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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm University

Postdoctoral researcher

2025–present

EARLIER ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm University

Doctoral student

2020–2025

Institute for Housing and Urban Research, Uppsala University

Research assistant

2018

ACADEMIC DEGREES

PhD, Sociology, Stockholm University

2025

MA, Sociology, Stockholm University

2018

BA, Sociology, Stockholm University

2016

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTERS AND ARTICLES

Bihagen, E., Halldén, K., Shahbazian, R., Syk, E., & Westerman, J. (2026). Anställningstider i Sverige från 1960-talet fram till i dag. In K. Boye & J. Westerman (Eds.), *Välfärd och livsvillkor: Perspektiv på samtida samhällsbilder*. Liber.

Bihagen, E., Härkönen, J., Shahbazian, R., & Syk, E. (2026). Kvinnors och mäns karriärer för generationer födda från 1930-talet till 90-talet. In K. Boye & J. Westerman (Eds.), *Välfärd och livsvillkor: Perspektiv på samtida samhällsbilder*. Liber.

Halldén, K., Syk, E., & Westerman, J. (2026). Arbetskvalitet och psykisk ohälsa i arbetsmarknadens utkanter. In K. Boye & J. Westerman (Eds.), *Välfärd och livsvillkor: Perspektiv på samtida samhällsbilder*. Liber.

Westerman, J., Andersson, A. B., & Syk, E. (2026). Towards a refined measure of occupational skill requirements. In M. Tählin (Ed.), *Understanding work-life inequality* (pp. 38–57). Edward Elgar Publishing.

Westerman, J., & Syk, E. (2023). Skills and structural change. In M. Tählin (Ed.), *A Research Agenda for Skills and Inequality* (pp. 51–63). Edward Elgar Publishing.

Syk, E. (2022). Development of job quality in Sweden 1968–2010. *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, 82, 100745. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rssm.2022.100745>

PREPRINTS

Shahbazian, R., Bihagen, E., & Syk, E. (2026). Moving Targets? Life-Course Dynamics in Intergenerational Mobility. In *SocArXiv*. https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/cj2by_v1

Syk, E. (2026). Cumulative Advantage in Job Quality: Career Trajectories and Inequality in Sweden, 1968–2022. In *SocArXiv*. https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/ajpfh_v1

Syk, E., Thaning, M., & Nieuwenhuis, R. (2025). Intergenerational Inequalities in Economic Volatility. In *SocArXiv*. https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/jvd4e_v1

Syk, E., Westerman, J., & Halldén, K. (2025). Peripheral Labor Market Status and Job Quality in the Swedish Labor Market 1968–2020. In *SocArXiv*. https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/vs549_v1

DISSERTATION

Syk, E. (2025). *Quantifying (In)equality: Job Quality over Half a Century in Sweden and Europe* [Doctoral dissertation, Stockholm University].

ONGOING WORK

PAPERS

Bihagen, E., Härkönen, J., Shahbazian, R., & Syk, E. *Do Occupational Scales Tell the Same Story? Evidence from Gendered Career Trajectories Across Cohorts in Sweden*.

Syk, E. *Class Inequality in Non-Monetary Job Quality: 20 Years of Evidence from Europe*.

Syk, E. *On the Measurement and Conceptualization of Job Quality: The Person-Position Distinction and the Case Against Wages*.

Syk, E., & Shahbazian, R. *Class or Character: Big Five Personality Traits as Predictors of Social Stratification and Mobility Outcomes*.

Syk, E., Thaning, M., & Molinder, J. *Stratification and Inequality: A Century of Social Class and Earnings Disparities in Sweden*.

CHAPTERS

CONFERENCES AND TALKS

Moving targets: Measuring intergenerational mobility when occupational maturity is violated
ISA-RC28 Spring Meeting, Pablo de Olavide University, Seville 2026

Uppsala Economy and Society Lab (UESL), Uppsala University 2026

Mode and incentive experiments in the Swedish Level of Living Survey
The Future of Life Course Surveying workshop, LIfBi, Bamberg 2025

Precarious careers in Sweden: Longitudinal data needs
The Future of Life Course Surveying workshop, LIfBi, Bamberg 2025

Intergenerational Inequalities in Economic Volatility
Inequalities in Working Life Workshop, UCLS, Uppsala University 2025

Stratification and Inequality: A Century of Social Class and Earnings Disparities in Sweden
Social Class Analysis in the Digital Age Workshop, Seville, Joint Research Centre 2023

Inequalities in Working Life Workshop, UCLS, Uppsala University 2023

Peripheral Labor Market Status and Job Quality in the Swedish Labor Market 1968–2020
Swedish ESPAnet Höstmötet 2023

TEACHING

UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING

Quantitative Methods II, Stockholm University 2021

OTHER

Reviewed for *European Sociological Review*, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*

LANGUAGES

Swedish (native), English (fluent)

REFERENCES

Available upon request