)

**2025-:** The course *Dynamics of Law, Technology and Society* at the Faculty of Law introduces students at bachelor level to interdisciplinary research on themes of algorithms, AI, science and technology studies and socio-legal studies by presenting current research done on these themes.

**2021-present:** The course *Politics of Rights* at the Faculty of Social Sciences is a special course on the topic of sources of inequalities, aimed at students of Master's Programme in Contemporary Societies and it's open to students in the Master's Programme in Social Research and to students at the Faculty of Law.

## OTHER ACADEMIC MERITS

**Pre-examiner** of a doctoral dissertation in 2024, University of Turku / Faculty of Law.

**Guest editor** of the themed special issue *Interdisciplinary Research on Societal Challenges* in the journal *Science as Culture* in 2023-

**Reviewer** for the evaluation report of the Strategic Research Council's programme TIETOVA in 2022, Finland.

**Scholarly Book of the Year Award in 2020** granted by The Federation of Finnish Learned Societies and Finnish Association for Scholarly Publishing.

**Reviewer** for the following journals

- Big Data & Society in 2023 and 2024
- Nordic Welfare Research Journal in 2022
- Research Evaluation Journal in 2021

**The Finnish Society for Science and Technology Studies**

- Member of the Board, Spring 2020-present
- Responsible for a member survey in 2023
- Organizing an international symposium in 2022 and 2024

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Finnish	Native
English	C2
Swedish	C1
Italian	B1/B2