

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## DEGREES

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| 2019 | PhD in Rhetoric, Uppsala university   |
| 2016 | Licentiate degree in Rhetoric, Uppsala University   |
| 2012 | M.A. (two year), major in Rhetoric, minors in Theoretical Philosophy and Intellectual history, Uppsala University |
| 2010 | M.A. (one year), major in Rhetoric, Södertörn University  |
| 2009 | B.A., major in Rhetoric, minor in linguistics, Södertörn University   |

## POSITIONS

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| 2022-             | Postdoctoral Fellow in Rhetoric, GRAL, Université libre de Bruxelles/ Department of Culture and Learning, Södertörn University. |
| 2021              | Postdoctoral Fellow in Rhetoric, Department of Culture and Learning, Södertörn University.                                      |
| 2019 - 2021       | Senior Lecturer in Rhetoric, Department of Culture and Learning, Södertörn University.  |
| 2019/02 - 2019/08 | Lecturer in Rhetoric, Department of Culture and Learning, Södertörn University.   |
| 2012/08 - 2014/08 | PhD Fellow in Rhetoric, BEEGS, Södertörn University.  |
| 2015/08 - 2019/02 | Lecturer in Rhetoric, Department of Communication, Media, and IT, Södertörn University.   |
| 2010/01 - 2012/06 | Lecturer in Rhetoric, Department of Communication, Media, and IT, Södertörn University.   |

## PUBLICATIONS

### Monographs

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| 2020 | <i>Diplomacy and Ideology: From the French Revolution to the Digital Age</i> . Routledge New Diplomacy Studies. London: Routledge. ISBN: 9780367897796. [256 p.]   |
| 2019 | <i>The Ambassador's Letter: On the Less Than Nothing of Diplomacy</i> (diss). Unpublished manuscript for doctoral degree. Uppsala: Uppsala universitet. [312 p.]   |
| 2016 | <i>The Ambassador's Letter: On Diplomacy as Ideological State Apparatus</i> . Unpublished manuscript for licentiate degree. Uppsala: Uppsala universitet. [146 p.]   |
| 2013 | <i>Etik, retorik, politik - Till tretydighetens lov</i> [Ethics, Rhetoric, Politics – A Hymn to Ambiguity]. Södertörn Rhetorical Studies 2. Huddinge: Södertörns högskola. (peer-review). ISBN: 978-91-86069-73-5. [96 p.] |

### Articles/Chapters

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| 2020 | “Slavoj Žižek and Dialectical Sophistics - On the Relationship Between Dialectical Philosophy and Philosophical Rhetoric”. <i>Philosophy &amp; Rhetoric</i> , vol. 53, nr. 2, pp.134-156, DOI: 10.5325/phirlhet.53.2.0134. ISSN: 0031-8213 (peer-review). [22 p.] |
| 2020 | “An Alliance of War and Peace: Europe and the Necessity of Diplomacy”. <i>Crisis and Critique</i> , vol. 7, no. 1, s. 194-213. ISSN: 2311-5475. [20 s.]   |

- 2020 "Hovets sofister: Diplomati, retorik och representationens problem [Sophists of the Court: Diplomacy, Rhetoric and the Problem of Representation]", *Rhetorica Scandinavica* 81, pp.48-64 (peer-review). ISSN: 1397-0534.
- 2017 "Ska vi lära folk att tala? Eller: om logologins förutsättningar [Should We Teach People to Speak? Or: On the Prerequisites of Logology]", *Rhetorica Scandinavica* 74, pp.55-71 (peer-review). ISSN: 1397-0534. [17 p.]
- 2015 "Retorikens spöken [The Spectres of Rhetoric]" in *Förledd och förjust*, ed. Bengtson E. & Buhre F. Södertörn Rhetorical Studies 3. Huddinge: Södertörns högskola, pp.73-85. ISBN: 978-91-87843-14-3. [12 p.]
- 2014 "Den oantastliga migranten [The Unassailable Migrant]", *Glänta* 2.14, pp.77-83. ISSN: 1104-5205. [6 p.]
- Translations**
- 2016 Swedish translation of and introduction to "Ontologie/Logologie", "Sens" and "Rhétorique ou espace/temps" by Barbara Cassin, published in *Rhetorica Scandinavica* 71/72, pp. 9-31 (ISSN: 1397-0534) as "Ontologi/Logologi", "Mening" and "Retorik eller rum/tid". French originals published in Barbara Cassin, *L'archipel des idées de Barbara Cassin*, (Paris: Éditions Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, 2014).
- 2012 Swedish translation of and introduction to Ernest G. Bormann's article "Fantasy and rhetorical vision: The rhetorical criticism of social reality", originally published in *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, (1972) vol.58, pp.396-407. Written together with Nadja Fransson and published as "Fantasier och retoriska visioner. Den retoriska analysen av sociala verkligheter" in *Rhetorica Scandinavica* 60, (2012), pp. 7-26. ISSN: 1397-0534.
- Edited volumes**
- 2018 Rosengren, Mats; Schou Therkildsen, Louise & Stagnell, Alexander [eds.]. *Can a person be illegal? Refugees, Migrants and Citizenship in Europe*. Uppsala: Uppsala universitet. ISBN: 978 91-980081-2-8. Contributors: Stahtis Gourgouris, Philippe Caumières, Sharon Rider, Olof Heilo, Ingela Nilsson, Jean Lassègue, Anthony John Lappin, Cecilia Parsberg, Emanuele Profumi, Stine Marie Jacobsen, Mirella Galbiatti, Nastaran Tajeri-Foumani, Mats Rosengren, Schellekens & Peleman.

## INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Groupe de recherche en rhétorique et en argumentation linguistique (GRAL), Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium.
- 2014-2015 Visiting PhD-student, L'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales. Invited by Olivier Remaud to *Centre d'études sociologiques et politiques Raymond Aron* at L'ÉHÉSS in Paris.

## CONFERENCES/PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 "Writing Rhetorical History: Two Research Projects" – Presentation at the Higher Seminar in Rhetoric, Södertörn University.
- 2021 Discussant on Dr. Brigitte Bargetz chapter "Affect, Populism, Politics: Paradoxical Promises of Agency" at the book workshop for *The Complexities of Populism*, Kiehl University.
- 2021 "Project Presentation: Post-Communist Communism in Eastern Europe" – Presentation at the New Projects Symposium, Centre for Baltic and Eastern European Studies, Södertörn University.
- 2021 "Irony and Catachresis: The Problem of the Populist Moment" – Paper presentation at the Higher seminar in Rhetoric at the University of Copenhagen.
- 2021 Invited presentation: "Diplomacy and Ideology: Rhetoric, History, Literature", Department of Humanities, Örebro University.
- 2021 Invited presentation: "Rhetoric and Ideology: Catachresis, Irony, and *Fantasia*", Department of Literature, Uppsala University.

- 2019      Discussant on Professor Hervé Corvellec's paper "Challenging Corporate Truths: The Environmental Parrhesia of Rachel Carson, Erin Brockovich, and Vandana Shiva" – Higher Seminar in Business Administration, Södertörn University, Sweden.
- 2018      "Slavoj Žižek and Dialectical Sophistics" – Paper presented at the Higher Seminar in Philosophy, Södertörn University, Sweden.
- 2016      "The Fourth Negation – Dialectical Materialism and the Political Project of Barbara Cassin" – Paper presentation at the *International Rhetoric Workshop*, Uppsala University, Sweden.
- 2016      "Slavoj Žižek – Neo-Fascist Racist or the Only Hope of the European left?" – Paper presentation at the international workshop *Can a Person Be Illegal?*, Uppsala University, Sweden.
- 2014      "The Borders of *Polis* – Alienation and Diplomacy" – Paper presentation at the international workshop *Rencontres Castoriadis*, L'Institut Mémoires de l'édition contemporaine (IMEC), France.
- 2012      "Ambassadors, Power, Rhetoric" – Paper presentation at the *CBEES/BEEGS-conference*, Mariefred, Sweden.

## **RESEARCH FUNDING**

- 2021      Vetenskapsrådet [The Swedish Research Council] – 3 450 000 SEK (c. € 340 000) for a three-year postdoc project entitled *The Return of the Sophists? – Democracy, Post-Truth, and Rhetoric in the Populist Moment*. [https://www.vr.se/english/swecris.html#/project/2021-00299\\_VR](https://www.vr.se/english/swecris.html#/project/2021-00299_VR)
- 2020      Östersjöstiftelsen [The Foundation for Baltic and Eastern European Studies] – 2 036 000 SEK (c. € 200 000) for a two-year postdoc project entitled *Post-Communist Communism in Eastern Europe: A Rhetorical History of The Ljubljana School of Psychoanalysis..* [https://www.vr.se/english/swecris.html#/project/S2-20-0008\\_OSS](https://www.vr.se/english/swecris.html#/project/S2-20-0008_OSS)
- 2020      Helge Ax:son Johnsons stiftelse [Helge Ax:son Johnson's Foundation] – Research stipend à 50 000 SEK (c. € 5 000) for the project *Barbara Cassin and the Sophists*.
- 2019      Åke Wibergs stiftelse [Åke Wiberg's Foundation] – Personal research stipend for young researchers à 60 000 (c. € 6 000) SEK for the project "*On vous enfermerait dans le département de sophistique*": *The Sophist, Politics and Science in French Post-War Thought*.
- 2014      Svensk-Franska stiftelsen [Swedish-French Foundation] – Scholarship for Research and Higher Education à 100 000 (c. € 10 000) SEK.
- 2014      Gålöstiftelsen [The Gålö Foundation] – Scholarship for Higher Education à 100 000 SEK (c. € 10 000).