

Curriculum Vitae
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Formal Education

2012-2014 Master of Science in Sociology, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim
2009-2012 Bachelor in Social Science, specializing in Sociology, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim

Employment record

2020-d.d. PhD-student / Researcher III, Ruralis – Institute for Rural and Regional Research.
2017-2020 Researcher III, Ruralis – Institute for Rural and Regional Research
2015-2017 Research assistant, Ruralis – Institute for Rural and Regional Research
2015-2015 Consultant, Sosiologisk poliklinikk.

Publications

Peer reviewed papers and book chapters

1. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, and Rye, J.F. (2023). Spatial inequality in higher education. A growing urban-rural educational gap? (*Submitted*).
2. Heggem, R., Gjøsund, G., **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Brigham, M. (2023). Overweight children in rural Norway – public health nurses' possibilities and limitations within national guidelines. *Rural and Remote Health* (*Accepted, not published*).
3. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2023). 'Ulikhet i høyere utdanning i Norge. Betydningen av klassebakgrunn, kjønn og bosted' [Inequality in higher education in Norway. The importance of class, gender and place] in Villa, Valestrand og Rye (Ed.) *Migrasjon og Mobilitet*. Oslo: Cappelen Damm (*forthcoming spring 2023*).
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5. Farstad, M., and **Zahl-Thanem, A** (2021). Social transparency in rural areas in Norway: Promoting or restraining the desire to stay? *European Countryside*. 59(4). Doi: 10.1111/soru.12251
6. Kragt, M.E., Burton, R. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, and Otte, P. P (2021). Farmers' interest in crowdfunding to finance climate change mitigation practices. *Journal of Cleaner Production*. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jclepro.2021.128967>
7. Heggem, R. and **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2021). Overweight and obesity among children in rural areas: The importance of culture. *Scandinavian Journal of Public Health*. Doi: 10.1177/14034948211037877
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10. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, and Haugen, M.S. (2019): Attitudes toward immigrants in rural Norway. A rural-urban comparison. *Sociologia Ruralis*, 59: 685-700. DOI: 10.1111/soru.12251

Reports and other publications

1. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** og Melås, A.: Trender i norsk landbruk 2022. En nasjonal spørreundersøkelse blant bønder i Norge. R 10/22.
2. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** og Stræte, E.P. (2022). Trender i norsk landbruk 2022. Regional rapport for Møre og Romsdal. [Trends in Norwegian Agriculture 2022. Regional report for Møre og Romsdal]. R-6/22, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
3. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Ersfjord, E., Gjøsund, G., Heggem, R., Oldervoll, L., Plasil, L., og Brigham, M. (2022). Kommunetilpasset forebygging og behandling – Overvekt og fedme blant bygdebarn. Sluttrapport. [Municipality-adapted prevention and treatment – Obesity and overweight among rural children]. R-3/22, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
4. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Farstad, M., and Blekesaune, A., (2021). Lokalsamfunnsundersøkelsen 2021. Dokumentasjonsrapport med frekvenser [The local community survey 2021. Documentation report with frequencies]. R-8/21, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
5. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, and A. Melås (2020): Trender i norsk landbruk 2020. [Trends in Norwegian Agriculture 2020]. R-2/20, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
6. Otte, P., **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Hansen, S., and N. Mæhle (2019): Norwegian farmers' willingness to participate in a local climate crowdfunding program – results from a national survey. R-5/19, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
7. Forbord, M., and **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2019): Bønders opplevelse av spredte jordbruksarealer. Resultater fra en spørreundersøkelse [Farmers' experiences of scattered agricultural land]. R-1/19, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
8. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Fuglestad, E. M., Vik, J. (2018): Trender i norsk landbruk 2018. Et landbruk i endring. [Trends in Norwegian Agriculture 2018]. R-7/18, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
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10. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** og Flemsæter, F. (2018): Lokalbefolkingen rundt Dovrefjell og Sunndalsfjella – Betydningen av fjellområdet og holdninger til forvaltningen. [The importance of the mountain area Dovrefjell and Sunndalsfjella for locals] R-3/18, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
11. Heggem, R., Brigham, A. M. og **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2017): Overvekt blant bygdebarn – årsaker og forebygging. En forprosjektrapport. [Overweight among rural children – causes and preventions]. R-7/17, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
12. Vik, J., **Zahl-Thanem, A.** og Almaas, H. (2017): Virksomme virkemidler? En analyse av budsjettstøtte og oppnåelse av politiske mål for jordbruket. [An analysis of budget support and the achievement of political goals for agriculture]. R-9/17, ISSN 1503-2035, Ruralis.
13. Gundersen, V., Strand, O., Flemsæter, F., Nerhoel, I., **Thanem, A.** og Wold, L. C. (2017): Kunnskapsgrunnlag om ulike scenarier for Snøheimvegen. [Knowledge for different scenarios for "Snøheimvegen"]. ISSN 1503-3312, NINA.
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16. Heggem, R. og **Thanem, A.** (2016): Trender i norsk landbruk 2016, frekvensrapport. R-5/16, [Trends in Norwegian Agriculture 2016]. ISSN 1503-2035, Norwegian centre for Rural Research.
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17. Brigham, A. M. og **Thanem, A.** (2015): Evaluering av Utviklingsprosjektet i Ørland og Bjugn. [Evaluation of the Development project in Ørland and Bjugn]. R-6/15, ISSN 1503-2035, Norwegian centre for Rural Research.
18. **Thanem, A.** (2014): *Nyhetsmedier og innvandrere: En kvantitativ studie av nordmenns uttrykte følelser til innvandrere fra land sør i Asia og i Midtøsten* (Masteroppgave). [News media and immigrants: A quantitative study of Norwegians feelings towards immigrants from countries in south Asia and middle east (Master Thesis)]. Institutt for sosiologi og statsvitenskap, NTNU, Trondheim.

