

Curriculum Vitae

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Degrees

- 13 October 1994, Dr (Administrative Sciences), Regional Studies, University of Tampere, Finland
- 7 February 1990, M.Sc. (Admin.), Regional Studies, University of Tampere, Finland

Current employment

- Since 1 January 2001, full professor of Regional Studies (Tampere University, Faculty of Management and Business)

Other work experience

- Vice Director of the RELATE Centre of Excellence, funded by Academy of Finland, 2014-2019
- Vice Director of the New Social Research programme, Tampere University, 2017-2021
- Director, Institute for Advanced Study, University of Tampere (12 months), 2009
- Senior scientist, Institute for Social Research, University of Tampere (12 months), 2007-2008
- Senior research fellow, The Academy of Finland (29 months), 1998–2000
- Professor of Human Geography (fixed term) (University of Joensuu) (12 months), 1997
- Senior Lecturer in Human Geography (University of Joensuu) (19 months), 1996-1997
- Postgraduate researcher (PhD student), (University of Tampere) (35 months) 1990-1994

Most important visits abroad

- Postdoc researcher, Dept. of Geography (Univ. of Southern California, USA) (13 months), 1995
- Visiting research fellow, Universitat de Girona, Spain (total 3 months), 1999
- Visiting professor, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain (total 2 months), 2019

Publication track record

- In September 2026, total 221 scientific publications, of which 115 are peer-reviewed articles in scientific journals or edited volumes
- H-index 43, total citations 5477 (Harzing analytics, Google Scholar data, 8 Sept 2026)
- Research published in top journals of the field, including:
Progress in Human Geography; Political Geography; Dialogues in Human Geography; Environment and Planning D: Society and Space; Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers; Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space; International Journal of Urban and Regional Research; Citizenship Studies; Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies; Subjectivity; National Identities; International Political Sociology
- Key publications available from: <https://www.tuni.fi/fi/ihmiset/jouni-hakli>

Research funding and grants (PI for a total of 4.613.884 euros)

- Research Council of Finland (RCF), project “The politics of embodied encounters in asylum seeking” (497.044 euro) 2021-2025
- RCF, 2016, project “Beyond MALPE-coordination: integrative envisioning” (338.503 euro)
- RCF, 2013, RELATE Centre of Excellence (PI for 877.991 euros, 2014-2019)
- University of Tampere, 2014 Strategic funding for RELATE CoE (540.000 euro)
- RCF, 2012, project “Early recognition in curbing the marginalization of youth” (359.336 euro)
- Alfred Kordelin Foundation, 2012, project “Subject, action and polis” (87.500 euro)
- RCF, 2009, project “Preventing marginalization through place-based participation” (380.000 eur)

- RCF, 2009, project "Spatial socialization in/to a compressing world" (500.000 euro)
- RCF, 2005, project "Boundaries of trust: social capital in cross-border networks" (118.770 euro)
- RCF, 2003, project "The constitution of social capital in place" (133.000 euro)
- RCF, 2003, project "Globalization and the experience of place" (239.740 euro)
- EU project HerPro, City of Tampere, 2003 "Citizen's Hervanta" (54.200 euro)
- RCF, 1998, project "Cross-border regional development in the New Europe" (270.000 euro)
- RCF, 1997, project "Cross-border ethnic minorities in the New Europe" (128.700 euro)
- RCF, 1996, project "National identity and territory in Finland" (18.000 euro)
- RCF, 1994, project "Public sphere and the representation of space" (28.400 euro)
- RCF, 1993, project "Territoriality and its societal antagonisms" (60.700 euro)

Research supervision and leadership experience

- *Supervisor of completed doctoral dissertations (total 14):* Joni Virkkunen (Univ. of Tampere, TAU, 2002); Anna-Kaisa Kuusisto (TAU, 2003); Inka Moring (Univ. of Helsinki, 2004); Suvi Vilkkö (TAU, 2005); Sisko Telinkangas (TAU, 2005); Pia Bäcklund (Univ. of Helsinki, 2007); Anne Tuhkunen (TAU, 2007); Hanna-Mari Ikonen (TAU, 2008); Timo Poutiainen (TAU, 2014); Kristiina Vihmalu (TAU, 2017); Elina Stenvall (TAU, 2018); Eeva Rinne (TAU, 2019); Miliza Ryöti (University of Helsinki, 2021); Sami Lind (TAU, 2022); Ella Mustakangas (TAU, 11/2025)
- Supervisor of ongoing doctoral studies: (Tuomas Lammi, Majed Abusalama, Paula Haara, Anna Kobierska)

