

# Curriculum Vitae

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## **Date and place of birth**

1983 in Jyväskylä, Finland

## **Research interests**

Economics of education, labor economics, applied  
microeconometrics

## **Education**

- Doctor of Science (Economics), Jyväskylä University School of Business and Economics, 2007-2014
  - Dissertation: "Studies on higher education choices and spatial labour markets", supervised by Hannu Tervo, graded *very good*
- Master of Science (Economics), Jyväskylä University School of Business and Economics, 2002-2007

## **Current position**

- VATT Institute for Economic Research, Helsinki  
Senior Researcher 12/2013-

## **Previous work experience**

- Jyväskylä University School of Business and Economics
  - University Teacher 1-6/2013
  - Researcher 1/2009-12/2012
  - Teaching Assistant 3-12/2008
  - Doctoral Student 8/2007-3/2008
  - Scholarship Researcher 6-7/2007, 7-11/2013
  - Research Assistant 11/2006-5/2007
- Umeå University, Department of Economics  
Visiting Postdoctoral Researcher 9-11/2013

### **Peer-reviewed scientific articles**

1. The intergenerational effects of parental higher education: Evidence from changes in university accessibility (with Hannu Karhunen), *Journal of Public Economics*, 2019, 176: 195-217.
2. Field-of-study-choice in higher education: does distance matter? *Spatial Economic Analysis*, 2014, 9(4): 349-354.
3. Quality of higher education and earnings: evidence from Finland using field-of-study-level quality measures, *International Review of Applied Economics*, 2014, 28(1): 22-44.
4. Are there returns from university location in a state-funded university system? *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, 2013, 43(3): 465-478.

### **Working papers**

1. Does admission to elite engineering school make a difference (with Tiina Kuuppelomäki, Mika Kortelainen and Hanna Virtanen), VATT Working Papers 127, 2019.
2. Estimating regional differences in returns to education when schooling and location are determined endogenously (with Jaakko Pehkonen and Hannu Tervo), Working Paper No. 363, University of Jyväskylä, School of Business and Economics, 2010.

### **Policy reports and articles in Finnish**

1. Maakuntayliopistot ja mahdollisuuksien tasa-arvo, teoksessa: *Aluetalouksia tutkimassa - kehitys, työmarkkinat ja muuttoliike, Hannu Tervon juhlakirja*, Signe Jauhiainen (toim.), 141-145, Jyväskylä: Jyväskylän yliopiston kauppakorkeakoulu, 2019.
2. Mikä on tutkintotodistuksesi tuotto? (yhdessä Juho Jokisen kanssa), *Talous & Yhteiskunta* 2/2018, 30-37.
3. Kuntien sääntelyn periaatteet (yhdessä Tuukka Saarimaan, Antti Saastamoisen, Lassi Tervosen, Janne Tukiaisen ja Hannu Vartiaisen kanssa), Valtionneuvoston selvitys- ja tutkimustoiminnan julkaisusarja 21/2016.
4. Kuntien tehtävien ja velvoitteiden vaikutusten arviointi (yhdessä Ramin Izadin, Saara Kuhalaisen, Antti Moision, Mikko Nurmisen, Heikki Pursiaisen, Antti Saastamoisen ja Lassi Tervosen kanssa), Valtionneuvoston selvitys- ja tutkimustoiminnan julkaisusarja 1/2016.
5. Ulkomaalaisten korkeakouluopiskelijoiden opiskeluajan kustannukset ja taloudellinen toiminta Suomessa. VATT Muistiot 46, 2015.

6. Korkeakoulun laadun vaikutus opiskelijoiden työmarkkinamenestykseen, teoksessa: *Vastuullinen ja vaikuttava: tulokulmia korkeakoulujen yhteiskunnalliseen vaikuttavuuteen*, Opetus- ja kulttuuriministeriön julkaisuja 2015:13, 142-165.
7. Tutkimuksia korkeakoulutusvalinnoista ja alueellisista työmarkkinoista. *Kansantaloudellinen aikakauskirja*, 2014, 110(3): 431-434.
8. Esiselvitys ulkomaalaisten korkeakouluopiskelijoiden taloudellisista vaikutuksista (yhdessä Irma Garamin, Janne Jaalivaaran ja Isa Kuosmasen kanssa), VATT Valmisteluraportit 21, 2014.
9. Kansainvälisen tutkimusrahoituksen vastinrahoitus Suomessa. Opetus- ja kulttuuriministeriön julkaisuja 2014:14.

