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Preface

The Department of Sociology at Stockholm University, offers a lively and collaborative research environment and a strong international research profile. The department was founded in 1954 and our researchers conduct research of high international standard in both sociology and demography. We offer education in sociology at all levels and in sociological demography at master's and graduate levels. Master's and graduate programmes are taught in English and attract international applicants.

In March 2020, the Corona virus hit Sweden and throughout 2021, the pandemic has continued to affect research and teaching at the department. We have followed the recommendations from the Public Health Agency of Sweden and Stockholm University's central guidelines and, for the most part, lectures and seminars have been held online, students have written home or online exams, and staff has worked from home. We are very grateful and proud of how the teachers have been able to switch between campus and online teaching when recommendations have changed, often on short notice. We are also thankful to the administrative staff who managed to administer research and teaching during these difficult times.

In 2021, the department was ranked by ARWU as number seven in Europe and number 34 in the world. By the end of 2021, the Department of Sociology had about 85 employees from around fifteen countries, working in different areas of sociology and demography.

The department's research seminar series – the Sociology Seminar, the Demographic Colloquium, and the Stockholm Sessions on Migration – were mostly held online because of the ongoing pandemic. The seminar series featured both invited scholars, and the department's own researchers.

We also continued with our successful science communication, through press releases, web articles, media training, and guest lectures at seminars with invited policy-makers.

The annual report presents educational and research activities and collaboration in 2021. The report also includes lists of staff members. Additional information on publications and current activities can be found on our website: www.sociology.su.se .

Michael Gähler
Head of Department

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Deputy Head of Department

Educational activities

The educational activities on the undergraduate level include individual courses as well as three bachelor programmes in sociology. The department offers master's and doctoral programmes in both sociology and sociological demography. The master's and doctoral programmes are taught in English and attract applicants from all over the world.

The educational activities are managed by the Director of Studies for Undergraduate and Advanced level (Peter Åkerbäck), the Director of Studies for Graduate Programmes (Sunnee Billingsley), the Assistant Directors of Studies for Undergraduate, Graduate and Programmes and Advanced Level (Anna Carin Haag), and for Undergraduate and Advanced level (Anna Borén). In 2021, about 650 students studied at the department.

Undergraduate and advanced level

Besides three independent sociology courses on undergraduate level (Sociology I, II, and III) each corresponding to 30 credits, the department offered three bachelor programmes in Swedish:

1. Kandidatprogram i sociologi: Arbetsliv och arbetsmarknad (*Bachelor Programme in Sociology: Working Life and Labour Market*)
2. Kandidatprogrammet Personal, arbete och organisation (PAO) (*Bachelor Programme Personnel, Work and Organization*)
3. Kandidatprogrammet för sociologisk samhällsanalys (*Bachelor Programme in Applied Social Research*)

On advanced level the department offered five master programmes in sociology and demography:

1. Master's Programme in Applied Social Research (120 credits)
2. Master's Programme in Sociology (120 credits)
3. Masterprogram i personal, arbete och organisation (*Master's Program in Personnel, Work and Organization*) (120 credits)
4. Multidisciplinary Master's Programme in Demography (120 credits)
5. Master's Programme in Demography (60 credits)

Doctoral programmes

The department offers doctoral programmes in sociology and sociological demography, and usually accepts about 2-3 new doctoral students per year. In 2021, five doctoral students successfully defended their theses (please see the list under headline *Dissertations in 2021 (in alphabetical order)*). By the end of 2021 the department had 39 active doctoral students in sociology and sociological demography, 11 of them located at the Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI).

Research activities

The Department of Sociology has a strong international research profile. Our research includes many facets of Sociology and the department is also home to the Stockholm University Demography Unit (SUDA), which is a well renowned international group of scholars and doctoral students, working on many facets of population dynamics. In all, the department is especially competitive in the areas of cultural sociology, demography, ethnicity and migration, gender, family sociology, political sociology, social policy regimes, social networks, and social stratification. Faculty members are highly active in the international research community, by leading and coordinating large-scale national and international research programmes, and by participating in networks and conferences. We maintain a strong publication record in international peer-review journals with high impact. The department also has two working paper series in sociology and demography respectively.

The department collaborates with several other departments at Stockholm University and is also closely associated with a number of prominent interdisciplinary institutes and centres. These include: Centre for Health Equity Studies (CHES) and Centre for Social Research on Alcohol and Drugs (SoRAD), both at the Department of Public Health Sciences, Stockholm Centre for Organizational Research (SCORE), Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), and the Linnaeus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (SPaDE).

Researchers

Gunnar Andersson is Professor in Demography at Stockholm University. His research has a focus on fertility and family dynamics in Sweden and the Nordic countries, primarily based on analyses of longitudinal register data. Empirical studies during 2021 addressed a decade-long period of Swedish fertility decline. In 2021, he also organized a new Generations and Gender Survey of Sweden, which was fielded during the spring. He worked on a set of analyses of patterns in pandemic-related mortality and morbidity and delivered a report to the Swedish Corona Commission. He chairs the Stockholm University Demography Unit and organizes research programs with focus on fertility trends, migration and integration, and ageing and mortality. He gives the introductory course in the master's program in Demography and supervises PhD projects in Sociological Demography. He is the co-organizer of a research school in register-based research together with epidemiologists at the Karolinska institutet.

