

# CURRICULUM VITAE

Ola Sjöberg

Date of birth: January 4 1967

## Academic background

(BA) with major in Economics (1992) and in Sociology (1994).

Licentiate degree in Sociology 1999.

Ph. D. in Sociology 2000.

Associate Professor in Sociology 2007.

Professor in Sociology 2010.

## Employment

### *Current employment*

Professor, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm University.

- 2014-2016 Visiting Professor, Centre for Health Equity studies (CHESS) (20/80%)  
2010- Professor, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI)  
2009-10: Researcher, Swedish Institute for Futures Studies (40%)  
2009-14: Deputy Director, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI) (25%)  
2009-10: Associate Professor, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI)  
2006-08: Associate Professor, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI)  
2006: Researcher, Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs  
2002-05: Assistant Professor, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI)  
2001: Secretary in the Swedish Welfare Commission  
1995-00: Research Assistant, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI)

## Publications

### *A. Articles in peer-reviewed journals*

1. Sjöberg, O. (forthcoming). "Routes to retirement, working conditions and quality of life in comparative perspective". *Health & Place*.
2. Sjöberg, O. (2021) "Work-retirement transitions and mental health: A longitudinal analysis of the role of social protection generosity in 11 countries". *Scandinavian Journal of Public Health*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/14034948211042130>
3. Nelson, K., Fredriksson, D., Korpi, T., Korpi, W., Palme, J., & Sjöberg, O. (2020). "The social policy indicators (SPIN) database." *International Journal of Social Welfare*, vol.29(3): 285-289.
4. Sjöberg, O. (2018) "Why some employees might thrive on job insecurity: Human values as a moderating factor in the job insecurity-wellbeing relationship". *International Journal of Wellbeing*, vol. 8(1): 34-44
5. Sjöberg, O. (2017) "Positive welfare state dynamics? Sickness benefits and sickness absence in Europe 1997–2011". *Social Science & Medicine*, vol. 177: 158-168.
6. Sjöberg, O. (2017) "Employee collective voice and short-term sickness absence in Europe". *European Journal of Industrial Relations*, vol. 23(2): 151 – 168.
7. Lundberg, O., Åberg Yngwe, M., Bergqvist, K. and O. Sjöberg (2015) "Welfare States and Health Inequalities" *Canadian Public Policy*, vol. 42(2): S26-S33

8. Ferrarini, T., Nelson, K. and Sjöberg, O (2014). "Decomposing the effect of social policies on population health and inequalities: An empirical example of unemployment benefits." *Scandinavian journal of Public Health*, vol. 42(7): 635-642.
9. Ferrarini, T., Nelson, K. and Sjöberg, O (2014) Unemployment insurance and deteriorating self-rated health in 23 European countries. *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, vol. 68(7): 657-662.
10. Sjöberg, O. (2014) "Old-age pensions and population health: A global and cross-national perspective." *Global Public Health*, vol. 9(3): 271–285.
11. Lundberg, O., Åberg Yngwe, M., Fritzell, J., Bacchus Hertzman, J., Bergqvist, K., Ferrarini, T., Nelso, K., and Sjöberg, O. (2013). "The effect of social protection and income maintenance policies on health and health inequalities". *European Journal of Public Health*, 23(suppl. 1).
12. Pega, F., Blakely, T., Carter, C. and Sjöberg, O. (2012) "The explanation of a paradox? A commentary on Mackenbach with perspectives from research on financial credits and risk factor trends" *Social Science & Medicine*, vol. 75 (4): 770-773.
13. Sjöberg, O. (2010). "Social Insurance as a Collective Resource: Unemployment Benefits, Job Insecurity and Subjective Well-being in a Comparative Perspective". *Social Forces*, vol. 88(3): 1281-1304.
14. Sjöberg, O. (2010). "Ambivalent Attitudes, Contradictory Institutions: Ambivalence in Gender-Role Attitudes in Comparative Perspective". *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, vol. 51(1-2): 33-57.
15. Sjöberg, O. and T. Ferrarini (2010). "Social Policy and Health: Transition Countries in a Comparative Perspective". I Åberg Yngwe M, Fritzell J, Kölegård M and Lundberg O. (red). *Social Policies and Public Health Across the Life Course*, *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 2010, 19 (Suppl X).
16. Sjöberg, O. (2009) "Corporate Governance and Earnings Inequality in the OECD Countries 1979–2000". *European Sociological Review*, vol. 25(5): 519-534.
17. I. Esser, T. Ferrarini, K. Nelson and O. Sjöberg, O. (2009). "A Framework for Comparing Social Protection in Developing and Developed Countries: The Example of Child Benefits". *International Social Security Review*, vol. 62(1): 91-115
18. Sjöberg, O. (2008). "Labour Market Mobility and Worker's Skills in a Comparative Perspective: Exploring the Role of Unemployment Insurance Benefits". *International Journal of Social Welfare*, vol. 17(1): 74-83.
19. Sjöberg, O. (2004). "The Role of Family Policy Institutions in Explaining Gender-Role Attitudes: a Comparative Multi-level Analysis of Thirteen Industrialized Countries". *Journal of European Social Policy*, vol. 14(2): 107-123.
20. Palme, J., Å. Bergmark, O. Bäckman, F. Estrada, J. Fritzell, O. Lundberg, O. Sjöberg and M. Szebehely. (2002). "Welfare Trends in Sweden: Balancing the Books for the 1990s". *Journal of European Social Policy*, vol. 12(4): 329-347.
21. Sjöberg, O. (2000). "Unemployment and Unemployment Benefits in the OECD 1960 – 1990 – An Empirical Test of Neo-Classical Economic Theory". *Work, Employment, and Society*, vol. 14(1): 51-76.
22. Sjöberg, O. "Paying for Social Rights". *Journal of Social Policy*, vol. 28(2): 275-297.