### **Research in progress**

1. Do centralized post-compulsory student admissions lead to better education and career outcomes? (with Hannu Karhunen)
2. Regional expansion of universities and equality of opportunity (with Hannu Karhunen and Roope Uusitalo)
3. Cognitive skills and personality as determinants of university major and subsequent earnings (with Juho Jokinen)
4. Major-specific income trajectories of university graduates and dropouts (with Hannu Karhunen)

### **Research funding**

- Academy of Finland projects
  - “Skills, Education and the Future of Work”, leader of subproject “Higher education institutions, supply and demand of skills”, PI: Roope Uusitalo, 2016-2019
  - “Higher Education and Regional Economies”, member of research team, PI: Hannu Tervo, 2009-2012
- Personal grants
  - Yrjö Jahansson Foundation scholarship for doctoral research and visit abroad, 17 500 euros, 7/2013-11/2013
- Policy evaluation projects
  - “The follow-up study of the student admission reform”, Ministry of Education and Culture, member of research team, 10/2019-5/2022
  - “The principles of municipal regulation”, Ministry of Finance, member of research team, 6/2015-3/2016
  - “The costs and economic behavior of foreign higher education students”, Center of International Mobility, principal investigator, 11/2014-2/2015

"The effects of higher education institution quality on students' labor market outcomes", Ministry of Education and Culture, principal investigator, 6/2014-8/2014  
"Match funding of international research in Finland"  
Ministry of Education and Culture, principal investigator, 4/2014-6/2014

#### **Presentations in seminars and conferences**

- 2019: EconPol Europe Conference, Brussels; EALE Conference, Uppsala; IIPF Conference, Glasgow; Summer Seminar of Finnish Economists, Jyväskylä; Annual Meeting of Finnish Economists, Oulu
- 2018: EEA-ESEM Conference, Cologne; VATT Seminar, Helsinki; Finnish OECD Embassy Workshop, Paris
- 2017: EALE Conference, St. Gallen; SOLE Conference, Raleigh; HECER Labor and Public Economics Seminar, Helsinki; JSBE Seminar, Jyväskylä; Annual Meeting of Finnish Economists, Jyväskylä
- 2015: VATT Seminar, Helsinki; ERSA Conference, Lisbon; Summer Seminar of Finnish Economists, Jyväskylä; LIER Seminar, Helsinki; LEER Workshop on Education Economics, Leuven
- 2014: VATT Seminar, Helsinki; ERSA Conference, St. Petersburg
- 2013: ERSA Conference, Palermo; Summer Seminar of Finnish Economists, Jyväskylä; RSA Conference, Tampere; Annual Meeting of Finnish Economists, Mariehamn
- 2012: ERSA Conference, Bratislava; ERSA Summer School, Umeå; Annual Meeting of Finnish Economists, Vaasa
- 2011: EALE Conference, Paphos; NS-RSA Winter Conference, Hemavan
- 2010: ERSA Conference, Jönköping; Annual Meeting of Finnish Economists, Oulu
- 2009: EEA-ESEM Conference, Barcelona; Annual Meeting of Finnish Economists, Turku
- 2008: ERSA Conference, Liverpool
- 2007: ERSA Conference, Paris; Summer Seminar of Finnish Economists, Jyväskylä

#### **Merits in teaching**

- University of Helsinki  
Public Economics, visiting lecturer, 2015-2017
- Jyväskylä University School of Business and Economics  
Mathematical Economics I and II, class assistant, 2013  
Microeconomics II, class assistant, 2011-2012

"Topics in Spatial Labour Markets", lecturer, 2008-2012

Bachelor's Seminar, class assistant, 2010

Mathematical Economics I, lecturer, 2009

"Finland in the World's Economy", organizer, 2008

**Other academic merits**

- Referee for Southern Economic Journal and European Societies