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WORK EXPERIENCE

Department of Political Science at the University of Gothenburg <i>Researcher</i>	Gothenburg, Sweden <i>Jan 2016—currently</i>
Department of Political Science at the University of Gothenburg <i>Postdoctoral researcher</i>	Gothenburg, Sweden <i>Jan 2014—Dec 2015</i>
Department of Political Science at Lund University <i>Temporary Assistant Professor</i>	Lund, Sweden <i>Mar 2012—Dec 2013</i>
Department of Political Science at Stony Brook University <i>PhD Student and Instructor</i>	Stony Brook, USA <i>Aug 2005—May 2011</i>
Center for Survey Research at Stony Brook University <i>Statistician and Programmer of Telephone and Web Surveys</i>	Stony Brook, USA <i>Aug 2006—May 2011</i>

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Esaiasson, P., Lajevardi, N. & **Sohlberg, J.** (ND). “Reject, Limbo, and Accept: The Effect of Migration Decisions on Asylum Seekers.” Accepted for publication. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. doi: 10.1080/1369183X.2022.2042222
- Dinesen, P.T., Sønderkov, K.M., **Sohlberg, J.** & Esaiasson, P. (ND). “Close (Causally Connected) Cousins? Evidence on the Causal Relationship between Political Trust and Social Trust” Accepted for publication. *Public Opinion Quarterly*.
- Johansson, B., **Sohlberg, J.**, Esaiasson, P. & Gherseti, M. (2021). “Why Swedes Don’t Wear Face Masks During the Pandemic: A Consequence of Blindly Trusting the Government.” *Journal of International Crisis and Risk Communication Research*. 4(2): 335-358. doi: [10.30658/jicrcr.4.2.6](https://doi.org/10.30658/jicrcr.4.2.6)
- Agerberg, M. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2021). “Personal Proximity and Reactions to Terrorism.” *Comparative Political Studies*. doi: [10.1177/0010414021997162](https://doi.org/10.1177/0010414021997162)
- Esaiasson, P., **Sohlberg, J.**, Gherseti, M. & Johansson, B. (2021). “How the Coronavirus Crisis Affects Citizen Trust in Government Institutions and in Unknown Others: Evidence From ‘the Swedish experiment’” *European Journal of Political Research*. 60(3): 748–760. doi: [10.1111/1475-6765.12419](https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6765.12419)
- Sohlberg, J.** & Branham, J. A. (2020). “Just a Difficult Election to Poll? How Context Affects Polling Accuracy.” *Survey Methods: Insights from the Field*. doi: [10.13094/SMIF-2020-00013](https://doi.org/10.13094/SMIF-2020-00013)

- Sohlberg, J.** & Fredén, A. (2020). “The Electoral Choices of Voters with Coalition-Straddling Consideration Sets.” *Social Science Quarterly*. 101(4): 1303–1313. doi: [10.1111/ssqu.12813](https://doi.org/10.1111/ssqu.12813)
- Sohlberg, J.**, Johansson, B. & Esaiasson, P. (2020). “Did It Really Happen? How the Public Interprets Journalistic Disclaimers.” *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly*. 97(4): 936–957. doi: [10.1177/1077699020910116](https://doi.org/10.1177/1077699020910116)
- Sohlberg, J.** (2019). “Elections Are (Not) Exciting: Need for Cognition and Electoral Behaviour.” *Scandinavian Political Studies*. 42(2): 138–150. doi: [10.1111/1467-9477.12138](https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-9477.12138)
- Fredén, A. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2019). “Insurance Strategic Considerations in Coalition-Oriented Systems: A Consideration Set Model Approach.” *Electoral Studies*. 57: 302–308. doi: [10.1016/j.electstud.2018.08.008](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2018.08.008)
- Sohlberg, J.**, Esaiasson, P. & Martinsson, J. (2019). “The Changing Political Impact of Compassion-Evoking Pictures: The Case of the Drowned Toddler Alan Kurdi.” *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. 45(13): 2275–2288. doi: [10.1080/1369183X.2018.1538773](https://doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2018.1538773)
- Sohlberg, J.**, Gilljam, M. & Martinsson, J. (2017). “Determinants of Polling Accuracy: The Effect of Opt-In Internet Surveys.” *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*. 27(4): 433–447. doi: [10.1080/17457289.2017.1300588](https://doi.org/10.1080/17457289.2017.1300588)
- Sohlberg, J.** (2017). “The Effect of Elite Polarization: A Comparative Perspective on How Party Elites Influence Attitudes and Behavior on Climate Change in the European Union.” *Sustainability*. 9(1), 39: 1–13. doi: [10.3390/su9010039](https://doi.org/10.3390/su9010039)
- Harring, N. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2017). “The Varying Effects of Left-Right Ideology on Support for the Environment: Evidence from a Swedish Survey Experiment.” *Environmental Politics*. 26(2): 278–300. doi: [10.1080/09644016.2016.1244965](https://doi.org/10.1080/09644016.2016.1244965)
- Sohlberg, J.** (2016). “Thinking Matters: The Validity and Political Relevance of Need for Cognition.” *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*. 28(3): 428–439. doi: [10.1093/ijpor/edv023](https://doi.org/10.1093/ijpor/edv023)