Kieron Barclay is a Pro Futura Scientia XIV Fellow at the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study and the Department of Sociology, funded by Riksbankens Jubileumsfond. He is also Docent in Sociology, and a Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR). His teaching is currently limited to supervision of PhD students. His research focuses on how conditions within the family shape long-term socioeconomic, educational, and health outcomes across low-, middle-, and high-income settings, as well as how health is related to fertility behaviour. In 2021 he continued collaborations with Martin Kolk and Martin Hällsten at the Department, as well as numerous international collaborations, and attended the Virtual PAA annual meeting. Kieron is currently a member of the Editorial Board at *Demography*, and the Board of Reviewers at *Comparative Population Studies*. In 2021 Kieron was also invited to review for the European Research Council, and to present his work in the Quantitative Social Science (QSS) Seminar Series at University College London.

Vanessa Barker is Professor of Sociology and Editor in Chief of the international journal *Punishment & Society*. She teaches courses on all levels, including Macrosociology,

Globalization, Qualitative Methods and Complex Inequalities; and she supervises students on all levels, including PhD candidates, Master theses, and C-uppsats. She co-organizes the Sociology Department seminar series and the Antiracism Working Group. In 2021, she published collaborative work on Danish immigration with Peter Scharff Smith (University of Oslo), joined Kjersti Lohne's (University of Oslo) project on transnational justice (Just Exports) as an International Partner (Norwegian Research Council), presented her research on external borders at the Law & Society Association and the CINETS Global Borderlands conference (University of Leiden), began a new book project on borders, and provided expert commentary at the Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research, the Punishment in Global Peripheries conference (University of Oxford), and Decolonizing the Criminal Question Workshop (University of Warwick). She served as Evaluator for the European Research Council, the University of Gothenburg, and Serra-Hunter (Spain), and sits on the editorial boards of *Theoretical Criminology*, *Feminist Criminology*, and the *Howard Journal of Crime and Justice*.

Tim Bartley is a Senior Lecturer in Sociology and an affiliated researcher with the Stockholm Centre for Organizational Research (Score). His research focuses on transnational governance, social movements, and economic sociology. His teaching activities include the bachelors-level course Sociology as a Science and the Masters-level course Introduction to Quantitative Data Management and Statistics. He is the incoming chair of the American Sociological Association's section on Organizations, Occupations, and Work and a research network coordinator for the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics. In 2021, he began a collaborative project on "Green Industrial Transitions" with Malcolm Fairbrother (Umeå University and Institute for Futures Studies) and a project entitled "Toward Foreign Corporate Accountability" with Maria-Therese Gustafsson (SU Political Science) and others. He also continued work on a project with Matthew Amengual (Oxford University) using survey experiments to examine perceptions of distant labor and environmental problems, as well as a project with Carl Gershenson (Princeton University) on globalization-immigration parallels and a project with Luisa Lupo (Graduate Institute, Geneva) on how corporate responsibility is perceived by garment workers in Indonesia.

Karin Helmersson Bergmark is Professor Emerita of Sociology. She retired during 2021, first from her assignment at the department, then in the ending of year also from her appointment as Senior Advisor to the President on international affairs, This assignment involved strategic internationalization work as well as participation in SU internal internationalization work and international networks and projects. At the department Karin Helmersson Bergmark holds a long history of research and teaching assignments as well as tutoring of PhD students (at present Daniel Dahl), masters and B.A. thesis work. Her last lecture was given for the Micro course, ground level. Karin Helmersson Bergmark was Head of department 2008-2012 and Deputy Vice Chancellor for Social Sciences and Humanities 2013-2014. She is also ongoing chair of the board for the Faculty Club at SU.

Sunnee Billingsley is Associate Professor of Sociology and Director of Studies of the Doctoral Program. Currently her teaching includes leading some seminars in the course "Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe" and being part of the examination team in the Research Methods course. She currently supervises PhD students and Master's students, as well as undergraduate theses. Her research focus, broadly, is on the influence of context, including social, economic and climate. Much of her research also incorporates demographic outcomes such as fertility and mortality. In 2021, she continued a collaboration with Ann-Zofie Duvander, Pilar Gonalon-Pons (University of Pennsylvania), and Kelly Musick (Cornell University) in their project on income inequality within couples after entering parenthood in Sweden (funded by Forte and VR). She also began working on studies that are related to research funding awarded to Gerda Neyer (Forte, RJ and VR). Another international collaboration is with Kathryn Grace of the Minnesota Population Center, in which their work

to develop a theoretical framework that combines life course and climate data has been applied to the case of Armenia and Tajikistan.

Magnus Bygren is Professor of Sociology at the Department of Sociology, and affiliated to the Institute for Future Studies, Stockholm. His teaching includes Quantitative Methods (Sociology II), Master's Research Proposal, and Gender and Gender Structures. He supervised at the Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral level. In his research, he broadly focuses inequality and segregation processes. He continued his research collaborations on stereotyping, recruitment discrimination, the dynamics of ethnic and socioeconomic segregation, and gendered career patterns. In 2021, he was Principal Investigator in the research projects "Inclusion and Exclusion at the Labor Market – An Intersectional Field Experiment," (funded by the Swedish Research Council) and "What makes Employers Discriminate by Gender and Parenthood?" (funded by Forte).