Experience in postdoctoral training

- Supervised postdocs successful in competition for the RCF funding for Postdoctoral Researcher or Academy Research Fellow: Anna-Kaisa Kuusisto 2004-06; Kirsi Pauliina Kallio 2009-11; Pia Bäcklund 2011-14; Hanna-Mari Ikonen 2011-14; Inka Kaakinen 2015-18; Elisa Pascucci 2016-19; Derek Ruez 2018-20; Kirsi Pauliina Kallio 2013-17; Anna-Kaisa Kuusisto 2013-17, Mikko Joronen 2017-22, Derek Ruez 2021-25
- Supervised postdocs successful in competition for Postdoctoral Researcher positions: Elisa Pascucci 2016-17 (Tampere University); Elisa Pascucci 2019-22 (Helsinki University) Pia Bäcklund 2015-18 (Tampere University); Zsuzsa Millei 2016-17 (Tampere Uni.); Aila Spathopoulou 2021-24 (Durham University); Isabel Meier 2021-24 (Northumbria University); Ismaël Maazaz Tampere IAS)
- Supervised postdocs successful in competition for academic positions: Sara Koopman (assistant professor, Kent State University); James Riding (Newcastle University Academic Track fellow); Anna-Kaisa Kuusisto (university lecturer / professor, fixed term, Tampere University); Pia Bäcklund (professor, University of Helsinki); Riikka Korkiamäki (associate professor, Tampere University); Zsuzsa Millei (professor, Tampere University); Kirsi Pauliina Kallio (professor, Tampere University)

Teaching merits

- Head of the Degree Programme in Administrative Studies (University of Tampere) 2015-16
- Chair of the Master's Programme on Environmental Politics and Regional Studies (TAU) 2011-17
- Supervisor of master's theses: University of Joensuu and Tampere University (total 124)

Awards and honours

- Award for outstanding doctoral dissertation (Annual Prize of the University of Tampere), 1995
- Distinguished Member, Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, since 2005
- Recipient of Ragnar Hult medal, Geographical Society of Finland (2022)
- Order of the White Rose of Finland: Knight First Class (FWR K I), 2023

Other key academic merits

Reviewer and/or opponent (total 28 doctoral dissertations, 1999-2024)

University of Helsinki (Maaria Seppänen, Vivi Niemenmaa, Veli-Pekka Tynkkynen, Venla Bernelius, Maria Merisalo); University of Turku (Anne Virtanen, Sami Moisio, Toni Ahlqvist, Laura Leppänen); University of Oulu (Jani Vuolteenaho, Regis Rouge, Eeva-Kaisa Prokkola, Jonne Hytönen); University of Vaasa (Anita Salmi); University of Eastern Finland (Jaana Nevalainen, Mika Tonder, Samu Pehkonen, Virpi Kaisto); University of Copenhagen, Denmark (Henrik Gutzon Larsen); Helsinki University of Technology (Panu Lehtovuori, Kaarin Taipale); University of Jyväskylä (Jarmo Mäkinen, Kaisu Kumpulainen); University of Geneva, Switzerland (Christina Del Biaggio); Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany (Simone Schneider); University of Tartu, Estonia (Jaanus Veemaa); University of Bergen, Norway (Noor Jdid); Macquarie University, Australia (Jessica Collins)

Select evaluation expertise and tasks for funding agencies

- Member and vice-chair, Research Council of Finland (Biosciences and Environment), 2007–12
- Chair and vice-chair, Development Research Committee (Research Council of Finland), 2007–12
- Reviewer, Research Council of Lithuania, 2007, 2013
- Reviewer, Slovenian Research Agency, 2009, 2016
- Reviewer, European Commission, 7th Framework (FP7-SSH-2011-1), 2011
- Reviewer, European Commission, Horizon 2020, MSCA Fellowships, 2015
- Reviewer, National Science Centre Poland, OPUS-20 applications, 2021, 2025
- External expert and panelist, National Science Centre Poland, OPUS-29 applications, 2025

Expert tasks in filling professorships (total 15)

- Kent State University, USA, Associate Professor of Geography, 1998; University of Turku, Professor of Geography, 2008; University of Minnesota, USA, GF/D.& N. Speer Visiting Professor, 2003; Royal Holloway, University of London, UK, Professor of Geography, 2005; University of Joensuu, Professor of Environmental Policy, 2007; University of Joensuu, Professor of Regional and Border Studies, 2007; University of Oulu, Professor of Cultural Geography, 2008, 2010; University of Turin, Italy, Visiting Professor, 2008; University of Eastern Finland, Professor in Social Scientific Regional Studies, 2010, 2014; University of Eastern Finland, Professor of Social Geography and Resource Policy, 2011, 2013; University of Hawaii at Manoa, USA, Associate Professor of Geography, 2011; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Full Professor of Geography, 2018

Evaluation tasks in filling docentships (total 13)