BOOK CHAPTERS AND REPORTS

- Sohlberg, J.** (2022). “The Democratic Gold-Standard of Fact-Based Issue Ambivalence.” In *Knowledge Resistance in High-Choice Information Environments*, edited by Strömbäck, J., Wikforss, Å., Lindholm, T., Oscarsson, H. & Glüer, K. London: Routledge. (Scheduled release: May 25, 2022)
- Johansson, B., Esaiasson, P., Ghersetti, M. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2020). *Berättar de verkligen allt de vet? Allmänhetens syn på myndigheternas kriskommunikation*. The SOM Institute, University of Gothenburg.
- Esaiasson, P., Johansson, B., Ghersetti, M. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2020). *Kriskommunikation och segregation i en pandemi: Hur boende i utsatta områden informerades om coronaviruset våren 2020*. The Department of Journalism, Media and Communication, University of Gothenburg. Report 84.
- Sohlberg, J.** & Johansson, B. (2020). *Uppgifterna om det misstänkta knivdådet är ännu osäkra*. The Department of Journalism, Media and Communication, University of Gothenburg. Report 82.
- Esaiasson, P. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2018). *Asylsökandes möte med Sverige: Lärdomar från en panelundersökning*. The Migration Studies Delegation (Delmi). ISBN: 978-91-88021-34-2

Sohlberg, J. (2018). ”Opinionen kring nyhetsrapporteringen av terrordådet i Stockholm 2017.” In *”Allt tyder på ett terrordåd”*: Stockholmsattentatet 2017 i medier och opinion, edited by Johansson, B. & Truedson, L. ISBN 978-91-983566-6-3

Sohlberg, J., Johansson, B. & Esaiasson, P. (2018). ”Uppgifter om en knivattack’: Allmänhetens förståelse av journalistiska osäkerhetsmarkörer under ett terrorattentat.” In *”Allt tyder på ett terrordåd”*: Stockholmsattentatet 2017 i medier och opinion, edited by Johansson, B. & Truedson, L. ISBN 978-91-983566-6-3

Esaiasson, P., Martinsson, J. & **Sohlberg, J.**, (2016). *Flyktningkrisen och medborgarnas förtroende för samhällets institutioner – en forskarrapport*. Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB). ISBN 978-91-7383-690-6

Harring, N. & **Sohlberg, J.** (2015). ”Vänster och höger i den svenska miljö- och klimatopinionen.” In *Fragment*, edited by Bergström, A., Johansson, B., Oscarsson, H. & Oskarson, M. ISBN 978-91-89673-32-8

GRANTS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Research grant (3 000 000 SEK) from Framtiden and the subsidiary public housing companies Bostadsbolaget, Familjebostäder and Poseidon for the project *Improved Household Waste Management*. The aim is to systematically measure household waste management in disadvantaged neighborhoods and study the effects of interventions. With Peter Esaiasson (PI). 2021–2023.

Research grant (50 400 000 SEK) from The Swedish Foundation for Humanities and Social Sciences (RJ) for studying knowledge resistance. With Åsa Wikforss (overall PI), Henrik Ekengren Oscarsson, Jesper Strömbäck, Torun Lindholm and others. 2019–2024.

Research grant (9 500 000 NOK) from NordForsk for studying reactions and policy responses to terrorist attacks in the Nordic countries. With Dag Arne Christensen (overall PI) and others. PI for the Swedish part. 2018–2021.

Research grant (3 500 000 SEK) from the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (FORTE) for studying political attitudes and behavior of residents living in disadvantaged neighborhoods. With Peter Esaiasson (PI). 2018–2020.

Research grant (12 900 000 SEK) from the Swedish Civil Contingency Agency (MSB) for studying crisis communication and trust. With Bengt Johansson (PI), Monika Djerf-Pierre, Tomas Odén, Marina Ghersetti, Orla Vigsö and Peter Esaiasson. 2017–2022.