Chiara Ludovica Comolli was Senior Postdoctoral researcher at the Stockholm University Demography Unit in 2021, where she worked on a project investigating the last decade's decline in fertility in Sweden and the Nordic countries. She has published several articles in 2021 on the transition to parenthood in the United States and Europe during the Great Recession and one article on the trends in childbearing risk in the Nordic countries across the two most recent economic crises. In 2021 Chiara Comolli has also worked on two Swiss projects collaborating with the University of Lausanne and INED on the themes of life course trajectories and health and wellbeing and on the consequences for children's wellbeing of post-separation family living arrangements. Finally, in 2021 she has also worked on a project on the consequences that the Covid-19 pandemic has on childbearing intentions and behaviour in Europe. At the end of 2021, Chiara left the the Stockholm University Demography Unit to move to the University of Bologna where she is now Senior Assistant Professor.

Johan Dahlberg is Research Fellow at the Stockholm University Demography Unit. His research focus mainly on Birth seasonality, Timing of Birth, Education and Fertility, and Survey Methodology. Johan Dahlberg is working with Prof. Gunnar Andersson and Prof. Gerda Neyer on a second Swedish Generations and Gender Survey (GGS). The Swedish GGS data were collected in 2021 and will be made available to researchers in Sweden and Europe in 2022. Currently he is teaching applied statistics and survey methodology at the Department of Sociology.

Sven Drefahl is Docent and Senior Lecturer in Demography. Currently, he is serving as a member of the Department Board and the Council of the European Association of Population Studies (EAPS). He is one of two coordinators of the Multidisciplinary Master in Demography and is organizing the weekly seminar series of the Stockholm University Demography Unit, the SUDA colloquium. He is teaching a number of master level courses at the Department of Sociology, primarily on statistical methods, demographic methods and demographic theory. He is supervising PhD students at Stockholm University and Karolinska Institutet.

His research focus is on the health and mortality in Sweden and other Western countries, however, in 2021 most of his research was focused on the health and mortality of the Swedish population during the COVID-19 pandemic. He contributed to reports for the Public Health Agency of Sweden (Folkhälsomyndigheten) and for the Swedish Corona Commission (Coronakommissionen), appointed by the Swedish government.

Ann-Zofie Duvander is Professor of Demography. She is presently supervising four PhD students and she is doing a fair amount of supervision at the master's and undergraduate level. She is also examining theses at all levels. She is a member of the Board of the Swedish

Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (Forte) and the Board of the Expert Group of Public Economics under the Finance Ministry (ESO). She is presently heading the following research projects: Fragmented child law – consequences of conflicting rules on child maintenance (Forte), Quality of life among older couples: economic conflicts, relationship quality and gender equality (Familjen Kamprads stiftelse), His and her earnings following parenthood and implications for social inequality: Cohort and cross-national comparisons (Swedish Research Council), and she is participating in a number of national and international projects. She is doing expert advising work for the Inspectorate for the Social Insurance (Inspektionen för socialförsäkringen), and she is an Associate Editor for the journal Demographic Research. Since 2020 she is working parttime as Professor of Sociology at Mid University.

Helen Eriksson is a researcher at the Department of Sociology. In 2021, her teaching activities included course responsibility for Introduction to Quantitative Research Design (Master's level), Applied Social Analysis (Bachelor's level) and Quantitative Methods in Practice and Theory (Bachelor's program in Diversity Studies at the Department of Ethnology, History of Religions and Gender Studies). She also supervised and examined Master's and Bachelor's theses. Together with Maria Brandén she received funding for the project 'A family decision? Population studies of parental leave at the gendered workplace' financed by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (Forte) for the years 2022–2025.

Michael Gähler is Professor of Sociology and Head of Department. His teaching activities include supervision of PhD students and Bachelor's theses. His current research activities focus on labor market discrimination by ethnicity and gender and on the consequences of family constellations for children and adults. In 2021, he collaborated with Magnus Bygren and Charlotta Magnusson (SOFI) on the project "Parenthood penalties and premiums on labor market outcomes: Who is affected and why?" (funded by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare), with Moa Bursell (Institute for Futures Studies) and Magnus Bygren on the project "Ethnic discrimination in a segmented labor market – when and where does discrimination occur? A study using data from three field experiments" (funded by the Swedish Research Council), and with Magnus Bygren on the project "What makes employers discriminate by gender and parenthood?" (funded by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare). He is also part of the project "Changing Families and the Reciprocal Exchange of Living Conditions between Generations" (funded by Riksbankens Jubileumsfond), with Peter Fallesen (SOFI and the ROCKWOOL foundation).

Martin Hällsten is a Professor of Sociology in the Department. His teaching during 2021 focused on quantitative methods at the Master's/PhD-student level and Systematic Reviews. In addition, he became secretary European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR). He remained on the scientific committee of the Center for Business and Policy Studies (SNS) and the editorial board of the European Sociological Review. Hällsten's research focused on processes of social stratification and intergenerational inequality.

Martin Kolk is a researcher at the Demography Unit at the Sociology Department. In 2020 he was also employed at the Institute for Future Studies and affiliated with the center for cultural evolution at SU. He is currently a project investigator for a grant from RJ. He published several articles in 2020, and is also working on a VR grant together with Martin Hällsten. In 2020 and 2021 he had lots of contact with media about Covid-19 questions with for example NBC News, Le Monde, and New York Times. He also produced a report commissioned by the Swedish Public Health Agency, on Covid-19 mortality in Sweden. He is teaching the course Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe.

Linda Kridahl is a researcher at the Department of Sociology (since January 2018). During 2021, Linda examined several bachelor's theses and one masters' thesis in sociology, as well as supervised one master's thesis demography.

Linda had two studies published (co-authored with Ann-Zofie Duvander) and finalized two manuscripts submitted to peer-reviewed journals (authored with Ann-Zofie Duvander and Kristina Stenström). She was also the project leader for a project on divorce in later life (Forte). For the project, she wrote an ethical approval, data management plan and ordered data from the Swedish Pension Agency. In the frame of the project, she also started a collaboration with Sarah Schaumk (Herie School, Berlin). Moreover, Linda was engaged in two other research projects during 2021. First, she was engaged in the Ageing Well program in which she has two studies in various stages. Second, she continued to work with Ann-Zofie Duvander on the 3-year project on life quality, financial wellbeing, gender quality among older couples (Kamprad Family Foundation), which ends in early 2022.

Moreover, due to pandemic, Linda only presented two studies at international conferences. As outreach activities, one of studies published 2021 (Duvander & Kridahl, 2021, money pooling and financial disagreements among couples) was widely published in Swedish newspapers during the fall/winter 2021. She was also interviewed about the study in a radio show ("P4 Extra") at Sweden's public service radio station "Sveriges Radio P1". To improve her teaching skills, Linda participated in two workshops offered by the Centre for the Advancement of University Teaching (CeUL): Create cognitive and social presence in online teaching, and Pedagogical skills – how they are described, substantiated and assessed.

Fredrik Liljeros is Professor of Sociology since 2012 and associated to Global Sexual Health Research group (GloSH) Dept of Global Public Health Karolinska Institutet where he is co-advisor for 2 PhD students. He also has what corresponds to a BA in systems analysis and applied system development

He gives annually three courses on Ba level and two courses on Master/PhD level as well as supervise Ba, Ma and PhD theses at SU and KI. Liljeros have been member of the course collegium for the interdisciplinary master course "Cultural evolution: theories and observations" together with scientists from the faculties of social sciences, natural sciences and humanities at Stockholm University. He has edited Sweden's most popular academic textbook on social stratification, "Ett delat samhälle" together with Professor Christofer Edling at Lund University and have just finished the work with the third updated extended edition of the book.

Liljeros research focuses on the development of new statistical and computational methods for analyzing nonlinear social processes and complex social systems as well as mining and analyzing of new type of data, such as dating sites and hospital systems with tailor made models. Liljeros has published 50+ scientific articles in world leading interdisciplinary scientific journals such as Nature, PNAS and Plos One as well as subjects specific Journals. He is one of Sweden's most cited Sociologist and have 4448 (h-index=22) ISI citations and 8458 (h-index=30) GS citations including two articles with >1000 ISI citations. He is also working on developing software for the prediction of complex nonlinear social systems together with Dolores group.

Liljeros is currently involved in several international research projects related to human contact patterns and their importance for the transmission of low to mediate contagious infections in collaboration with researchers from leading Universities in USA, China, South Korea and Japan.

During the outbreak of Covid, Liljeros has supported researchers at Public Health agency of Sweden and Who and answered questions from both Swedish and International media about contact patterns importance for the spread of Covid.

Anna Lund is Professor of Sociology and Deputy Head of the Department of Sociology. She is also a member of the board for Centre for Studies of Children's Culture, Stockholm University.

Cultural sociological perspectives and ethnographic methods characterize her research, as well as a theoretical concern with social change and cultural transformation under conditions of adversity. Her current research interest is connected to how modes of incorporation is performed in school settings among and for migrant students as well as in Swedish children's theater. She employs civil sphere theory at the microlevel by investigating interactional and organizational processes in school and theater contexts.

Anna Lund works on three externally funded projects: "Staging Migration: Rhetoric, Representation, and Reception in Swedish Children's Theater" (funded by the Swedish Research Council). This project is carried out in collaboration with Rebecka Brinch, Department of Culture and Aesthetics, and Ylva Lorentzon, Department of Child and Youth Studies, both at Stockholm University. Project leader is Anna Lund. The other project is called "Teaching that Matters for Migrant Students: Understanding Levers of Integration in Scotland, Finland and Sweden", and is a research collaboration with a team of ten researchers from the Universities of Edinburgh, Stockholm, Jyvaskyla and Turku. It is funded by NordForsk and led by Natasa Pantic, Edinburgh. Anna Lund is also part of a project funded by The Swedish Research Council on "Municipality Strategies for Integrated Schools: Imposed desegregation of schools for transformative social change" and this project is led by Stefan Lund, Department of Education, Stockholm University.

Lund is also engaged in the Nordic Network for New Social Pragmatism, financed by NOS-HS Workshop call, Academy of Finland (PI: Eeva Luhtakallio, University of Helsinki). She is also on the organization committee for the Civil Sphere Theory Working Group and this network had the inaugural meeting at University of Trento in Italy, 18-19 October 2021.

Lund is the co-head of a course called Complex Inequalities, and is also lecturing on topics such as migration, gender, modern and classical sociological theory and qualitative methods on an advanced level. She is supervising PhD students at the Department of Sociology and the Department of Child and Youth Studies, Stockholm University.

Lund is also the organizer of the pedagogical lunch seminar at the Department of Sociology as well as co-organizer of the monthly workshops in Cultural Sociology and Qualitative Methods as well as engaged in the Anti-Racism Working Group at the Department.

