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## EDUCATION

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<b>PhD in Political Science</b> , <i>Uppsala University, Sweden</i>	since 2021
Supervisors: Alexandra Segerberg, Pär Zetterberg, Carl Öhman	
<b>PhD Visiting Research Fellowship</b> , <i>European University Institute, Italy</i>	2025
<b>PhD Visiting Research Fellowship</b> , <i>Columbia University, New York, US</i>	2025
<b>Pre-doc in Political Science</b> , <i>Graz University, Austria</i>	2020-2021
Supervisor: Bilgin Ayata	
<b>MSc Political Science</b> , <i>Uppsala University, Sweden</i>	2018-2020
GPA: VG (pass with distinction)	
<b>BA European Studies</b> , <i>Maastricht University, Netherlands</i>	2013-2017

## WORKING PAPERS

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Mainz, S. Inclusion to Exclude: How Feminationalism Impacts Policy Preferences

Mainz, S. Trading Principles? How Linking Immigration to Liberal Values Shifts Public Preferences

Mainz, S. Public support for social media regulation

Grahn, M.; Lawall, K. Mainz, S. and Turnbull-Dugarte, S. "Not in Her Name": Strategic Rebuttals to the Gendered Defence of Illiberal Exclusion

Grahn, M.; Lawall, K. Mainz, S. and Turnbull-Dugarte, S. Liberal nationalism and far-right accommodation

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

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<b>Uppsala University</b> , <i>Uppsala, Sweden</i>	since 2022
Science communication on visual climate communication with Alexandra Segerberg	
<b>Graz University</b> , <i>Graz, Austria</i>	2020-2021
Research on migration and digital data with Bilgin Ayata	
<b>Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (GESIS)</b> , <i>Mannheim, Germany</i>	2019
Research on survey methods and sampling of vulnerable migrant with Dorothée Behr and Steffen Pötzschke	
<b>Uppsala University</b> , <i>Uppsala, Sweden</i>	2019
Research on resentment and populism on social media with Johanna Söderström	

## TEACHING

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### **Uppsala University**

Bachelor Thesis Course, Department of Government	2023, 2024, 2025
The Problem of Democracy, Department of Government	2022, 2023, 2024
Methods consultation, Department of Government	2023, 2024
Computational Social Sciences, IT Department	2023, 2024
Introduction to R, Department of Government	2023
Supervisor for Bachelor Thesis, Department of Government	2023

### **Graz University**

Postcolonial Studies	2021
Race, Racism and Racialization	2021
Migration Studies	2020

## AWARDS

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<b>John Sullivan Award</b>	2025
American Political Science Association, Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Section. Recognizes the best paper by a graduate student for my paper "Inclusion to Exclude: How Feminationalism Impacts Policy Preferences."	

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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<b>Wallenberg Foundation</b>	2021-2026
Full doctoral scholarship by the Wallenberg AI Autonomous Systems and Software Program - Humanities and Social Sciences (WASP-HS)	

<b>Karl Staaffs Fond</b>	2023, 2024, 2025
Scholarships for data collection and research visit abroad	

<b>Anna Maria Lundins Stipendiefond</b>	2023, 2024, 2025
Scholarships for conference attendance and travel	

<b>Borbos Hanssons Stipendiefond</b>	2023, 2024
Scholarships for conference attendance, travel and research visit abroad	

<b>Siamon Stiftelse</b>	2024
Scholarship for conference attendance and travel	

<b>Stiftelsen Lars Hiertas Minne</b>	2023
Scholarship for data collection	

<b>Women in Political Methodology (WPM)</b>	2023
Fellowship and travel stipend	

<b>Swedish Interdisciplinary Research School in Computational Social Science (SIRCSS)</b>	2023
Fellowship and several travel stipends	

## ORGANIZATION OF ACADEMIC EVENTS

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<b>Conference Panel on Gender and Conservative Backlash</b>	2025
EPSA, University Carlos III of Madrid	
Organisation of conference panel with Katharina Lawall	
<b>Conference Panel on Feminationalism</b>	2025
EPSA, University Carlos III of Madrid	
Organisation of conference panel with Katharina Lawall	
<b>Seminar Series on Methods in Political Science</b>	since 2023
Founder and organiser of the PolMethods Seminar Series	
Department of Government, Uppsala University, Sweden	
<b>Workshop on AI and Political Communication</b>	2024
WASP-HS Winter Conference, Umeå University, Sweden	
<b>Workshop on Generative AI in Political Science</b>	2023
Marholmen Conference, Uppsala University, Sweden	
<b>Workshop on R for Political Scientists</b>	2023
Department of Government, Uppsala University, Sweden	
<b>The German-Canadian Conference on Migration and Integration</b>	2019
Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (GESIS), University of Osnabrück, Germany	

## FELLOWSHIPS

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Women in Political Methodology (WPM) Group	since 2023
Swedish Interdisciplinary Research School in Computational Social Science (SIRCSS) Alumni	since 2023
Wallenberg AI Autonomous Systems and Software Program - Humanities and Social Sciences	since 2021
Digital Politics Network (DigPol), Uppsala	since 2021

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Workshops

Bridging Boundaries: Advancing Gender and Politics through Quantitative Methods	2025 (invited)
Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich Consequences of Identity Politics Workshop	2024
Southampton University	

### Conferences

American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting	2024, 2025 (accepted)
European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference	2024, 2025
NYU Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science	2025
European Conference on Politics and Gender (ECPG)	2024
Nordic Political Science Association (NoPSA) Congress	2024
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference	2024

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER WORK

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Doctoral representative to the Board for Research Infrastructure, Uppsala	2024, 2025
Doctoral representative to the Center for Digital Humanities, Uppsala	2024, 2025
Doctoral representative to the department board, Uppsala	2024
Vice-chair of PhD association, Department of Government, Uppsala	2024
Doctoral representative at WASP-HS Program	2022, 2023, 2024

## GRADUATE COURSES

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<b>Political Psychology</b> with Don Green, Columbia University	2025
<b>Computational Social Science Research School</b> , Linköping University	2022-2024
<b>Feminist Technoscience</b> , Linköping University	2024
<b>Causal Inference and Experiments</b> , Essex Summer School, University of Essex	2023
<b>Quantitative Text Analysis</b> Essex Summer School, University of Essex	2023
<b>Academic Teacher Training</b> , Uppsala University	2023
<b>Summer School for Women* in Political Methodology</b> , Basel University	2023
<b>Social Network Analysis</b> , ECPR Winter School, KU Leuven	2023
<b>Introduction to Network Science</b> , Uppsala University	2022
<b>Python Programming</b> , Uppsala University	2022
<b>Ethical, Legal, and Social Impacts of AI and Autonomous Systems</b> , Umeå University	2022
<b>Foundations, Achievements, Conclusions of Social Science</b> , Uppsala University	2022
<b>Reviewing Prior Research</b> , Uppsala University	2022
<b>Applied Methods in Political Science</b> Uppsala University	2022
<b>What is (artificial) intelligence? An Introduction to Cognitive Science</b> , Lund University	2021
<b>Central Analytical Perspectives</b> Uppsala University	2021
<b>Methods in Political Science</b> Uppsala University	2021

## SKILLS

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*Software and Programming:* R, Python, Git, Stata

*Markup:* LaTeX, R Markdown, HTML

*Languages:* English (fluent), German (native), Swedish (fluent), French (good proficiency), Spanish (basic)