

## Current affiliations

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2016 (Aug-): *Junior Fellow*

- WALTER BENJAMIN KOLLEG, UNIVERSITY OF BERN

2016 (March-): *Associated Researcher*

- ZENTRUM MODERNER ORIENT, BERLIN

## Previous post-doctoral affiliations

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2016 (Jan-Feb): *Visiting Research Fellow*

- ZENTRUM MODERNER ORIENT, BERLIN

## Academic degrees

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2010-2015: *PhD in Social Anthropology.*

- SOAS, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

- Dissertation title: 'Revolution, play and feeling: Assembling emotionality, national subjectivity and football in Cairo, 1990-2013'.
- Degree obtained: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015.
- Thesis examined 10<sup>th</sup> of August 2015 by Dr. Walter Armbrust, University of Oxford and Dr. William Rollason, Brunel University London. The result of the examination was an outright pass.
- Conducted fieldwork in Cairo from August 2011 to April 2013.
- Affiliated with the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology and Egyptology at the American University in Cairo, Sept 2011 to Aug 2012.
- Supervised by Dr. Stephen P Hughes.

2008-2009: *MA in Social Anthropology; Migration and Diaspora studies. Distinction (in all courses).*

- SOAS, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

- This Master in social anthropology interrogates questions of migration, mobility and diaspora through an interdisciplinary academic framework, which has anthropology and post-colonial theory at its core, but which also takes sociological, economic and political factors into due consideration.
- Dissertation: 'Real Play: *Suryoye* identity formation in Sweden through the performative space of football'. The dissertation was based on fieldwork among migrant, *Suryoye* football fans in Sweden from the two clubs Assyriska FF and Syrianska FC. The study explored how fandom for these two 'immigrant' clubs contributes to a variety of overlapping processes of identification in the de-territorialized diaspora of Assyrians or Syriacs in Sweden (see also 'Publications').

2001-2007: *MSc in Sociotechnical Systems Engineering. Highest grade in all courses*

- UPPSALA UNIVERSITY, SWEDEN

- With a broad take on technology, this engineering program not only includes thorough mathematical, statistical and technological training, but also courses in social scientific research methods as well as theoretical courses approaching technology and science philosophically, sociologically and historically.
- Dissertation: 'Automatic Feedback Control Applied to Microscopically Simulated Traffic'. The thesis was based on research conducted at the Technical University, Berlin.

2001-2006: *BA. Major: History of Science and Ideas. Highest grade in all courses*

- UPPSALA UNIVERSITY, SWEDEN

- Dissertation: 'Fabricated Delinquents: Nordic thoughts regarding crime and criminality in the rise of positivism'. Taking Michel Foucault's theorizing about criminology, discipline and power as a point of departure, the dissertation explored shifts in the Scandinavian criminological discourse through an extensive study of articles in an academic journal on criminology from the 1870s and the 1890s.

## Prizes

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- Awarded the 2016 BRISMES Leigh Douglas Memorial Prize. The prize is given to the best PhD dissertation on a Middle Easter topic in the Social Science and Humanities awarded by a British University in 2015.

- Awarded the prize for 'Best MA profile' (highest average grade) at the anthropology department at SOAS, University of London 2008-09.

## PhD funding

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- SOAS Research Fellow, 2010-14. Fully-funded scholarship that covered fees and living expenses for three years. At the time given to only four PhD-students in each cohort at SOAS.
- Awarded one writing-up grant from Birgit och Gad Rausing's Stiftelse för Humanistisk forskning.
- Awarded one writing-up grant from Anérstiftelsen.
- Awarded one writing-up grant from Stiftelsen Lars Hiertas Minne.
- Awarded 3 grants from Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse. Two for my fieldwork in Cairo and one for writing-up.
- Awarded 2 grants from SSAG (The Swedish Society for Anthropology and Geography) for parts of my fieldwork in Cairo.
- Awarded one grant from Sixten Gemzéus Stiftelse for parts of my fieldwork in Cairo.
- Awarded SOAS Fieldwork Grant for parts of my fieldwork in Cairo.

## Teaching Experience

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### *2014 DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY, SOAS, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON*

- Graduate Teaching Assistant at the undergraduate course 'Theory in Anthropology' during the spring term.
- Running two weekly tutorials.
- Marking 40 terms essays.

### *2008, 2009-10 MEDIA IMAGES AND THE ARAB WORLD, VARIOUS SWEDISH HIGH SCHOOLS*

- Running a self-designed workshop sponsored by Swedish government bodies (The City of Stockholm and Uppsala County Council) together with my partner Karin Ahlberg
- The aim of the workshop was to challenge stereotypical images and conceptions of Arabs and the Arab world, pointing to a greater variety of images and narratives about Arabs than what is usually given by the media.

### *2007, 2008 INSTITUTE FOR TRANSPORT SYSTEM PLANNING AND TELEMATICS, TU BERLIN*

- Two guest lectures at the course in Traffic Telematics, based on the findings, theories and methods used in my MSc thesis written at the same institute in 2006.

### *2002, 2004, 2005, 2006 DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, UPPSALA UNIVERSITY*

- Junior mathematics teacher.
- Helping first-year students in their basic math's-courses as well as teaching a two-week preparatory course for students about to start their engineering studies.

## Administrative Experience

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### *2015 CO-ORGANISER OF A PANEL AT MESA 2015*

- Together with Karin Ahlberg (SOAS), I co-organised the panel 'Towards an Anthropology of Aftermath – ethnographic perspectives from the MENA region' at MESA 2015, Denver, Colorado, 21-24 November, 2015. The panel included five papers and a discussion by Dr. Samuli Schielke.

### *2014 CO-ORGANISER OF THE SWANA SEMINAR SERIES*

- Together with Karin Ahlberg (SOAS), Philip Proudfoot (LSE) and Alice Elliot (UCL), I co-organise this anthropological seminar series, which includes presentations of research that deals with Southwest Asian and North Africa (SWANA). The seminars took place weekly or bi-weekly at LSE.

### *2012 CO-ORGANISER OF A WORKSHOP AT EASA 2012*

- Together with Karin Ahlberg (SOAS) and Annika Rabo (Stockholm University), I co-organised the workshop 'Living Uncertainty: Navigating grey-zones of unreliable realities in the Middle East' at EASA 2012, Nanterre University, Paris, France 10-13 July, 2012. The workshop included 8 papers. Karin Ahlberg and I made the introductory presentation (see Conference Presentations).

## Other Professional Experience

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### *2007-2008 FREELANCE JOURNALISM, MIDDLE EAST*

- Writing articles about the Middle East in Swedish journals/magazines. Most articles explore the growing Islamist movement from a new perspective using narratology and postcolonial theory in a way people without previous knowledge about such concepts could understand. Also blogging: [www.malstrommen.se](http://www.malstrommen.se).

### *2007 SWEDISH INSTITUTE, ALEXANDRIA*

- Program assistant, two months. Organising, evaluating and reporting from conferences held at the institute (an autonomous part of the Swedish Foreign Service). During the employment, three conferences were held: Peace research, Children's literature in the Arab world and Gender-based violence.

### *2008, 2006-2007 TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITÄT, BERLIN*

- Research assistant. Running two self-designed research projects related to automatic feedback control: one related to traffic and one to stock market. Both under the supervision of Prof. Kai Nagel.

## Languages

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- Swedish: Mother tongue
- English: Fluent
- German: Almost fluent
- Egyptian Arabic: Almost fluent
- Modern Standard Arabic: Excellent command