

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Personal Information

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Current Academic Projects

Postdoc Project: DFG application: *Institutionalising the law of nature and nations: The universities of Kiel, Greifswald and Rostock 1648–1806*: A comparative study of the history of academic natural law at the Baltic North-German universities

Project director and developer of *Natural Law 1625-1850: Database*. The developing and implementing of a prosopographical database of early modern natural law scholars in collaboration with MWK, FZG, Research Library Gotha (FBG), Interdisciplinary Centre for European Enlightenment Studies (IZEA), and Thuringia University and State Library (ThULB): URL: <http://naturallawdatabase.thulb.uni-jena.de>

Book project: *Governing Nordic universities: transforming academia for king and country during the long eighteenth century*: Book manuscript invited for submission to the book series Oxford University Studies in the Enlightenment.

VIA: Project director and co-developer of the digital visualisation and exploration tool: *VIA – Virtual Itineraries of Academic*. URL: <http://www.knowledgecartography.org/via2/#travels>

Academic Positions

2018/1-2020/12 **Postdoctoral Fellow** at Max Weber Kolleg for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies and Forschungszentrum Gotha, and research coordinator of the Research Centre for Early Modern Natural Law

2017/11-2017/12 **Research Assistant** at the European University Institute for Professor Jorge Flores

2015/06-2017/01: **Research Assistant** at the European University Institute in the use of visualisation software (i.a. ArcGIS)

2013/09-2017/08: **Employed Ph.D. Researcher** (employer Danish Ministry for Higher Education and Science) at the European University Institute, Florence

Education

- 2018/03:** **European University Institute:** Earned the doctoral title in History and Civilization
- 2015/06:** **Teaching Training Certificate:** Completed a 20 hours teaching training course at the EUI in i.a. designing university teaching, assessment and feedback, teaching evaluation, lecture planning, and classroom management
- 2013/09-2017/08:** **European University Institute:** Fully funded Ph.D. program with the project: “From Learned Cosmopolitanism to Scientific Inter-Nationalism: The Patriotic Transformation of Nordic Academia and Academic Culture during the Long Eighteenth Century”
- Supervisor:** Prof. Stéphane van Damme
Second Supervisor: Prof. Ann Thomson
- 2012/04-05:** **Certified *Prince2* project manager:** Earned the *Prince2* project manager certificate
- 2010/04-2010/09:** **Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Germany:** Erasmus exchange (MA-level) in History
- 2005/09-2012/01:** **University of Copenhagen:** Studied History (major), European History of Culture (minor), and Philosophy (minor)

Teaching Experience

- 2019/SS:** **Docent** at the University of Erfurt, Germany
Title of seminar: “Eine Einführung in die europäische Universitätsgeschichte der frühen Neuzeit: Die politischen und kulturellen Dimensionen der akademischen Welt”
- 2016/09:** **Guest Lecturer** at the European University Institute, Italy
Title of lecture: “Digital Humanities – Working, analytical and explorative uses of databases, Mapping in ArcGIS”
- 2016/03:** **Docent** at the University of Florence, Italy
Title of seminar “History of the Age of Enlightenment/Storia dell’età dell’illuminismo”
- 2015/06-2017/01:** **Tutor** at the European University Institute, Italy
Title of tutorials: “Introduction to ArcGIS – Beginner’s course in map making”
- 2014/10:** **Guest Lecturer** at the University of Tübingen, Germany
Title of lecture: “Professorenmobilität, akademische Repräsentation, Wissenschaftsverständnis – Gelehrtenkultur und Patriotismus in der nordischen Region im 18. Jahrhundert“

Research Grants

- 2020/02** **Awarded the Proforschung20 Anschubförderung (5 000 €)** for the implementation of a Web-Based Contributor System in the *Natural Law 1625-1850: Database*. The extended database application will be implemented in 2020 in collaboration with FZG, FBG, ThULB and the IT firm JUSTORANGE.
- 2017/01** **Awarded the Cost Action 2017 Short Term Scientific Mission (STSM)** with the title ‘Prosopographies of Academics’. I cooperated with Professor Howard Hotson (University of Oxford) and Digital Designer Glauco Mantegari (Politecnico di Milano) in

developing digital workflows and digitalisations and visualisations of student matriculations and professor prosopographies.

