

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### ERIK OLSSON

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## EDUCATION

PhD in Political Science, Boston University (2015-present)

Dissertation: “Designing Money: Culture and the Political Construction of Monetary Regimes in England and Sweden”

MSc in Political Science, Uppsala University (2013-2015)

Thesis: “Europe and the Roma: Representations of ‘Europe’ in EU’s Roma Policy”

BSc in Economics, Uppsala University (2009-2013)

BSc in Political Science, Uppsala University (2009-2013)

### *Additional academic training*

Text-as-data in R, Institute for Social Science Research Methodology Workshop, University of Massachusetts Amherst (2020)

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Scholars Program, Boston University Center for Teaching and Learning (2018-2019)

Political Networks Workshop (advanced track), 11th Annual Political Networks Conference & Workshops, George Mason University (2018)

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Methods Research, Syracuse University (2017)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

PhD dissertation: “Designing Money: Culture and the Political Construction of Monetary Regimes in England and Sweden”

Drawing on historical literary works and archival records, the dissertation tests the thesis that early 20<sup>th</sup>-century monetary regimes in England and Sweden were shaped by cultural and political debates over the meaning of money and the proper role of money in society.

Focusing on key moments of monetary disruption and reform, the dissertation explores the political-cultural underpinnings of money and shows how concerns about social order have profoundly influenced the design of modern monetary systems.

*Committee:* Cathie Jo Martin (Chair), Vivien Schmidt, and Sofia Perez.

Research Assistant, Professor Cathie Jo Martin, Boston University (2018, 2020)

Created and analyzed a digital corpus of Swedish fiction spanning the period from 1700 to 1920 to study representations of labor and their influence on industrial relations systems.

This resulted in a co-authored publication and conference paper.

PhD Qualifying Paper (2018): “The International Structure of the Global FDI Network”  
Characterized the international network of foreign direct investment flows. Received a fellowship to present a poster at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Political Networks Conference.

Internship, Institute for Security and Development Policy, Stockholm (2015)  
Gathered news on political developments in Myanmar and compiled these into weekly newsletters. Assisted in the organization of meetings and an institute-sponsored conference.

Master’s thesis (2015): “Europe and the Roma: Representations of ‘Europe’ in EU’s Roma Policy”

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### *Course instructor (Boston University)*

International Political Economy (PO329/IR390) (Summer 2017, Summer 2018)

Seminar in International Politics, Boston University Summer Challenge Program for High School Students (Summer 2017)

### *Teaching fellow (Boston University)*

Introduction to Political Theory (PO191) (Spring 2017, Spring 2019)

History of American Foreign Relations since 1898 (PO381/IR376/HI287) (Fall 2018)

Introduction to International Relations (PO171/IR271) (Fall 2016, Fall 2017)

## **PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

“Cultural images of Labor Conflict and Coordination: Literature and the Evolution of Industrial Relations Systems” (with Cathie Jo Martin and Dennie Oude Nijhuis). *Under review.*

“Culture, Coordination and Liberalism: Industrial Relations and the Cultural Constraint” (with Cathie Jo Martin and Dennie Oude Nijhuis). Presented by co-author Cathie Jo Martin at the 2019 Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association\* and at the 2019 International Conference for Europeanists.

\*Awarded the 2020 Dorothy Day Award for Outstanding Labor Research from the American Political Science Association.

“The International Structure of the Global FDI Network” Poster presented at the 11th Annual Political Networks Conference (2018).

## **AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

2020 Dorothy Day Award for Outstanding Labor Research

Awarded by the American Political Science Association for the co-authored conference paper “Culture, Coordination and Liberalism: Industrial Relations & the Cultural Constraint”.

Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship, Boston University (2019)

Awarded to select graduate students to support a semester of foreign-based field or archival research.

Political Networks Conference Fellowship (2018)

Awarded to meritorious applicants for travel, lodging, and conference registration.

Dean's Fellowship, Boston University (2015-2016)

Malin and Ivar Hallberg scholarship, Uppsala University (2014-2015)

Uddeholm AB scholarship (2012-2014, 2015)

## **ACADEMIC SERVICES**

Organizing Committee, The Fourth Nordic Challenges Conference, Boston University  
(postponed to 2021)

Graduate Student Organizer, Research in Comparative Politics Workshop, Boston University  
(2018-2019)

## **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Comparative political economy

International political economy

Political sociology and political culture

European politics

Critical thinking and writing in the social sciences

Qualitative methods

## **LANGUAGES**

Swedish (native), English (fluent)