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Positions

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| 1998- | Professor of Sociology, currently Emerita, Department of Sociology, Stockholm University |
| 2017-2018 | Research Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Study in Berlin, WissenschaftKolleg |
| 2014- | Guest Professor, University of Kyoto, Sociology Department and Center of Excellence |
| 1996-2003 | Director Advanced Research School in Comparative Gender Studies (Sociology Dept). |
| 1995 | Research Fellow, Swedish Collegium for the Advanced Studies of the Social Sciences, Uppsala |
| 1992-1995 | Director of Graduate Studies, International Graduate School, Stockholm University |
| 1988-1990 | Research fellow and guest lecturer, University of Chicago, Center the Study of Politics, History and Culture |
| 1988-1989 | Research Fellow, Murray Research Center, Harvard University |
| 1986-1987 | Research Fellow Radcliff Institute, Harvard University |
| 1985-1986 | Research Fellow, Harvard University, Center for European Studies |

Research Projects

- 2018-2021: Research Expert: ERC Consolidation grant: CAPABLE: Enhancing Capabilities and Rethinking Work-Life Balance Policies and their Impact. PI. Mara Yerkes
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| 2012-2017 | Principal Investigator: Do Welfare Regimes Matter? Migration and Care/domestic work in two institutional contexts, Sweden and Spain: A Multi- Tier Design (funded by the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation) |
| 2013-2017 | Task Leader for two projects in EU FP 7 Framework: FamiliesandSocieties |
| 2006-2011 | Strand Coordinator for Family, Employment and Welfare Theme, in the Network Excellence, EU 6th Framework RECWOWE: The Relationship between Work and Welfare, Lead Coordinators: Denis Bouget and Bruno Palier |
| 2008-2011 | Swedish Partner, EUDIGROM, 7th Framework Project. Ethnic Differences in Education and Diverging Prospects for Urban Youth in an Enlarged Europe |
| 2007-2011 | Coordinator: European Science Foundation grant. The Changing Relationship between work, welfare and gender equality in Europe: Developing a capabilities approach to transitions using quantitative and qualitative cross-national comparison between and within European countries |

- 2000-2002 Principal Investigator: Public Policy and Gender Formation: A Gender Perspective (funded by Swedish Research Council)
- 2000-2002 Swedish Partner: EU project: Research on Social Integration and Social Exclusion. European Community Targeted Socio-Economic Research Area III
- 1997-2000 Swedish Partner in “Gender Dimensions of Policy Regimes”. PI: Jane Lewis, Oxford University. Project funded by European Community Mobility Studies
- 1996-2001 Principle Investigator and Project Leader of 5 year Innovative Research Program Grant: Comparative Studies: Gender, Citizenship, and Welfare States (funded by Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation.
- 1996-1998 Project leader for Advanced Research School in Gender Studies (Funded by The Swedish Social Research Council)
- 1991-1993 Principle Investigator: Social Consequences of Women’s Economic Dependency (funded by The Swedish Social Research Council).
- 1988-1990 Principal Investigator: Women’s Contribution to the Family Economy: A Comparative Study (funded by the Rockefeller Foundation)

Research Networks and Research Policy Collaborations

2017-2020 European Network: Politics of Fiscal Welfare Markets, Coordinators: Clémence Ledoux and Karen Shire, funded by Institute of Advanced studies, Händel Kolleg

International Network on Care and Migration, Coordinator Margarita Abé Estévez, funded by Institute, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin).

- 2013- International Work Family Research Network (WFRN).
- 2011-2013 International Network: *The EU, North America and the Challenge of Global Policymaking for Care Work*
- 2009-2011 *Norface Network: Equality Politics and Democratic Diversities* (DEMEDI): Nordic Network
- 2011 Country Expert for Tendered Project: Labour market integration and the socio-economic situation of single parents. An empirical comparison of Germany, France, Sweden and the United Kingdom. Commissioned by the Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (Bundesministerium für Arbeit und Soziales) Contractor: University of Duisburg
- 2010 Research Expert in Tendered EU Project: Study of the gender dimension and discrimination in social protection Within PROGRESS Programme Implemented by WYG International and Gdańsk Institute of Market Economics; Contractor WYG
- 2006-2007 Swedish Expert: in the UN Program, Social Policy in a Development Context.” sponsored by United Nations Institute for Research and Development Institute

Other professional and Academic Activities

1994- Founder and Editor of *Social Politics: International Studies of Gender State and Society*, Oxford University Press (from 2015 Emerita editor)

2010- Editorial Advisory Board, *Critical Social Policy*

2010-14 Advisory Board, Journal of Intimate and Public Spheres and Book Series (Kyoto University).