### B. Monographs

23. Sjöberg, O. (2018) Employment and working conditions of selected types of platform work. National context analysis Sweden. Eurofound.
24. Lundberg, O., Åberg Yngwe, M., Bergqvist, K & Sjöberg, O. (2014). *DRIVERS Final scientific report: The role of income and social protection for inequalities in health*,

- evidence and policy implications*. Report produced as part of the ‘DRIVERS for Health Equity’ project. Stockholm: Centre for Health Equity Studies.
25. Ferrarini, T., Nelson, K. Palme, J. and O. Sjöberg, (2012) Sveriges socialförsäkringar i jämförande perspektiv. En institutionell analys av sjuk-, arbetsskade- och arbetslöshetsförsäkringarna i 18 OECD-länder 1930 till 2010. ("Social Insurance in Sweden in Comparative Perspective. An Institutional Analysis of Sickness-, Work Accident- and Unemployment Insurance in 18 OECD countries 1930-2010"). Underlagsrapport nr. 10 till den parlamentariska socialförsäkringsutredningen (S 2010:04). Stockholm: Socialdepartementet.
  26. Palme, J., K. Nelson, O. Sjöberg and R. Minas. (2009). *European Social Models, Protection and Inclusion*. Research Report 2009/1, Institute for Futures Studies.
  27. Palme, Joakim, Å. Bergmark, O. Bäckman, F. Estrada, J. Fritzell, O. Lundberg, O. Sjöberg, L. Sommestad and M. Szebehely. (2003). *A Welfare Balance Sheet for the 1990s*. Scandinavian Journal of Public Health, Supplement 60, August
  28. Palme, J., Å. Bergmark, O. Bäckman, F. Estrada, J. Fritzell, O. Lundberg, O. Sjöberg, L. Sommestad, and M. Szebehely. (2002). *Välfärdsbokslut för 1990-talet (A Welfare Balance Sheet for the 1990s*. Final Report from the Welfare Commission). Slutbetänkande från Kommittén Välfärdsbokslut. SOU 2001: 79. Stockholm: Fritzes.
  29. Palme, J., Å. Bergmark, O. Bäckman, F. Estrada, J. Fritzell, O. Lundberg, O. Sjöberg, L. Sommestad, and M. Szebehely (2002). *Welfare in Sweden: The Balance Sheet for the 1990s*. Ds 2002:32. Stockholm: Fritzes
  30. Sjöberg, O. (2000). *Duties in the Welfare State. Working and Paying for Social Rights*. Fil. Dr. avhandling i sociologi. Institutet för Social Forskning avhandlingsserie nr. 42. Stockholm: Akademitryck AB.
  31. Sjöberg, O. (1999). *Paying for Social Rights*. Fil. lic. thesis in sociology. Stockholm: Swedish Institute for Social Reserach..