During 2021 she was appointed faculty opponent for PhD-thesis at Göteborgs universitet and she was also an opponent at a final seminar, Department of Culture and Aesthetics, Stockholm University. She served as a member of examination boards for a PhD-thesis at the Department of Political Science, Stockholm University and at the Department of Behavioral Science and Learning, Linköping University.

Hernan Mondani is a researcher at the Department of Sociology. During 2021, he has taught Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences at the advanced level. He has also supervised theses at the C-level and master's level, and has been co-advisor for Daniel Dahl's PhD thesis in sociology. Among his academic appointments during 2021, Hernan has peer-reviewed articles submitted to scientific journals and is part of the organizing committee for the Myrdal Lecture at the Faculty of Social Sciences. He also co-organizes a working group on computational sociology at the department together with Andrea Voyer, and sits at the Department board (Institutionsstyrelsen) since 2021. Additionally, he has presented his work at the Institute for Futures Studies, the Department of Human Geography at Stockholm

University, the European Network for Housing Research Conference, and the Nordic Conference on Violent Extremism. Hernan's research at the Department concerns life-course trajectory analysis of migrants coming to Sweden ("Migrant Trajectories", Forte program) and neighbourhood segregation trajectories ("The Neighbourhood Revisited", RJ program), where he collaborates with researchers at the demographic unit (SUDA) and researchers at the Department of Human Geography at Stockholm University. Hernan does additional research on organized crime and violent extremism at the Institute for Futures Studies and at the Department of Social Work and Criminology at the University of Gävle.

Eleonora Mussino is Docent in Demography. Currently she is teaching and coordinating the Multidisciplinary Master in Demography at Stockholm University. She is supervising PhD and Master Students in the same Department. Her research focuses on international migrants, one of the most important and contentious issues in contemporary European societies. She contributed to understanding the mechanisms underlying immigrant childbearing decisions and their contributions to a country's overall fertility rate. She is the Project investigator of the project on "Influences of origin and destinations on migrant fertility" (funded by Forte) as well as "Over-coverage in Population Registers: measurements, determinants and consequences" (founded by the Swedish Research Council). She also examines the provision of antenatal care and parental leave use of migrants and natives. Her research also investigates the integration of migrants more broadly, as a multidimensional two-way process, and questions the effectiveness of some policies for immigrants both in Italy and Sweden.

Stefanie Möllborn is Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Stockholm University. She is also affiliated with the Institute of Behavioral Science at the University of Colorado Boulder.

In August 2021, she started to work as a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Sociology. Her teaching included course responsibility for Microsociology and the start of supervision of two Master's students. She continued work on a collaborative qualitative project on families' and teenagers' health lifestyles before and during the COVID-19 pandemic with US graduate, postdoctoral, and faculty researchers from the University of Colorado Boulder, the University of Michigan, and Midwestern State University. She also made progress on a book manuscript analyzing this study's data. Her other research engagement focused on sexual minority (LGBQ) women's pre- and postnatal health behaviors and birth outcomes, in collaboration with graduate and faculty US researchers from the University of Utah, and on racial inequalities in cigarette smoking in the US across the transition from adolescence into adulthood, in collaboration with faculty researchers from the University of Nevada Las Vegas and Appalachian State University. She began building new research collaborations in Sweden, the UK, Estonia, and Romania to develop projects for grant submission.

Gerda Neyer is a Senior Research Fellow at the Demography Unit of the Department of Sociology. Her main research concerned fertility development in the Nordic countries, welfare state issues related to fertility, and the social and economic integration of migrant. Together with other colleagues from the Demography Unit she was involved in the new round of the Swedish Generations and Gender Survey 2021 and in research projects on fertility decline in the Nordic countries based on the Generations and Gender Surveys of 2012 and 2021.

Sofi Ohlsson-Wijk is a researcher with a PhD in sociological demography. Her research is focused on family formation, gender and work life and has in 2021 been conducted within four separate projects: 1) "Rising social inequalities and Swedish fertility decline", funded by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working life and Welfare (FORTE), 2) "Ageing well - individuals, families and households under changing demographic regimes in Sweden", funded by FORTE, 3) "Fertility intentions and fertility decline in Sweden", funded by

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (RJ), and 4) "Divorce in old age: Predictors and consequences of late life divorce", funded by FORTE.

In 2021, she has solely carried out research and had no teaching activities. Some of her ongoing work was presented by co-authors at "The meeting of the EAPS Working Group on Register-Based Fertility Research" and at "Pandemic Babies? The Covid-19 Pandemic and Its Impact on Fertility and Family Dynamics".

Livia Sz. Oláh is Associate Professor of Demography, and senior lecturer at the Department of Sociology, Stockholm University. She is main instructor at both master level (Population Processes, MA-thesis in Demography) and BSc level courses (BSc thesis course; Samhälle och befolkningsfrågor), examiner of theses at both levels, main supervisor of a PhD student and co-supervisor for another one in Sociological Demography, and main supervisor of a MA-student. Her research addresses family demographic issues, gender and social policies in Europe. In 2021, she continued collaboration with immediate colleagues as well as with Glenn Sandström and Lena Karlsson (Umeå University) within the project Ageing well, headed by Gunnar Andersson, supported by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare. She also engaged in a project on Fertility Intentions, Fertility Considerations and Fertility Decline in Sweden, headed by Gerda Neyer, supported by the Swedish Research Council. In addition, she has been invited to co-edit a Thematic Issue on Fragile pronatalism? Barriers to parenthood: One-child families and childlessness in European post-socialist countries, in the journal *Social Inclusion*, together with Judit Takacs and Ivett Szalma from the Centre for Social Sciences, Hungarian Academy of Sciences Centre of Excellence, and Hana Hašková from the Institute of Sociology, Czech Academy of Sciences. The thematic issue will be completed in 2022.