Current Member of the American Sociological Association

Current Member and a former Vice President of Research Committee on "Poverty, Social Welfare, and Social Policy (RC 19)" of the International Sociological Association

Current Member of Work Family Research Network

Publications (Selections, in English)

Book and Book Projects

Worklife Balance: The agency & Capabilities Gap. Oxford University press, 2014. Paperback 2015.

Recognition Struggles and Social Movements: Cultural Claims, Contested Identities, Power and Agency. Cambridge University. Press. 2003

Making Men into Fathers: Men, Masculinities, and the Social Politics of Fatherhood. Cambridge University Press, 2002.

Uneasy Virtue: The Politics of Prostitution and the American Reform Tradition. Paperback edition, with a new introduction. University of Chicago Press, 1990.

Selected Published Articles & Book chapters

Hellgren, Z and Hobson, B. Welfare Markets and Domestic Services: Market mechanisms in two welfare states, in Welfare Markets. Eds. Ledoux, Shire, and van Hooren, Palgrave Macmillan 2020

Hearn, J and Hobson, B. Gender, State and Citizenships, in Handbook of Political Sociology, eds. J, Misra and T. Janoski, Oxford University Press, 2020

Hobson B, Hellgren Z and Serrano I. Migrants, markets and domestic work: Do institutional contexts matter in the personal household service sector? *Journal of European Social Policy*, 2018, 28:4: 386-401

Hobson, B. Revisiting Recognition and Redistribution and Extending the Borders: Julia Szalá's Contribution. *Intersections*, 4(1): 9-23, 2018

Hobson, B. Gendered Dimensions and Capabilities: Opportunities, Dilemmas and Challenges. *Critical Sociology*, 2017, 28 (4), 386-401.

Hobson, B and L. Bede. Precariousness and Capabilities. Migrant Care/domestic workers in two Institutional Contexts. *Theory in Practice*. Special Issue Economy and Society. 2015: 53:2.

Estevéz-Abe. M and B. Hobson. Outsourcing Domestic (Care) Work: The Politics, Policies and Political Economy. *Social Politics*. 2015: 2:2.

Hobson, B. and S Fahlén. Father's Capabilities for Care: A European Perspective. In *Family, Ties and Care: Family Transformation in Plural Modernity*, eds H. Bertram and N. Elhert: Berlin: Barbara Budrich 2012. (Also translated into German: Familie, Bindungen und Fürsorge: Familiärer Wandel in einer vielfältigen Moderne) (With Susanne Fahlén)

Hobson, B. The Agency Gap in Work-Life Balance: Applying Sen's Capabilities Framework in European Institutional Contexts. *Social Politics*, 2011: 18:2.

Hobson, B and S. Fahlén. Competing Frames in Gender, Family and Responsibility: From rights and obligations to rights and capabilities. In *Transforming Families. Regulating Responsibilities*: eds. Jo Bridgeman and Heather Keating. Ashgate: Surrey, 2011.

Hobson, B., S Fahlén, and J.Takács. Tensions in Aspirations, Agency and Capabilities to Achieve a Work Family Balance: A comparison of Sweden and Hungary. *Social Politics*, 2011: 8:2.

Hobson, B. and S Fahlén. Two Scenarios for European Fathers: Adversity and Risk? Opportunities and Agency for a Work Family Balance. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*. 2009: 624:1.

Hobson, B. and Z. Hellgren. European Exports and Imports: How gender and ethnic minority groups in Sweden use EU institutions and venues. In *Gender Issues and Women's Movements in the Expanding European Union*, ed. Birgit Sauer Berghahn Books, 2008

Hellgren, Z and B. Hobson. Cultural Conflict and Cultural Dialogues in the Good Society: The Case of Honour Killings in Sweden. *Ethnicities*, Special issue, eds. A. Phillips and S. Sawitri Sarhasa. 2008: 8:3

Hobson, B., Carson, M and Lawrence, R. Recognition Struggles in Trans-national Arenas: Negotiating Identities and Framing Citizenship. Special Issue: Gender and Diversity, *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, 2007: 8:3 (reprinted in *Contesting Citizenship*; eds. Birte Siim and Judith Squires. London Routledge, 2008.

