

Julie Bennett

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EDUCATION

My combination of upper-level education in Sweden and the US has enhanced my analytical thinking through diverse theoretical and methodological reasoning and application. By analyzing complex questions within fields such as development cooperation and conflict resolution through fieldwork, report writing, and intercultural collaboration, my education has prepared me for conducting multi-level analyses of and project planning for current social phenomena.

PhD Researcher, Environmental Social Sciences

Sept. 2021- present

University of Gothenburg, Sweden

This position is in partnership with the research school at Centre for Sea and Society in Gothenburg and the Department of Global Studies. My research focuses on analyzing the governance mechanisms that go into social-ecological transformation on the Swedish West coast. Research methods include in-depth interviews, policy analysis, and stakeholder workshops.

Master of Science in Global Studies

Sept. 2017- Nov. 2019

University of Gothenburg, Sweden

Thesis: *Using Conservation Conflict Transformation as a Framework to Address Social Conflict Over Wildlife in a Swedish County*

My thesis included a theoretical testing of a conflict theory to Swedish wildlife management in Västra Götalands län. I conducted, transcribed, and analyzed qualitative interviews with wildlife management delegations, County Administrative Boards (Länsstyrelsen Västra Götaland), and the Swedish EPA (Naturvårdsverket). This experience improved my ability to critically analyze complex and controversial issues and increased my understanding of Swedish wildlife policy and how it is experienced in practice.

Master of Science in Peace and Development Work

Sept. 2015- Jun. 2016

Linnaeus University, Växjö, Sweden

Thesis: *Bridging the Gaps: A Field Study on the Impact of Societal Gaps on Livelihoods in Lichinga Municipality, Mozambique*

My thesis included a 6-week field study in Mozambique together with another student and a supervisor. We conducted 50 qualitative interviews with families, village leadership, non-profits, the governor, and municipal authorities. This experience taught me how to adapt to sensitive, unique, and difficult situations, as well as practical tools for project evaluations.

Bachelor of Arts, Honors College in Global Studies and German

Aug. 2011- May 2015

Barrett Honors College at Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

GPA 3.7

Thesis: *Dynamics of Literacy and Community Among Latino Families*

RESEARCH AND TEACHING

Lecturer: *Global Studies: Key Concepts* (BA level), Dept. Global Studies, GU

Spring/22, Fall/22 & Spring/23

Lecturer: *Blue economy and sustainable use of marine resources* (MA level), Dept. Marine Sciences, GU

Fall/23

Teacher: *Methodology in Global Studies* (BA level), Dept. Global Studies

Fall/22, Spring/23, Fall/23

Teacher: *Education for Sustainable Development* (online MA), Dept. Education

Fall/22, Spring/23, Fall/23, Spring/24

Supervision: 3 BA students in Global Studies, 1 BA in Human Ecology

Fall/22 – Spring/24

2 MA students in Education for Sustainable Development (**co-supervised**)

Research Assistant, Umeå University, Umeå, Sweden

June-July 2021

- Contributed to analysis and report writing of 4 reports on the county and national level by SLU on Swedish attitudes towards large carnivores, hunting, and nature within a project financed by the Swedish EPA.

Research Assistant, Gothenburg Research Institute, Gothenburg, Sweden

Sept. 2018- May 2021

- Assisted in writing and developing research proposal approved by Swedish Research Council *Formas*, 2022: Wolf conflicts: Optimizing socio-ecological sustainability in large carnivore management. 3 mSEK. Principal investigator, Annelie Sjölander-Lindqvist.
- Conducted over 60 survey and in-depth interviews on phone and in the field and contributed to the analysis and previous research in final report to Swedish EPA about psychosocial and socioeconomic consequences of living close to large carnivores in 3 Swedish regions (final submission in March 2021).
- Quantitative analysis using SPSS of collected survey data (n=115).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Assistant Therapist, Lillgården Ungdomshem, Gryning Vård AB, Gothenburg, Sweden

Apr. 2018- July 2020

- Responsible for creating a safe environment for 15-20-year-olds by maintaining clear routines and being a stable adult to interact with in the home.
- Communicate with other therapists through daily handoffs, record client observations in daily journal entries, as well as communicate with authorities and parents/guardians of youth in situations often requiring quick problem-solving.

Intern, Natural Resource Department, FCG Sweden AB (Consulting Firm), Stockholm, Sweden

Feb. 2019- Jun. 2019

- Assisted with writing and assembling EU/Sida/Dania tenders.
- Created a country map outlining Sida's Human Rights Based Approach strategies as part of an FCG evaluation.
- Assisted with business development and project management to draft strategies for FCG with focus on climate change sector.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- English- mother tongue
- Swedish- Very good ability in speaking, reading and writing (SAS 2 from Komvux, Gothenburg, *December 2020*)
- German- Good ability in speaking, reading and writing

ORGANIZATION AND JOB-RELATED SKILLS

- Good knowledge of Microsoft Office Packet (ex. Word, PowerPoint, Excel)
- Good knowledge of NVivo qualitative data software program
- Trained facilitator (methods and approaches related to stakeholder participation)

PRESENTATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

Society for Applied Anthropology (digital, March 2021): Title: *Living Near Large Carnivores - Contextualizing Swedish Farmers' Risk Management Strategies in the Landscape of Rural Livelihoods*

Pathways Europe: Human Dimensions of Fisheries and Wildlife in Goslar, Germany (September 2018): Title: *Why Participate? Stakeholder Perspectives and Interpretations*

PUBLICATIONS

Dressel, S., Sandström, C., **Bennett, J.**, Ericsson, G. (2021). *En attitydundersökning om djur och natur i Jämtland*. Umeå, Sweden: Institutionen för vilt, fisk och miljö, Sveriges lantbruksuniversitet.

- *En attitydundersökning om djur och natur i Norrbotten.*
- *En attitydundersökning om djur och natur i Västerbotten.*
- *En attitydundersökning om stora rovdjur och rovdjursförvaltning.*

Sjölander-Lindqvist, A., Larsson, S., **Bennett, J.** (2021). *Att leva nära stora rovdjur: perspektiv på psykosociala och socioekonomiska konsekvenser*. Naturvårdsverket.

Bennett, J., Sjölander-Lindqvist A., Sandström C. and Larsson S. (2022). *Addressing the Swedish Large Carnivore Controversy: Identifying Roadblocks in Collaborative Governance to Reduce Conflict*. *Front. Conserv. Sci.* 3:952242.

Larsson, S, Larsson, S., **Bennett, J.** and Sjölander-Lindqvist, A. (2022). *Contextualizing negative attitudes to wildlife and wildlife governance in the moral economy of Swedish farmers*. *Front. in Conserv. Sci.* 3. 10.3389/fcosc.2022.1014769.

PEER REVIEWER

Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences