

**Personal information:**

Date of birth: 12/14/1980  
Citizenship: Norwegian  
Permanent resident of the U.S. (green card holder)

**Primary research fields:**

Labor economics; public economics; economic inequality

**Education:**

2005–2008 Ph.D. in Economics, University of Oslo

**Current employment:**

2015– Full professor (with tenure), Department of Economics, University of Chicago

**Other current appointments and affiliations:**

2015– Adjunct Professor, Department of Economics, University of Oslo  
2015– Research Associate at the Population Research Center, University of Chicago  
2014– Faculty Research Fellow, NBER Labor Studies, Public Economics, and Children program  
2013– Research Economist, NBER Disability Research Center  
2012– Adjunct Professor, Department of Economics, University of Bergen  
2011– Research Fellow, Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS), London  
2011– Senior Research Fellow, Research Department, Statistics Norway  
2009– Research Fellow, ESOP center, University of Oslo  
2009– Research Fellow, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn

**Previous employment:**

2014–2015 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Chicago  
2014 Promoted to Full Professor of Economics (with tenure), University College London  
2011–2013 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University College London  
2005–2011 Research Economist, Research Department, Statistics Norway

**Editorial experience:**

2015– Co-editor, Journal of Public Economics  
2015– Foreign editor, Review of Economic Studies  
2015– Board of editors, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy  
2015– Guest editor of special issue on social mobility, Scandinavian Journal of Economics  
2014– Associate editor, Scandinavian Journal of Economics  
2013–2015 Associate editor, Economic Journal

**Awards:**

2015-2017 Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Research Fellowship  
2013 Nominated to the nationwide UK Economics Network Teaching Award  
2011 Sandmo Prize for especially promising Norwegian economist under the age of 40  
2007 US-Norway Fulbright Foundation for Educational Exchange

### **Published and forthcoming articles in academic journals:**

- 1) “What is the Case for Paid Maternity Leave?”  
Co-authors G. Dahl, K. Loken, K. V. Salvanes  
*Forthcoming in Review of Economics and Statistics*
- 2) “The Skill Complementarity of Broadband Internet”  
*Forthcoming in Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Co-authors A. Akerman and I. Gaarder
- 3) “Father Presence and the Intergenerational Transmission of Educational Attainment”  
*Forthcoming in Journal of Human Resources*, Co-authors A. Kalil, M. Rege, and M. Votruba
- 4) “Testing the Quantity-Quality Model of Fertility: Linearity, Marginal Effects, and Total Effects”  
*Forthcoming in Quantitative Economics*, Co-author M. Wiswall
- 5) “Earnings, Income, and Consumption of Allowed and Rejected Disability Insurance Applicants”,  
*American Economic Review, Papers and Proceedings*, 105(5): 137-141, 2015, Co-author A Kostol
- 6) “Labor Income Dynamics and the Insurance from Taxes, Transfers and the Family”,  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 127, 58-73, 2015, Co-authors R. Blundell and M. Graber
- 7) “Inequality in Current and Lifetime Income”,  
*Social Choice and Welfare*, 44(2), 217-230, 2015. Co-author R. Aaberge
- 8) “Is Universal Child Care Leveling the Playing Field?”,  
*Forthcoming in Journal of Public Economics*, Co-author T. Havnes
- 9) “Family Welfare Cultures”,  
*Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 129, 1711-1752, 2014, Co-authors G. Dahl and A. Kostol
- 10) “Peer Effects in Program Participation”,  
*American Economic Review*, 104(7), 2049-2074, 2014, Co-author G. Dahl and K. Loken
- 11) “How Financial Incentives Induce Disability Insurance Recipients to Return to Work”,  
*American Economic Review*, 104(2), 624-55, 2014, Co-author A. Kostøl
- 12) “Broadband Internet: An Information Superhighway to Sex Crime?”,  
*Review of Economic Studies*, 80, 1237-1266, 2013, Co-authors M. Bhuller, T. Havnes, and E. Leuven
- 13) “What Linear Estimators Miss: The Effects of Family Income on Child Outcomes”,  
*American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 4, 1-37, 2012, Co-authors M. Wiswall and K. Løken
- 14) “Older or Wealthier? The Impact of Age Adjustment on Cross-Sectional Inequality Measures”,  
*Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, 114, 24-54, 2012, Co-author I. Almås
- 15) “Are Lone Mothers Responsive to Policy Changes? Evidence from a Workfare Reform in a Generous Welfare State”,  
*Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, 114, 1129-1159, 2012, Co-author C. Pronzato
- 16) “Instrumental Variables Estimation with Partially Missing Instruments”,  
*Economics Letters*, 114, 186-189, 2012, Co-author M. Wiswall
- 17) “Money for Nothing? Universal Child Care and Maternal Employment”,  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 95, 1455-1465, 2011 Co-author T. Havnes
- 18) “No Child Left Behind: Subsidized Child Care and Children’s Long-Run Outcomes”,  
*American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 3, 97-129, 2011, Co-author T. Havnes
- 19) “Measuring Long-Term Inequality of Opportunity”,  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 95, 193-204, 2011, Co-authors R. Aaberge, V. Peragine

