

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## Education:

2018-2020: Post-doctoral research fellow, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies of Culture, NTNU, Trondheim

2013-2016: PhD, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies of Culture, NTNU, Trondheim

2007-2009: M.Phil in Gender and Development, UIB, Bergen

2002-2007: B.S. in Sociology, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

## Work experience:

2025-present: Senior researcher, PhD, Ruralis – Institute for Rural and Regional Research

2021-2025: Senior researcher, Eastern Norway Research Institute, Inland Norway University of Applied Sciences

2018-dd: External examiner, Center for gender studies, University of Stavanger

2017: Researcher, Senter for kunnskap og likestilling, KUN, Steigen

2016–2017: Assistant Professor, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies of Culture, NTNU, Trondheim

2013-2016: PhD candidate, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies of Culture, NTNU, Trondheim

2008-2010: Office staff, Arbeidsmiljøsentret, Bergen

## Project management experience:

**2026-2027:** Project leader, Community-led local development in the former Nesset municipality, funded by Nesset Vekst AS

**2023-2024:** Project leader, Helse og livskvalitet blant skeive i Innlandet, funded by Regional Research Fund Innlandet

**2021-2022:** Project leader, Trygg integrering av lhbtqi+ flyktninger med fluktbakgrunn, funded by the Norwegian Directorate of Integration and Diversity

**2022:** Project leader, Likestilling og mangfold i maritim næring og utdanning - en kartlegging, funded by Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries in Norway

**2022:** Project leader, Division of labour in the home during the COVID-19 pandemic, funded by Center for Gender Equality Norway.

### **Organizational and management experience:**

2019-2020: Board member, The Faculty of Humanities, NTNU, Trondheim

2017-2018: Assistant Leader, Skeiv Verden Oslo

2017-2018: Board member, Skeiv Verden Trøndelag

2024-present Board member, Skeiv Verden Midt-Norge

## **Publications**

### **Articles**

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Akin, D. (2015) Assessing sexual orientation-based persecution: a closer look at the Norwegian practices of asylum evaluation of gay and lesbian claimants. *Lambda Nordica: Tidsskrift om homoseksualitet*. vol. 20 (1).

## Technical Reports

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