- 2016/01 **Awarded the Cost Action 2015/2016 Short Term Scientific Mission (STSM)** with the title 'Prosopographical Study Using Data Modelling'. I cooperated with Professor Howard Hotson (Oxford University) to develop the prosopographical part of the 'Reassembling the Republic of Letters' project.
- 2013/04 **Awarded 4 years Ph.D. funding:** Research grant by the European University Institute and the Danish Ministry of Higher Education and Science
- 2013/05 **Nominated for 4 years Ph.D. funding:** Research grant by the University of Lund (declined in favour of the EUI)
- 2013/05 **Nominated for 3 years Ph.D. funding:** Research grant by the University of Copenhagen, (declined in favour of the EUI)

Other Academic Activities

- 2019/12-: **International Scientific Committee Member** of the book series *History of British and Irish Philosophy 1500-1800. Texts and Studies*, published by Universitas Studiorum, Mantova, Italy
- 2018/01-: **Research Coordinator** of the Research Centre for Early Modern Natural Law and the [Natural Law 1625-1850. An International Research Project](#)
- 2016/05-2018/06: **Managing Committee Member** (Denmark) of the COST Action IS1310 'Reassembling the Republic of Letter' under direction of Professor Howard Hotson, (University of Oxford)
- 2015/04-2016/05: **Affiliated Member** of the COST Action IS1310 'Reassembling the Republic of Letter' under direction of Professor Howard Hotson (University of Oxford)
- 2015/01-2016/01: **Ph.D.-researcher representative** (honorary office) for the Department of History and Civilisation, EUI
Representative and Member of:
- *Academic Council* of the European University Institute
- *Departmental Council* for Department of History and Civilisation
- *Reallocation Committee* for the European University Institute
- *Career Development Committee*
- Smaller ad hoc committees

Workshops/Conferences

- 2020/11 **Workshop: Digital Prosopography: The Case of Natural Lawyers** at Forschungszentrum Gotha and Max-Weber-Kolleg, University of Erfurt. Co-organiser of the workshop.
- Presented the paper "Samuel Rachel", the "Natural Law 1625-1850: Database" and "The Contributor System of the Database".
- 2019/11 **Conference: Early-Modern Natural Law in Eastern Europe** at Max Weber Centre, University of Erfurt. Co-organiser of the Conference.
- Presented the paper: "Launch of the Natural Law Database".
- 2019/11 **Workshop: Marginalia at the centre: Contrasting readings of Grotius, *De iure Belli ac Pacis*** at Forschungszentrum Gotha and Max-Weber-Kolleg, University of Erfurt. Co-organiser of the workshop.