Research grant (800 000 SEK) from the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (FORTE) for exploring possibilities in recruiting residents living in disadvantaged neighborhoods to a web-panel. With Peter Esaiasson (PI). 2017.

Research grant (1 600 000 SEK) from the Migration Studies Delegation (DELM) for studying the dynamics of political attitudes among asylum seekers. With Peter Esaiasson (PI). 2016–2017.

The Fulbright Scholarship for Graduate Studies in the United States. 2005–2006.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Gothenburg

Public Opinion and Political Behavior (SK30001) FA21.
Citizens, Politicians and the Media (SF2222) SP14.
Applied Statistical Analysis (SF2321) FA17.
The Politics of Crisis Communication (MK2202) SP20, SP21.
Democracy in Theory and Practice (SK1213) SP14, FA14, SP15, FA15, SP16.
Research Methods in Political Science (SK1313) SP16, SP17.
Research Methods for Teachers (LGSH65) SP16, FA17, FA19, FA20, FA21.
Thematic Specialization (SK1223) FA16.
Advising of a doctoral student.
Theses supervision.
Total hours: 1606 (includes teaching, prep, grading, admin).

Lund University

Political Psychology (PhD course) FA13.
American Government (STVK02) FA12.
Research Methods in Political Science (STVA22) FA12.
Research Methods in Peace and Conflict Studies (FKVK02) SP13.
International Politics (STVA12) SP12, FA12, SP13.
Wars of the Past and Today (FKVA12) FA12, SP13.
Theses supervision.
Total hours: 1852 (includes teaching, prep, grading, admin).

Stony Brook University

Directed Research (POL 487) SP09, SP10, SU10.
U.S. Foreign Policy (POL 336) SU09.
The Social Survey in Contemporary Society (POL 351) SP08.
Introduction to American Government and Politics (POL 102) WI10, SU10, FA10, WI11, SP11.
Introduction to Comparative Politics (POL 103) FA10.
Total hours: 1750 (includes teaching, prep, grading, admin).

EDUCATION

Stony Brook University

Ph.D. (2011), Department of Political Science. Examination Fields: Political Psychology, American Politics and Political Methodology. Dissertation Committee: Leonie Huddy (Advisor), Stanley Feldman, Gallya Lahav and Michael X. Delli Carpini (Outside Reader); Dissertation Title: Party Identification, Values, Risk Perceptions and Public Opinion on Climate Change

Uppsala University

One-year Master in Peace and Conflict Studies, 2005
One-year Master in American Studies, 2004
B.A. in Social Sciences, 2003

ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND SKILLS

Pedagogical Courses

Learning and Teaching in Higher Education: An Introduction (CED 1) at Lund University

Learning and Teaching in Higher Education: Continuation (CED 2) at Lund University

Supervision in Postgraduate Programmes (HPE201) at the University of Gothenburg

Computer Software Skills

LaTeX, Mplus, MS Office, Qualtrics, Stata, SPSS

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Position: Associate Editor for Political Psychology, 2015–2017

Anonymous Reviewer: American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, European Journal of Political Research, European Sociological Review, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly, Political Behavior, Political Psychology, Public Opinion Quarterly

PUBLIC OUTREACH (SELECTION)

DN Debatt (Dagens Nyheter) ”[Tilltron till myndigheter ökade under coronakrisen](#)”

SvD Debatt (Svenska Dagbladet) ”[Erfarenheten att söka asyl förfärlig](#)”

DN Debatt (Dagens Nyheter) ”[Synen på flyktingpolitik styr förtroendet för samhället](#)”

Presentation at the Committee on the Constitution: ”[Forskarhearing om nya svenskar och demokratin](#)”

Blog post at Politologerna: ”[Politik är lättare om man gillar att tänka](#)”

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Between 2016 and 2018, supervisor of research assistants at University of Gothenburg’s political science department. Duties involved salary negotiations.

Member of the Work Environment Committee between 2016 and 2018. Conducted two psychosocial work environment surveys at the Department of Political Science at the University of Gothenburg.

During the 2012 U.S. Presidential Election, led the organization of an election night at the political science department at Lund University. The evening included multiple lectures, seminars and other events. Around 400-500 students attended.

LEAVE

Sick leave: *Sep 2018–Mar 2019 (full-time), Apr 2019–May 2019 (part-time)*

Parental leave: *Apr 2017–Aug 2017 (full-time), Sep 2013–Dec 2013 (full-time), Jan 2017–Apr 2017 (part-time)*