### C. Chapters in books

32. Sjöberg, O., Carroll, E. & J. Palme (2021) "Unemployment Insurance". Pp. 573-588 in "The Oxford handbook of the Welfare State" (2<sup>nd</sup> edition). Oxford: Oxford University Press.
33. Sjöberg, O. (2015) "Den Svenska arbetsmarknadsmodellen i förändring" (*The Swedish Labour Market Model in Times of Change*). In *De Nordiske Arbejdsmarkedsmodeller i Global Konkurrence*. [http://detnordiskearbejdsmarked.org/wp-content/uploads/rapport-de\\_nordiske\\_arb1.pdf](http://detnordiskearbejdsmarked.org/wp-content/uploads/rapport-de_nordiske_arb1.pdf)
34. Esser, I. och Sjöberg, O. (2014) "Arbetsmarknadsmodeller". In R. Azarian, A. Daoud and B. Larsson (eds) *Ekonomisk Sociologi*, Stockholm: Liber
35. Sjöberg, O. (2011) "Sweden: ambivalent adjustment". In J. Clasen and D. Clegg (eds), *Regulating the risk of unemployment*, Oxford: Oxford University Press
36. Sjöberg, O., J. Palme and E. Carroll. (2010) "Unemployment Insurance". In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Social Policy*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
37. Ferrarini, T., K. Nelson and O. Sjöberg. (2010). "Multipla sociala problem: Sverige i jämförande belysning" ("Multiple social problems: Sweden and the EU countries compared"). In Socialstyrelsen, *Social Rapport 2010*. Stockholm: Socialstyrelsen.
38. Sjöberg, O. (forthcoming) "The Politics of Flexicurity in Sweden". I D. Clegg, M. Jessoula and P. Graziano (eds.) "The Politics of flexicurity in Europe".
39. O. Bäckman, I. Esser, T. Ferrarini, T. Korpi, K. Nelson, Y. Rojas and O. Sjöberg. (2009). "Indicadores Comparativos Sobre Calidad En El Empleo Y Protection Social".

I Guillén Rodríguez, A-M., Guitérrez Palacios, R., González Begega, S. (eds.) *Calidad Del Trabajo En La Unión Europa. Concepto, Tensiones, Dimensiones*. Navarra: Thomson Civitas.

40. Sjöberg, O. (2005). "Sysselsättning och försörjning bland unga utanför" (work and incomes among marginalized youths"). In Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs, *Fokus05: En analys av ungas etablering och egen försörjning*. Stockholm: Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs.
41. Sjöberg, O. (2006). "Ungas syn på kultur och fritidsutbudet" ("How youths view the supply of culture and leisure activities") In Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs, *Fokus06: En analys av ungas kultur och fritid*. Stockholm: Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs.
42. Sjöberg, O. (2005) "Financing Big Welfare States: Sweden During Crisis and Recovery". In J. Palme and O. Kangas (eds.) *Social Policy and Economic Development in the Nordic Countries*. Basingstoke: Palgrave.
43. J. Palme and O. Sjöberg. (2002). "Välfärdens finansiering i ett europeiskt perspektiv". In *Våra skatter? Expertrapporter till Skattebasutredningen*. SOU 2002: 47. Stockholm: Fritzes.
44. Sjöberg, O. and O. Bäckman. (2001). "Incitament och arbetsutbud – En diskussion och kunskapsöversikt". In J. Fritzell och J. Palme (eds.) *Välfärdens finansiering och fördelning*. SOU 2001:57. Stockholm. Fritzes.
45. Sjöberg, O. (2001). "Välfärdens finansiering under 1990-talet". In J. Fritzell och J. Palme (eds.) *Välfärdens finansiering och fördelning*. SOU 2001:57. Stockholm. Fritzes.
46. Sjöberg, O. (1999). "Financing Social Protection in Europe: A Historical Outline". I Ministry of Social Affairs and Health Publications, *Financing Social Protection in Europe*. Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Helsinki, Finland
47. Sjöberg, O. (1997). "Paying for Social Rights". I *The End of the Welfare State? Social Policy, Citizenship Rights and Welfare Provision in a Changing Europe*. Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Graduate Student Conference, Institute on Western Europe, Columbia University, March 6-8

#### D. Other publications

48. Sjöberg, O. (2009). "Politiska och strukturella drivkrafter bakom förändringar i skattestrukturen i OECD-länderna 1965-2000" ("*Political and Structural Explanations for Changing Tax Structures in the OECD countries 1965-2000*"). Background report to till Swedish Globalization Council. Swedish Institute for Futures Studies. Mimeo.
49. O. Bäckman, I. Esser, T. Ferrarini, T. Korpi, K. Nelson, Y. Rojas and O. Sjöberg. (2008). "Documentation of Data for the Analysis of Job Quality". RECOWE Working Paper: Task 03.01: Stockholm: Swedish Institute for Futures Studies. Mimeo.
50. Sjöberg, O., K. Nelson, T. Ferrarini and I. Esser. (2007). "Terms of Reference for the Study of Social Protection in Developing Countries". Stockholm: SIDA. Stencil.
51. Sjöberg, O. and K. Nelson (2007). "The Institutional Regime Approach. A Framework for the Study of Social Protection in Developing Countries". Stockholm: Swedish Institute for Futures Studies. Mimeo.
52. Ferrarini, T. and O. Sjöberg. (2007). "Welfare State Institutions and Health Outcomes in Transition Countries". Background report for the WHO-project The Nordic Experience: Welfare States and Public Health (NEWS). Stockholms Universitet: Centre for Health Equity Studies (CHESS).