In 2021, Oláh was an Editorial Board Member for the journal *Társadalomtudományi Szemle* (Social Science Review), Centre for Social Sciences, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and member of the Advisory Board for the journal *Population and Economics* [<https://populationandeconomics.pensoft.net/>]. She was interviewed in SVT Nyheter and in South China Morning Post.

Didem Oral is a post-doctoral researcher (from September 2020). She is supervising one MA student. She is working on the multidisciplinary project "Teaching that Matters for Migrant Students: Levers of Integration in Scotland, Finland, and Sweden (TEAMS)" funded by Nordforsk. Her research focuses on migration and education in högskolestad in Sweden. By using mixed methods, the TEAMS project examines how teachers, schools and education system facilitate migrant integration in schools to identify educational practices and structural conditions that underline opportunities for migrants' academic success, cross-socialization and how they develop a sense of belonging in their school communities.

Daniel Ritter is Senior Lecturer and Docent at the Department of Sociology. He currently convenes and teaches courses in classical and modern sociological theory at the undergraduate level and political sociology at the graduate level. At the graduate level he also contributes by teaching qualitative methods. In addition to his classroom duties, he supervises theses on the undergraduate and graduate levels, and examines undergraduate theses. He is a member of the work environment group and serves as the Department's equality ombudsperson. In 2021 he was nominated as one of two candidates to serve as chair of the Peace, War & Social Conflict section of the American Sociological Association, a bid that was ultimately unsuccessful.

A political sociologist, his research focuses predominantly on revolutions and social movements. His most recent book (*On Revolutions: Unruly Politics in the Contemporary World*), co-authored with colleagues in the US and Australia, will be published by Oxford

University Press in April 2022. He is currently working on two new projects, one on revolutions and one on the political culture of Sweden. He has featured as an expert in the media on the topic of vaccine protests (Svenska Dagbladet).

Jens Rydgren is Professor of Sociology (from 2009) at Stockholm University, where he holds the Chair in Sociology. He is teaching classical sociological theory at the advanced level, and he is responsible for the master thesis course and the mandatory research seminars for PhD students. He is also supervising PhD students. He is a member of the department's steering group. His research focuses on political sociology, ethnic relations, and social networks. In 2021, a new, joint project with Gabriella Elgenius and Maria Tyrberg was funded by the Swedish Research Foundation ("Why do the working class support the radical right?"), and he also has ongoing projects with Kirsti Jylhä and Pontus Strimling. During 2021, he published a research monograph together with Sanna Salo on how social democracy in the Nordic countries have reacted to the radical right (Routledge, 2021), and a paper on drinking habits and social networks in Plos One together with Nina-Katri Gustafsson et al. In 2021, Jens Rydgren was elected fellow of the Swedish Royal Academy of Letters, where he gave his inaugural speech in November. During 2021 he has done several interviews with journalists, and he served as a member of Expo's scientific board.

Åke Sandberg is Professor emeritus of Sociology. His teaching activities include guest lecturing at Södertörns Högskola on labour markets and the gig economy. He has been working on an empirical study on jobs, welfare and radical right wing politics in a small Swedish industrial town. The outcome in the summer of 2021 was the book "Främling i sin stad" (Stranger in your town) which resulted in media attention, including articles, interviews and reviews in publications such as Folkbladet, Flamman, Miljömagasinet, Säfte-Tidningen och Värmlands Folkblad. The book was a background for a full evening seminar in Säfte Kyrka including an introductory lecture, a panel with political parties and a panel with civil society representatives from the church and academia etc.

Charlotta Stern is Professor of Sociology in organization and labour. She teaches sociology as science in the Sociology I course and is the department's coordinator for the Bachelor program in Personnel, work and organizations (hosted by IPD). She is part of the academic committee for the World congress of the Ilera association 2021, and she referees project proposals in labour market studies for IFAU at Uppsala University. Stern is on 70 percent leave of absence from her position to work at the Ratio institute. There she is the principal investigator for the labour market program and researches how the Swedish labor market model works in practice. In 2021 she published an article in Economic and Industrial Democracy with Linda Weidenstedt on employment protection, and co-authored a report on Distance working after the Covid-19 pandemic.

Mikaela Sundberg is Professor of Sociology, Director of Research at Stockholm Centre for Organizational Research (SCORE) and Affiliated Researcher with Uppsala Religion and Society Research Centre. She has worked on finalizing a new book, *Fraternal relations in monasteries – A laboratory of love*, to be published by Routledge in 2022, and based on work within the project Organizing Monastic Life (funded by the Swedish Research Council). Together with Francis Lee, Chalmers University and others she has been planning research on the organization and politics of cause of death statistics. She collaborates with Michael Grothe-Hammer, Trondheim University and others on launching a new journal in organizational sociology. In terms of teaching, she is main instructor for Qualitative Analysis (Sociology I) and Modern sociological theory (advanced level) and lectures at Qualitative methods (advanced level).