Conference papers, posters and other presentations

1. **Zahl-Thanem, A:** Trender i norsk landbruk: Møre og Romsdal. [Trends in Norwegian Agriculture: Møre & Romsdal]. Presentation at consultation seminar for new county strategy for agriculture in Møre og Romsdal. Molde, 1/9-2022.
2. Heggem, R., Gjøsund, G., and **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2021): Overvekt og fedme blant bygdebarn: Barrierer og muligheter for helsepsykepleiere som jobber på landsbygda [Overweight and obesity among rural children: Barriers and opportunities for health nurses working with children in rural areas]. Folkehelsekonferansen. October 2021, Trondheim, Norway.
3. Rønningen, K., and **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2021): "Are grazing practices in the outfields sustainable? Mental health pressures in carnivore affected areas". Nordic meeting on agricultural occupational health and safety. September 2021, Skjælein, Norway.
4. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2020): «Psykisk helse blant bønder i rovdyrutsatte områder». [Psychological distress among farmers in carnivore pressured areas]. Nordic meeting about agricultural health. November 2020, Digital conference.
5. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2019): «Psykisk helse blant bønder i rovdyrutsatte områder». [Mental health among farmers in carnivore pressured areas]. Formidlingskonferanse i prosjektet Beiteressurs, rovdyr og lokalsamfunn. Oktober, 2019, Oslo.
6. Heggem, R., **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, and Brigham, M. (2019): «Potential causes of overweight and obesity in rural areas». European Society for Rural Sociology Congress (ESRS). June 2019, Trondheim, Norway.
7. Flemsæter, F., og **Zahl-Thanem, A** (2018): «Moralen på Dovrefjell. Naturinngrep eller inngrep i friluftslivet». December 2018, Tønsberg, Norway.
8. **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Blekesaune, A., og Burton, R. (2018): «Are carnivores driving farm succession failure in Norway?». Poster presentert ved Pathways Europe 2018 – Human Dimensions of Wildlife Conference, 16-19 September 2018, Goslar, Germany.
9. **Zahl-Thanem, A.** og Haugen, M. (2018): «Acceptance of immigrants in Rural Areas». Paper presentert ved Nordic Conference for Rural Research, 14-16. Mai 2018, Billund, Danmark.
10. **Thanem, A.** og Logstein, B. (2016): «Biosmart – Survey of the Norwegian Bioeconomy – some preliminary findings». Poster presentert ved NoRest Konferansen, 25-26. October 2016, Copenhagen, Denmark.
11. **Thanem, A.** (2016): «The significance of unifying events in rural areas». Paper presented at the Nordic Conference for Rural Research. May 2016, Akureyri, Iceland.
12. Bjørkhaug, H., **Thanem, A.**, Hansen, L., og Blekesaune, A. (2016): «Survey of the bioeconomy». Poster at the Biosmart Workshop, May 2016.
13. Rønningen, K., Blekesaune, A., Haugen, M., **Thanem, A.**, og Burton, R. (2016): «Grazing Resources, Carnivores and Local Communities». Oppstartskonferanse SU-Fakultetet NTNU, Trondheim, March 2016.

Popular Dissemination

- **Zahl-Thanem, A.** and Farstad, M. (2021). «Alle kjenner alle – En forbannelse eller velsignelse for bygda?» [Everyone knows everyone – a blessing or a curse for the rural village?], Kronikk, Nationen 27/10.

- **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2020), «Hvor går de etter koronaen?» [Where do they end up after the corona pandemic?]. Kronikk, Nationen 2/8-2020.
- **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2020), «Jakter kunnskap om bonden» [Seeking knowledge about the farmer]. Debattinnlegg, Bondebladet 27/1-2020.
- **Zahl-Thanem, A.**, Rønningen, K (2019): «Flertall, mindretall, beitedyr og rovdyr». [Majorities, minorities, grazing animals and predators]. Kronikk, Nationen 6/4 2019.
- **Zahl-Thanem, A.** (2019): «Folk flest ser rovdyr i avis». [Most people see carnivores in the newspaper]. Faglig snakka, Nationen 20/3 2019.
- Vik, J. og **Thanem, A.** (2017): «Jordbrukspolitikk på bakken». [Agriculture policy]. Kronikk, Nationen 22/3 2017.
- Bjørkhaug, H., Kvam, G. T. og **Thanem, A.**: «Hvorfor ikke produsere økologisk?» [Why not produce organic food?] Kronikk, Nationen 13/7 2016.

Other experiences

- External sensor, Research Methods in the Social Sciences (SOS1002), Department of Sociology and Political Science, Trondheim. 2022.
- External sensor, Research Methods in the Social Sciences (SOS1002), Department of Sociology and Political Science, Trondheim. 2021.
- Reviewer for the journal "Tidsskriftet Utmark", 2020.
- External sensor, Bachelor thesis in Sociology, Department of Sociology and Political Science, NTNU, Trondheim. 2020.
- External sensor, Bachelor thesis in Sociology, Department of Sociology and Political Science, NTNU, Trondheim. 2019.
- Member of the Local Organizing Committee for European Society for Rural Sociology Conference 2019 (ESRS), Trondheim. June 25-28, 2019.
- External sensor in the subject «Rettferdighet, sosial ulikhet og undervisning i samfunnssfag» [Justice, social inequality and education in social studies] (MGLU2107), Department of Teacher Education, NTNU, Trondheim. 2018.