53. Sjöberg, O. (2006). "Inaktiva ungdomar – aktivare än man trott". ("Inactive Youths - More Active than Usually Assumed"). *Välfärd*, nr. 1: 18-19.
54. Sjöberg, O. (2004). "Attitudes Related to Fertility and Childbearing in the EU Countries". Background report for Swedish Institute for Futures Studies: *Sustainable Policies in an Ageing Europe: A Human Capital Response*. Stockholm: Swedish Institute for Futures Studies. Mimeo.
55. Sjöberg, O. (2004). Lifelong Learning in the European Union: Citizen's Views" Background report for Swedish Institute for Futures Studies: *Sustainable Policies in an Ageing Europe: A Human Capital Response*. Stockholm: Swedish Institute for Futures Studies. Mimeo.
56. Sjöberg, O. (2002). "Transitional Labor Markets, Part-time Work and Occupational Mobility". Institutet för Social Forskning. Research Report..
57. Sjöberg, O. (2002). "Getting Ahead. Cross-national Differences in Beliefs about Social Mobility". Institutet för Social Forskning. Research Report.
58. Sjöberg, O. (2000). "The Fear of Unemployment". Institutet för Social Forskning. Research Report .
59. Sjöberg, O. (1994). "Review of Axelsson, B. and G. Easton (eds.) Industrial Networks: a New View of Reality", *Acta Sociologica* vol. 37(4): 423-426.
60. Sjöberg, O. (1994). "Nätverk på industriella marknader: Uppsalaskolans bidrag". Work-Organization– Economy Working Paper No. 21. Sociologiska institutionen, Stockholms universitet.
61. Sjöberg, O. (1992). "Psykologi och Nationalekonomi". Master thesis in Economics. Department of Economics, Uppsala University.

### **Appointments and research networks**

Member of advisory board, Ageing Research Center (ARC), Karolinska Institutet (2018-).

Member of Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet) advisory board for the European Social Survey (ESS) and the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE) (2015-2018).

Member of 'EQUALSOC' Network of Excellence of the 6th framework program of the EU.

Member of 'RECWOWE' Network of Excellence of the 6th framework program of the EU.

Member of The Linnaeus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (SPaDE), Stockholm University.

Organiser of the conference 'Social policy, labour market and welfare', Stockholm, Sweden 2001. Organiser of the XI Nordic social policy conference 'Redesign of the welfare state? - Policy reforms and their consequences', Helsinki, Finland 2002. Organiser of the annual meeting of the Swedish Sociological Association, Stockholm 2003. Organiser of the RC19 conference 'The Future of Social Citizenship', 4-6 September 2008. Seminar organiser SVS-seminar, Swedish Institute for Social Research, 2003-2004.

### **External Funding for Larger Research Projects**

2018-21      Ett organisatorisk och komparativt perspektiv på individers arbetsmiljö oh hälsa (Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare)

	(Forte))
2018-21	Working Conditions in late working life, paths to retirement and health after retirement (Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation (Riksbankens Jubileumsfond)).
2013-17	Global economic crisis, institutional change and inequality in comparative perspective: Changing Western welfare states and labour markets since the global financial crisis of 2008. Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet)
2008-12	A-kassa och jobbkvalitet: Ett projekt om arbetslöshetsersättningens betydelse för matchningsprocesserna på arbetsmarknaden ("Unemployment benefits and job quality") Swedish Council for Working Life and Social research (FAS)
2008-18	The Linnaeus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe (SPaDE). Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet)
2008-10	Sustainable Taxes in a Global Context: The Political Economy of Risk-Insurance and Intergenerational Redistribution". Riksbankens jubileumsfond.
2004-07	Social policy and welfare outcomes in East- and Central Europe in comparative perspective ("Socialpolitiska strategier och välfärdsutfall i Öst- och Centraleuropa i jämförande perspektiv"). Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet).