- 20) "Baby Booming Inequality? Demographic Change and Inequality in Norway, 1967-2004",  
*Journal of Economic Inequality*, 9, 629-650, 2011, Co-authors I. Almås and T. Havnes
- 21) "Divorced Fathers' Proximity and Child Long Run Outcomes",  
*Demography*, 48, 1005-1027, 2011, Co-authors A. Kalil, M. Rege, M. Votruba
- 22) "Robust Inequality Comparisons",  
*Journal of Economic Inequality*, 9, 353-371, 2011, Co-author R. Aaberge
- 23) "The Distributional Impact of Public Services When Needs Differ",  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 94, 549-562, 2010, Co-authors R. Aaberge, M. Bhuller, A. Langørgen
- 24) "Region-specific versus Country-specific Poverty Lines in Analysis of Poverty"  
*Journal of Economic Inequality*, 5, 115-122, 2007, Co-authors R. Aaberge, A. Langørgen

**(Re)Submitted articles:**

- "Field of Study, Earnings, and Self-Selection",  
Working Paper, 2014, Co-authors L. Kirkeboen and E. Leuven  
*Revision requested by Quarterly Journal of Economics*
- "Beyond LATE with a Discrete Instrument",  
Working Paper, 2014, Co-authors C. Brinch and M. Wiswall  
*2<sup>nd</sup> round of revision requested by Journal of Political Economy*
- "Life Cycle Earnings, Education Premiums and Internal Rate of Returns"  
NBER Working Paper, 2014, Co-authors M. Bhuller and K. Salvanes  
*Revision requested by Journal of Labor Economics*
- "Educational Assortative Mating and Household Income Inequality"  
NBER Working Paper, 2014, Co-authors B. Zafar and L. Eika  
*Revision requested by Journal of Political Economy*
- "Income Mobility as an Equalizer of Permanent Income"  
Working Paper, 2015, Co-author R. Aaberge
- "A Theory for Ranking Distribution Functions"  
Working Paper, 2015, Co-author R. Aaberge and T. Havnes
- "Why do Wealthy Parents Have Wealthy Children?"  
Statistics Norway Discussion Paper, 2015, Co-authors A. Fagereng and M. Ronning

**Work in progress:**

- "International Trade in a Flatter World: The Internet's Impact on Trade Behavior of Firms",  
Co-authors A. Akerman and E. Leuven
- "Disability Receipt, Consumption Insurance, and Family Labor Supply",  
Co-authors D. Autor and A. Kostol
- "How the Internet Changed the Market for Print Media",  
Co-authors M. Bhuller, T. Havnes and J. McCauley.
- "Education, Earnings Dynamics, and Life-Cycle Inequality",  
Co-authors: K. Liu and K. Salvanes
- "Causes and Consequences of Biased Grading in School",  
Co-authors L. Andersland, S. Firpo, K. Salvanes

### **Other publications:**

“Adjusting for age effects in cross-sectional distributions”, *Stata Journal*, 12, 393-405, 2012,  
Co-authors I. Almås and T. Havnes

“Child Care and Child Development: An Economist's View“. In Norwegian Ministry of Education and  
Research (ed.) *Nordic Early Childhood Education and Care*, 24-29, 2011, Co-author T. Havnes

“Comparability of Income Data across Households/Individuals and over Time“. In Eurostat (ed.)  
*Comparative EU Statistics on Income and Living Conditions: Issues and Challenges*, 58-74, 2007,  
Co-authors R. Aaberge, E. Fjærli, and A. Langørgen

### **Research grants:**

- 2015–2018: Norwegian Research Council (240652), Co-investigator, USD 1 Million  
Project title: *The Social Costs of Incarceration*
- 2015: The Andrew and Betsy Rosenfield Program, Becker Friedman Institute,  
Principal Investigator, USD 50,000
- 2015–2017: Norwegian Research Council (237840), Co-investigator, USD 1 Million  
Project title: *Determinants and Outcomes of Field of Study Choices*
- 2013–2017 Norwegian Research Council (227115), Principal Investigator, USD 1.25 Million  
Project title: *Causes and Consequences of the Rise in Disability Insurance Receipt*
- 2013–2016 SSA funded Disability Research Center at NBER, Co-investigator
- 2012–2016 Norwegian Research Council (212305), Principal Investigator, USD 1,17 Million  
Project title: *Early Childhood Education and Care: A Quantitative Research Program*
- 2009–2013 Norwegian Research Council (194339), Principal Investigator, USD 1 Million  
Project title: *Evaluating the Design and Performance of the Welfare State*
- 2009–2013 Norwegian Research Council (194347), Co-investigator, USD 1,67 Million  
Project title: *Early Intervention and Social Mobility*
- 2005–2008 Norwegian Research Council (168287), Co-investigator, USD 1,17 Million  
Project title: *A Research Program for the Study of Welfare Policies*