- 2019/11 **Workshop: “As time goes by” – Langfrist-Editionsprojekte in der Praxis** at the IZEA, Halle.
- Presented the paper: “Natural Law 1625-1850: Database”.
- 2019/07 **Conference: ISECS Congress** at the University of Edinburgh.
- Presented the paper: “From a Learned Estate to a Learned State: The Patriotic Transformation of Academic Identity in the Eighteenth-Century Nordic Region”.
- Part of the roundtable at Digitizing Enlightenment IV and pretended the paper: “Update on Natural Law Academics 1625-1850: Database”.
- 2019/05 **Conference: The Intellectual Geographies of the Northern Enlightenment: In, Above, and Beneath Regional Context** at the University of Copenhagen.
- Presented the paper: “Travelling Europe: The Intellectual Geography of Nordic Academics, 1670-1790”.
- 2018/09 **Conference: After Pufendorf: Natural Law and the Passions in Germany and Scotland** at the University of St. Andrews. Presented with the title: “Natural Law 1625-1850: Database”.
- 2018/08 **Workshop: Fachtag Digital Humanities in Thüringen** at the Forschungszentrum Gotha
- Presented the paper: “Neue digitale Möglichkeiten zur europäischen Gelehrten-geschichte - Das Beispiel eines prosopographischen Datenmodells der frühneuzeitlichen Naturrechtsakademiker”.
- 2018/07 **Workshop: Digitizing Enlightenment III: A Workshop on Early Modern Prosopography and Social Networks** at the University of Oxford.
- Presented the paper: “Natural Law Academics 1625-1850: A Database”.
- Presented the paper: “Prosopography and Networks - Roundtable Statement”.
- 2018/06 **Workshop: Inventorier les correspondances des lumieres: analyse matérielle et traitements numériques** at the PSL-ENS, Paris.
- Presented the paper: “The people behind the letters - Combining prosopographical data and travel data to visualise the geo-academic space of eighteenth-century Nordic academia”.
- 2018/04 **Workshop: Wissenschaft als Beruf Workshop** at the Gotha Forschungszentrum.
- Presented the paper: “Wissenschaft als Beruf an den nordeuropäischen Universitäten”.
- 2018/01 **Conference: COST Action Reassembling the Republic of Letters** at the University of Malta.
- Presented the paper: “The Advantages of New Digital Tools for History - VIA and the Study of 18th-century Nordic Academic Travels”.
- 2017/11 **Workshop: Gelehrtenkarrieren vom Mittelalter bis ins 20. Jahrhundert: Datenanalysen und Forschungsperspektiven** at the Herzug August Bibliothek Wolfenbüttel.
- Presented the paper: “Methoden, Möglichkeiten und Herausforderungen einer prosopographische Datenbank zu nordischen Universitätsprofessoren im Achtzehnten Jahrhundert”.
- 2017/04 **Scientiae Conference** at the University of Padua.
- Presented the paper: “Patriotic Disruptions of Civitas Academica – The Case of Nordic Doctoral Degrees during the long eighteenth century”
- 2017/04 **The British Society for the History of Science Conference (BSHS)** at the European University Institute, Florence in cooperation with the Centre Alexandre-Koyré (Paris).
- Presented the paper: “From Peasantry to Academic Citizenship – An Exploration of Eighteenth-Century Social Ascent of Nordic Academics”.
- 2016/07 **Scientiae Conference** at the University of Oxford.
- Presented the paper: “Peregrinatio Academica in an Age of Patriotism – Nordic learned travels during the eighteenth century”.
- 2016/06 **Conference: COST Action Reassembling the Republic of Letters** at the University of Warsaw.
- Presented the paper: “Prosopographies (I) Universities”.
- Presented the paper: “EMLO – The Prosopographical Data Model”.

- 2016/04** **Workshop: Visualisation Meeting** at the DensityDesign/Politecnico Milano in corporation with the Cost Action Reassembling the Republic of Letters.
- Project director of the project “VIA: Virtual Itineraries of Academics – Exploring Early Modern Travel Culture”.
- 2016/03** **Workshop: The Geopolitics of European Intellectual Space 1750-1945** at the European University Institute, Florence, in corporation with the Academy of Finland and École Normale Supérieure, Paris.
- Presented the paper: “Nordic travel culture in an age of patriotism – The transformation of learned travels during the eighteenth century”.
- 2015/05** **Workshop: Giornata Illuministica** at the European University Institute, Florence.
- Presented the paper: “The Enlightenment and Academia – An unsuccessful marriage?”.
- 2015/04:** **Workshop: On Correspondences** at the European University Institute, Florence.
- Presented the paper: “Sending’ foreign places home – Depictions of scientific places in Erik Alstrins travel letters 1706-1713”.
- 2015/03** **Workshop: Visualising Networks – Geography, Mapping and Spatial Analysis in History** at the European University Institute, Florence. Co-organiser of the workshop.
- Presented the paper: “Learned Travels and Scholarly Trajectories – Visual Possibilities in 18th-century University History”.
- 2014/08:** **Workshop: Mapping Flows and Visualising Data in the Era of Digital Humanities** at the University of St. Andrews.
- Presented the paper: “University Professors in the Nordic Region during the Eighteenth Century – A prosopographical approach”.
- 2014/05:** **Making knowledge public in early modern Europe: a discussion on actors, theory, methods** at the European University Institute, Florence, in corporation with the Carleton University and Institut für Österreichische Geschichtsforschung.
- Presented the paper: “Scholarly Communities – University Professors in the Nordic Region during the Eighteenth Century”.