## External reviewer

- External reviewer, PHD thesis Mikael Goossen ("In his or her opinion? The gender gap in attitudes towards the welfare state in Sweden and Europe). Department of Sociology, Umeå University (2021).
- External reviewer, PHD thesis Therese Saltkjel ("Social disadvantages and welfare problems: The role of collective welfare resources). Department of Social Work, Child Welfare and Social Policy, Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences (2017).
- Member of Ph.D. examining committee, Björn Högberg, Department of Social Work, Umeå University (2019)
- Member of Ph.D. examining committee, Julia Åhlin, Department of Public Health Sciences, Stockholm university (2019)
- Member of Ph.D. examining committee, Sara Thalberg, Department of sociology, Stockholm university (2013)
- Member of Ph.D. examining committee, Ida Öun, Department of sociology, Umeå University (2012)
- Member of Ph.D. examining committee, Madelene Nordlund, Department of sociology, Umeå University (2011)
- Member of Ph.D. examining committee, Jaewon Kim, Department of Economics, Stockholm university, Stockholm university (2011)
- External reviewer, final Ph.D. seminar, Björn Högberg, Department of Social Work, Umeå University (2019)
- External reviewer, final Ph.D. seminar Jayeon Lindellee, Department of Social Work, Lund University (2018)
- External reviewer, final Ph.D. seminar Patric Vulkan, Department of sociology, University of Gothenburg (2015).

- External reviewer, final Ph.D. seminar Ida Öun, Department of sociology, Umeå University (2012)
- External reviewer, final Ph.D. seminar Madelene Nordlund, Department of sociology, Umeå University (2011)
- External reviewer half-time Ph.D. seminar Nagdja Grees, Department of Government, Uppsala University (2018)
- Expert reviewer, appointment to associate professor (Docent) Sara Brodin Låftman, Swedish Institute for Social Research (2018)
- Expert reviewer, appointment to associate professor (Docent) Jenny Torssander, Swedish Institute for Social Research, Stockholm University (2017)
- Expert reviewer, appointment to associate professor (Docent) Ingemar Johansson Sevä, Department of sociology, Umeå University (2016)
- Expert reviewer, appointment to associate professor (Docent) Mikael Rostila, CHES, Stockholm university (2011)
- External reviewer, three positions as lecturer in sociology, University of Gothenburg (2011)
- Member of expert panel, Research Council of Portugal (*Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P.* (FCT), project grants (2017)
- Member of expert panel, Research Council of Norway, research program “*Sykefravær, arbeid og helse*” (2013)
- Member of expert panel, Research Council of Norway, research program “*Independent Projects in the Humanities and Social Sciences (FRIHUMSAM)*” (2013)
- Member of expert panel, Research Council of Norway, research program “*Institusjonsforankrede strategiske prosjekter i sosiologi*” (2012)
- Member of expert panel, Research Council of Norway, research program “*Fri prosjektstøtte i samfunnsvitenskap (FRISAM)*” (2012).
- Member of expert panel, Research Council of Norway, research program “*Program for forskning for velferd, arbeidsliv og migrasjon,*” (2009).

### **Supervising (Ph.D. level)**

- Supervisor Hjrvoje Kap (2015, “Comparative Studies of Vocational Education and Training)
- Assistant supervisor Ingrid Esser (2005, ”Why Work? Comparative Studies on Welfare Regimes and Individuals’ Work Orientations”).
- Assistant supervisor Maria Forslund (ongoing)

### **Teaching**

- 2012- Arbetsorganisation och arbetsmiljö (Work organization and working conditions”). AKPA 2, moment 3. Course director and sole lecturer.
- 2018-19 Arbetsmiljö i nya tider (Working conditions in modern working life). Course organized for TCO. Course director and lecturer.
- 2010-13 Management AKPA 2, moment 4. Course director and sole lecturer.
- 1996-08 Lecturer, undergraduate course in Comparative Sociology, Department of Sociology, Stockholm University (2001-2005 course director for the theory section of the course)
- 2007 Course director and lecturer on the graduate course “Comparative Welfare State Research: theoretical and methodological approaches”

- 2000-03 Course director and sole lecturer on the course 'Survey Methods' for students on the Psychology Program, Department of Sociology, Stockholm University
- 2000 Course director and sole lecturer on the course 'Sociological Methods: Practical applications' for students in Sociology with emphasis on Personnel, administration and Organization Studies
- 1999-00 Lecturer on the course 'An introduction to Sociological Theory' for students on the Psychology Program, Department of Sociology, Stockholm University
- 1999-00 Examiner, undergraduate interim thesis papers for Personnel, Administration and Organization Studies Emphasis in sociology, Department of Sociology, Stockholm University.
- 1996-99 Course in SPSS programming for students writing undergraduate interim thesis in sociology.

### **Prizes**

Superior Contribution to the 1997 conference Toward the advancement of European studies, Institute on Western Europe, Columbia University, USA.