Elizabeth Thomson is Professor Emerita of Demography. She has directed the Linnaeus Center for Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe and the Swedish Generations and Department of Sociology - ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Gender Survey, both funded by the Swedish Research Council. She serves on the Scientific Advisory Boards of the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital (Austria) and LIVES, Swiss National Center of Competence in Research, and is a member of the Editorial Board for the Vienna Yearbook of Population. She is a member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, with responsibilities in the social sciences class and on the environmental and energy committee. Elizabeth Thomson's current research focuses on the implications of cohabitation for family complexity (Swedish Research Council) with several European and U.S. collaborators. She also collaborates with Jani Turunen on studies of children's living arrangements after parental separation (Forte). In 2021 she gave a keynote address to the European Network for the Sociological and Demographic Study of Divorce, "How Divorce Makes Coresidence Visible in a Conjugal Family System".

Andrea Voyer is Docent and was appointed Senior Lecturer in 2021. She is the coordinator of the master programs in Sociology and Applied Social Research. In addition to supervising students at all levels, she teaches courses in basic sociology, research methods, which she designed, ethnicity and integration, and the master thesis proposal. She is also co-leader of the Department's Qualitative Methods Working Group, and the co-founder and co-coordinator of the Cultural Sociology and Computational Sociology research groups. In 2021, she served on the examination committee for doctoral dissertations at Uppsala University (sociology) and Stockholm University (sociology and psychology).

Andrea was recently appointed to the research council of the National Library of Sweden. She was also included in the inaugural class of scholars in the Moscow Centre for Cultural Sociology. She routinely reviews articles and grant proposals. In 2021, she served on the editorial boards of the journals *Sociological Theory* and *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*, and was a member of the panel of experts for the Sociology Program of the US National Science Foundation. She served on the selection committee for the 2021 Clifford Geertz Award for Best Article in the Culture Section of the American Sociological Association.

Andrea's research focuses on processes of social inclusion and exclusion on the basis of immigration, race, and class. In 2021, Andrea led a National Science Foundation project, "Social Norms, Social Boundaries, and Inequality." She presented this research at the 2021 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, the 2021 Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, the 2021 Civil Sphere Theory Network Meeting, and the Moscow University Centre for Cultural Sociology Workshop. She also delivered guest lectures and seminars at Södertörn University and in the Department of Linguistics at Stockholm University.

Matthew Wallace is a researcher and Docent in demography. He works primarily at the inter-section of mortality and migration. Alongside supervising master's students, he teaches part of the Event-History Analysis course (SO7133). In 2021, he continued his work as the P.I. on the FORTE-funded project 'Migrant mortality advantage lost? Emerging lifespan inequalities for migrants and their descendants'. Alongside this, he collaborated internally with colleagues (on sociodemographic risk factors and COVID-19 mortality in Sweden), with colleagues elsewhere at S.U. (such as the Public Health department, on migration and COVID-19 mortality in Sweden), and internationally with colleagues in the U.K. (on migration and social inequality) and various Nordic countries (on the impact of the mortality of migrants on national life expectancy in the Nordic region). He published his work in journals such as *Population Studies*, the *European Journal of Public Health*, and the *American Journal of Epidemiology*. He presented his research (virtually) at the *Population Association of America* and *British Society for Population Studies*. He co-wrote a report requested by the Public Health Agency of Sweden (Folkhälsomyndigheten) entitled 'Excess Mortality and Mortality from COVID-19 in Sweden in 2020'.

Rosa Weber is a postdoctoral researcher in Sociology. Her research focuses on migration and integration among immigrants and their descendants. She is working on her international postdoc project, "Social Ties and Immigrant Integration: Bridging and Bonding Ties in France and Sweden" (Funded by the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (FORTE); 2021-2023). She is also involved in the 3GEN project at Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques (INED) in Paris, "The transmission of Social Disadvantage in Immigrant and Native Families Across Three Generations in France" (PI Mathieu Ichou).

Linda Weidenstedt is acting lecturer at the Department of Sociology. Her teaching activities include lectures and seminars in the undergraduate course "Organization and Work" (Organisation och Arbete) that is part of the PAO program. She is also responsible for the graduate/postgraduate/Master level course "Sociological Perspectives on Organization and Leadership", also part of the PAO program, where she holds both lectures and seminars.

Ben Wilson is a post-doctoral researcher at the Stockholm University Demography Unit (SUDA) and a visiting fellow of the Department of Methodology at the London School of Economics. In 2021, Ben led two research projects: an ERC Starting Grant examining the inequalities experienced by descendants of refugees, and a VR-funded project on the family formation of immigrants who arrived as children. In his role as a co-applicant, he also worked on several other grants, including a Forte-funded project that studies the influences of origin and destination on immigrant fertility, and an RJ-funded programme that studies spatial polarization and social cohesion in Sweden. Alongside these projects, Ben is involved in a number of collaborations, including a European network for fertility research, a European network for studying the family dynamics of immigrants, and research that is developing new methods for the study of causality and mediation. Outside the Nordic countries, his collaborators include members of Princeton University, University College London, University of Palermo, and Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research. Ben's teaching includes the supervision of PhD and Masters students, as well as various lectures and seminars for graduates and postgraduates. In 2021, he gave a number of invited talks for students, academics and the general public, including presentations to the Penn Population Studies Center and the Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, as well as a PhD masterclass for the European Association for Population Studies (EAPS).