Language skills

- Danish	Native language	(C2)	Swedish	Passive: fluent	(C1-2)
- English	Active: fluent Passive: fluent	(C1-2) (C1-2)	Norwegian	Passive: fluent	(C1-2)
- German	Active: fluent Passive: fluent	(C1-2) (C1-2)	Italian	Passive: Somewhat understanding (A2) Active: Somewhat understanding (A2)	

Publications Lists

1.1. Publications list as part of the academic curriculum vitae

- 2021 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, *Governing Nordic universities: transforming academia for king and country during the long eighteenth century* (Oxford University Studies in the Enlightenment). The book manuscript is sent to peer review. The letter of invitation and the editorial report are attached to the application.
- 2021 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, “Teaching Natural Law at the University of Kiel: The History of an Academic Discipline 1665–1773” in *History of Universities* (Oxford: Oxford University Press [Forthcoming: vol. 34 (2) 2021]). The article and the letter of acceptance are attached to the application.
- 2020 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, “Patriotic disruptions of *Civitas Academica* – The case of Nordic doctoral degrees during the long eighteenth century”, in *Early Modern Universities and the Scientiae*, ed. Vittoria Feola & Giovanni Silvano (Padua, Franco Angeli [Forthcoming 2020]). The article and the letter of acceptance are attached to the application.
- 2019 Mikkel Munthe Jensen (ed.), *Natural Law 1625-1850: Database* [Online Database], (Erfurt, Gotha, Jena: ThULB, 2019-), URL: <http://naturallawdatabase.thulb.uni-jena.de>
- 2019 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, Howard Hotson, Gabriella Martinez, Dagmar Mrozik & Thomas Wallnig, “IV.5 Prosopographies of the Republic of Letters” in Howard Hotson & , Thomas Wallnig (eds.), *Reassembling the Republic of Letters in the Digital Age - Standards, Systems, Scholarship*, (Göttingen: Göttingen University Press, 2019), p. 371-399. [Open access](#). Specific contributions:
- Hotson & Jensen: “Universities as Point of Departure”, p. 373-377.
- Jensen: “Charting the Travels of Nordic Academics via VIA (Virtual Itineraries of Academics), p. 378-383.
- 2019 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, Marco Quaggiotto & Joëlle Weis, “VIA – Virtual Itineraries of Academics. A Digital Exploration Tool for Early Modern Academic Travels”, in *Jahrbuch der Österreichischen Gesellschaft zur Erforschung des 18. Jahrhunderts*, (Böhlau Verlag: Vienna, 2019), p. 13-30.
- 2018 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, *From Learned Cosmopolitanism to Scientific Inter-Nationalism - The Patriotic Transformation of Nordic Academia and Academic Culture during the Long Eighteenth Century*, Vol I-II, (European University Institute, Doctoral Dissertation, 2018), 378 + 146 pages.
- 2016 Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, Marco Quaggiotto & Joëlle Weis, *VIA – Virtual Itineraries of Academic* [Online digital exploration tool], (2016): URL: <http://www.knowledgecartography.org/via2/#travels>
- 2013: Jensen, Mikkel Munthe, “De lærdes identitet og fællesskab i den danske helstat – fædrelandspatriotiske og transnationale lærde selvforståelser i 1700-tallets anden halvdel” published in *Historisk Tidsskrift*, Vol. 113, No. 1, 2013, p. 80-121.

1.2 List of project-related/topic-related publications

N/A