### **Teaching and advising:**

#### PhD Students (primary supervisor):

- University of Oslo: M. Bhuller (2014, First job: Post-Doc, Univ of Chicago, Dept. of Economics)  
L. Eika (2014, First job: Research Economist, Statistics Norway)
- University of Bergen: A. Kostøl (in progress)

PhD Thesis Examination: University of Stockholm; University of Leuven

#### Teaching:

- 2015– PhD course in Economics of Inequality, Social Mobility, and Evaluation of Social  
Programs (joint with J. Heckman)
- 2011–2013 Lecturer at UCL in [Quantitative Economics and Econometrics](#) (Econ2007);  
[Economic Policy Analysis](#) (Econ3007); [Microeconometrics](#) (Econ3002)
- 2013 Guest lecture on inequality at PhD course (Econ 374), University of Chicago
- 2012 Guest lecture on inequality at PhD Winter School, Canazei
- 2011 PhD short course on Empirical Methods with Treatment Effects Heterogeneity,  
Berlin Doctoral Program in Economics & Management Science

### **Professional and departmental services:**

- 2015 Member of Junior Faculty Recruiting Committee, U Chicago
- 2014– Seminar organizer, U Chicago
- 2013 Seminar organizer, University College London
- 2014 Op-ed columnist at Aftenposten (Norway's leading print newspaper)
- 2012–2015 Member of the scientific program committee for Royal Economic Society Conferences
- 2011 Member of the scientific program committee for EALE

### **Referee assignments:**

American Economic Review; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Journal of Political Economy; Review of Economic Studies; Econometrica; Review of Economics and Statistics; Economic Journal; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; American Economic Journal: Applied Economics; Journal of Labor Economics; Demography; Journal of European Economic Association; European Economic Review; Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Health Economics; Economics of Education Review; Empirical Economics; Journal of Economic Inequality; Economica; Journal of Economic Surveys; Journal of Human Capital; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Labour Economics; Metron International Journal of Statistics; Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics; Review of Income and Wealth; Social Choice and Welfare; Scandinavian Journal of Economics; Journal of Business and Economics Statistics

### **Presentations (past 5 years):**

#### Invited seminars:

- 2015 University of Chicago, Economics Department; Princeton University; University of Toronto; Stanford University; Northwestern University; Harris School, University of Chicago; Duke University;
- 2014 Harvard University; UC Berkeley; RAND; MIT, Cowles, Yale ; UC Davis; Arizona State University; Columbia University; Stanford University, GSB; PUC-Rio; University of Chicago, Economics Department; University of Michigan; New York University; University of Chicago, Booth; Sao Paulo School of Economics; Paris School of Economics; Uppsala University; Università Cattolica, Milano; Rochester University; University Carlos III of Madrid; University of Western Ontario; Microsoft Research, Boston; Autonomous University of Barcelona; DePaul University; Boston College
- 2013 University of Chicago, Economics Department; Brown University; Chicago Federal Reserve Bank; Bocconi University; Stockholm School of Economics; Ente Enaudi Institute; London School of Economics; Queen Mary University; University of Warwick; Helsinki School of Economics; University of Surrey; Institute for Fiscal Studies; Norwegian Business School; University of Sussex; Norwegian School of Economics; University Saint-Louis
- 2012 Johns Hopkins University; UC San Diego; Oxford University; University of Bristol; Lund University; Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA); University of British Columbia; University of Oslo; University of Leuven
- 2011 University of Gothenburg; University of York; Cergy-Pontoise University; University of Texas-Austin; Oxford University; University College London; University of Wisconsin-Madison; Cornell University; University of Stockholm; European University Institute; Norwegian University of Science and Technology; Norwegian School of Economics; New York Federal Reserve Bank

#### Conferences and Workshops:

- 2015 ASSA meeting; NBER Summer Institute, Labor Studies; NBER Summer Institute, Children
- 2014 Workshop on Family Economics, Barcelona; Labor Economics Conference, Bergen; Workshop on Social Mobility, Chicago; Workshop on Labor Economics, Italy

- 2013 NBER Summer Institute, Labor Studies; Workshop on Family Economics, Barcelona; Labor Economics Conference, Austin; Workshop on Family Economics, Stavanger; Workshop on Labor Economics, Bergen; Crime Workshop, UCL
- 2012 Public Economics Workshop, Warwick; University of Chicago Conference on Early Childhood Development; Conference on the Nordic Model, Oslo; Workshop on Family Economics, Bergen
- 2011 Nordic Early Childhood and Care, Oslo (Keynote); Workshop on Family Economics, University of Stockholm; IZA/SOLE Transatlantic Meeting of Labor Economists