Research projects by the end of 2021

In the table below, we report externally funded research projects where the project investigator, PI, or the co-investigator, is employed by the department, i.e. where there is a contract between research funders and the department. This means that scholarships and research projects where the project investigator or co-investigator is employed elsewhere are not included.

Project title	Ageing well - individuals, families and households under changing demographic regimes in Sweden
Project investigator	Gunnar Andersson
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title	The Swedish Generations and Gender Survey (GGS)
Project investigator	Gunnar Andersson
Funding source	Riksbankens Jubileumsfond

Project title	Fertility intentions and fertility decline in Sweden
Project investigators	Gunnar Andersson, Gerda Neyer
Funding source	Riksbankens Jubileumsfond
Project title	Fertility intentions, fertility considerations and Swedish fertility decline
Project investigators	Gunnar Andersson, Gerda Neyer
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Rising social inequalities and Swedish fertility decline
Project investigator	Gunnar Andersson
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title	Dynamics of immigrant integration in unemployment, poverty, and segregation
Project investigator	Siddartha Aradhya
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Inclusion and exclusion at the labor market – an intersectional field experiment
Project investigator	Magnus Bygren
Funding source	Vetenskapsrådet
Project title	Explaining Europe’s changing party systems: an issue salience approach
Project investigator	James Dennison
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Exporting Nordic models of fatherhood, gender egalitarianism and parental leave
Project investigator	Ann-Zofie Duvander
Funding source	Nordic Council of Ministers
Project title	Fragmented child law – consequences of conflicting rules on child maintenance
Project investigator	Ann-Zofie Duvander
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title	Life quality among older adults in contemporary Sweden: Financial conflicts, relationship quality and equality
Project investigator	Ann-Zofie Duvander
Funding source	The Kamprad Family Foundation for Entrepreneurship, Research & Charity

Project title	Why are fathers with the most to lose from an absence from the workplace also those who take most parental leave? Helen Eriksson
Project investigator	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Funding source	
Project Title	A Family Decision? Population Studies of parental leave at the gendered workplace Helen Eriksson
Project investigator	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Funding source	
Project title	The shadow of peasant past: The impact of past generations on living conditions in Sweden
Project investigator	Martin Hällsten
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Stockholm Node of CRITEVENTS
Project investigator	Juho Härkönen
Funding source	Norface
Project title	Demographic and economic growth during three centuries. Longitudinal micro-level data for 1800-2007 from Sweden and Taiwan
Project investigator	Martin Kolk
Funding source	Riksbankens Jubileumsfond
Project title	Divorce in old age: Predictors and consequences of late life divorce
Project investigator	Linda Kridahl
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title	Staging Migration: Rhetoric, Representation, and Reception in Swedish Children's Theater
Project investigator	Anna Lund
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council
Project title	Teaching that matters for migrant students (TEAMS)
Co-Investigator	Anna Lund
Funding source	Nordforsk
Project title	Influence of origin and destination on migrant fertility
Project investigator	Eleonora Mussino
Funding source	The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title	Radical Right-wing Parties in Europe: A Comparative Study

Project investigator Funding source	Jens Rydgren The Swedish Research Council
Project title Project investigator Funding source	Organizing Monastic Life: Towards a Theory of Fraternal relations Mikaela Sundberg The Swedish Research Council
Project title Project investigator Funding source	Migrant mortality advantage lost? Emerging lifespan inequalities among migrants & their descendants Matthew Wallace The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title Project investigator Funding Source	Social Ties and Immigrant Integration: Bridging and Bonding Ties in France and Sweden Rosa Weber The Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare
Project title Project investigator Funding source	A Better Life for the Children of Exile: Intergenerational Adaptation of the Descendants of Refugees Ben Wilson The European Research Council (ERC)
Project title Project investigator Funding source	Exposure to Swedish society and immigrant integration: The family formation of immigrants who arrived as children Ben Wilson The Swedish Research Council

Promotions and appointments

In 2021, Tim Bartley and Stefanie Möllborn were recruited as Senior Lecturers. Sven Drefahl and Andrea Voyer were promoted to Senior Lecturers. Ben Wilson was appointed Associate Professor of Sociology (Docent), and Matthew Wallace was appointed Associate Professor of Demography (Docent).

Dissertations in 2021 (in alphabetical order)

Simon Hjalmarsson. "[Taking Part on Equal Terms? Associations between Economic Resources and Social Participation among Swedish Adolescents.](#)"

Jelena Jovičić. "[On the Visual \(Re\)production of 'Refugeeness': Images, production sites and oppositional gazes.](#)"

Andrea Monti. "[Moving again: Studies of international return and onward migration.](#)"

Signe Svallfors. "Bodies and Battlefields: [Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in the Colombian Armed Conflict.](#)"

Wei qian Xia. "[The Political Sociology of Religion: The Impact of Religion on Political Attitudes and Behaviors in Secularizing European Societies.](#)"

Science communication

During 2021, we have continued our work on communicating research to the public, journalists, potential students, policy makers, politicians, and other researchers. We put out eight press releases through Stockholm University's central communications office, and published a number of web articles on our own websites. Our news have to a large extent been published in Stockholm University's central newsletter. We have been active on social media – on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Linkedin](#).

Our researchers were frequently called upon by Swedish and international media, to comment on questions related to their research fields in sociology and demography. Through our affiliation with "Expertsvar", a service from the Swedish Research Council, we provided journalists with expert answers from our researchers throughout the year.

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