- University of Helsinki, Docent of Development Studies, 1999; University of Turku, Docent of Economic Geography, 2003; University of Turku, Docent of Planning Geography, 2004; Turku School of Economics, Docent of Political Geography, 2005; University of Oulu, Docent of Urban Planning, 2005, University of Joensuu, Docent of Regional Planning, 2007; University of Joensuu, Docent of Natural Resources Policy, 2009; University of Eastern Finland, Docent of Geography, 2014; University of Helsinki, Docent of Environmental Planning, 2010; University of Oulu, Docent of Urban Planning, 2011; University of Oulu, Docent in Mobility Studies, 2020; University of Helsinki, Docent in Regional Planning, 2023; University of Turku, Docent in Social Geography, 2025

Editorial experience

- Editorial board member: Progress in Human Geography, 2004–, Canadian Geographer, 2002–2006, Political Geography, 2008–, National Identities 2008–, The Open Geography Journal, 2007–2015, Nordisk Samhällsgeografisk Tidskrift, 2002–2009, The Open Political Science Journal, 2007–2015, Terra [Journal of the Finnish Geographical Society], 1998–, Social Sciences, 2018–, Environment and Planning F: Philosophy, Theory, Models, Methods and Practice, 2021–

- Referee for over 40 international journals, including: *Antipode*, *Geografiska Annaler*, *Progress in Human Geography*, *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, *Geopolitics*, *Political Geography*, *National Identities*, *Security Dialogue*, *Area*, *Geographical Review*, *Environment and Planning D*, *Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie*, *Regional Studies*, *Children's Geographies*, *Environment and Planning A*, *Dialogues in Human Geography*, *Canadian Geographer*, *Tourism Geographies*, *Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies*, *Childhood*, *Citizenship Studies*, *Emotion, Space and Society*, *Journal of Borderland Studies*, *International Planning Studies*, *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, *Geoforum*, *Social and Cultural Geography*, *Gender, Place and Culture*, *International Political Sociology* (> 160 manuscripts since 1996)

Select invited keynote lectures and talks at international conferences (total 14)

- Keynote "Globalization and Identity in Finland" VII Finn Forum Conference, University of Minnesota, USA, 28.10.2004
- Keynote "The City as a Society" The Annual Meeting of Finnish Geographers, University of Helsinki, 21.11.2006
- Keynote "Boundaries of Trust in Cross-Border Cooperation" Conference Borderless Europe? University of Southern Denmark, Sønderborg, Denmark, 01.10.2010
- Invited Lecture "The subject of citizenship?" in seminar The Dilemmas of Civil Society, University of Cambridge, 26.3.2015
- Invited Lecture "Political Agency in Vulnerable Life Situations", UNC Chapel Hill, USA, 6.4.2018
- Invited Lecture "Between Vulnerability and Resilience", Seminar Resilience of Syrian Refugees, London School of Economics, UK, 8.3.2019
- Keynote "Environmental Citizenship: Between (Unwarranted) Hope and (Unproductive) Despair" in Conference "Environmental and ecological citizenship", Munich, Germany, 6-8 July 2023.

Academic leadership and positions of trust

- Head of Department of Regional Studies (University of Tampere), 2002–05, 2006–07
- Head of Department of Geography (University of Joensuu), 1997–98
- Member and Chair International Geographical Union (IGU), Finnish National Committee, 2001–
- Chair, Geography committee, Evaluation of Science and Research in Finland (SIGHT 2009, 2012)
- University Collegium Member (University of Tampere) 2010–14
- Member of the Science Council (Tampere University) since 2014–

Examples of working for societal impact

- Development of Positive Recognition (*Myönteinen Tunnistaminen*) as a research-based approach to working with children and young people (funded by the Academy of Finland as part of the Children and Young People's Wellbeing and Health research program, SkidiKids 2010–2015).
- The Positive Recognition approach has become established as part of several operating models and is currently being implemented in a number of development projects by practitioners including *Pelastakaa lapset ry*, *Helsingin Nuorisoasiainkeskus*, *Aseman Lapset ry*, *Nuorisoalan tutkimus- ja kehittämiskeskus Juvenia*, and *SOS-Lapsikylä*.
- Expert member of the Steering Board, Pirkanmaa Regional Plan 2040, 2012-2016
- Expert member of the Steering Board, Pirkanmaa Traffic System Planning Group, 2018-2021
- Participation in the development of BiciZen mobile phone application, an open and collaborative platform that crowdsources data about everyday cycling experiences in city regions around Europe. BiciZen empowers cyclists with information that can improve their everyday cycling experience. BiciZen has been created through a research collaboration between five ECIU universities funded by the ECIU SMART-ER seed program for citizen science.