Hobson, B and L. Oláh. Birthstrikes? Agency and capabilities in the reconciliation of employment and family. *Journal of Marriage and Family Review* 2006: 39:1

Hobson, B. A. Z. Duvander, and K Halldén. Men and Worklife Balance: Which men, which policies and which institutional contexts? In *Children, Family Policies and Welfare State Change*. Edward Elgar, ed. Jane Lewis. 2006 (with

Hobson, B. The Evolution of the Women Friendly State: Opportunities and Constraints in the Swedish Welfare State.” In *Gender and Social Policy*, eds. S. Hassim och Shara Razavi (UNRSID project on Gender and social Policy). Palgrave, 2006.

Hobson, B. Feminist Theories and Feminisms in Political Sociology. In *Handbook of Political Sociology: States, Civil Societies and Globalization*. eds. T. Janoski, R. Alford, A. Hicks, M. Schwartz. Cambridge University Press, 2005

Hobson, B. The Individual Worker, the Gender Participatory and the Gender Equity Models in Sweden. *Social Policy and the Society*; 2003: 2:1

Hobson, B. Economic Citizenship: Reflections through the European Policy Mirror in *Gender and Citizenship in Transition*, ed. B Hobson.

Hobson, B. “The interplay Between Identities and Institutions: The Centrality of Paid Work and Swedish Women’s Mobilization in Periods of Welfare State Expansion and Retrenchment.” In *Women in Japan and Sweden: Work and Family in Two Welfare Regimes*, eds. C. le Grand and T. Tsukaguchi. Stockholm: Almqvist and Wicksell, 2003.

Hobson, B and R. Lister. Citizenship. In *Contested Concepts in Gender and Social Politics*. eds. B. Hobson , J. Lewis and B. Siim, Edward Elgar. 2002.

Hobson, B. Women’s Collective Agency, Power Resources and the Framing of Citizenship. In *Extending Citizenship: Reconfiguring States*, eds. M. Hannagan and C.Tilly. Boulder Colorado: Rowman and Littlefield, 1998.

Hobson, B. and M. Lindholm. “Women's Collectivities, Power Resources and the Making of Welfare States,” *Theory and Society*. 26: 475-508, 1997 (Reprinted and Translated into German and journals).

Hobson, B. M. Takahashi. Lone Motherhood and Weak Male Breadwinner Models: The Case of Sweden. In *Lone Mothers and Welfare Policy Regimes*, ed. Jane Lewis , London: Jessica Kingsley, 1997

Hobson, B. Welfare Policy Regimes, Solo Mothers, and the Logics of Gender," in *Gendering Welfare States*, ed. D. Sainsbury. London, Sage 1994.

Gendered Discourses and Feminist Strategies in Welfare States: The Debate Over Married Women's Right to Work in Sweden and the U.S. In *Mothers of the New World: Origins of Welfare State in Western Europe and North America*, eds. S. Koven and S. Michel, London: Routledge, 1993
No Exit, No Voice: Married Women's Economic Dependency and the Welfare State, *Acta Sociologica*, 1990: 33: 3.

Plenary and Conference Presentations (last five years)

Plenary Presentation: Which way are the winds blowing? Fathers and Fathering: policies and practices, International Research Networking conference on care practices: Do Policies Matter, Landshult Germany, February- 16-17, 2020

Plenary Presentation: Stretching the Canvass: Complex inequalities: and the capabilities in Welfare Models. Conference: Challenges to Welfare State Systems. October, 15-16, 2020, Vilnius

Panelist: Unrealized Utopias, Real Dystopias and Pathways toward a new Inclusive feminist Social Politics? RC 19 conference, Mannheim, August , 2019

Presentation: Imagining Alternatives: Agency; Capability and the Sense of Entitlement. Institute for Advanced study in Berlin (Wissenschaftskolleg), February, 2018

Paper Presentation: Special thematic session. Gender Equity and Social Policy: Solving Work/Family Conflicts at the American Sociological Association, August 2016, Seattle

Paper presentation: Migrants, Markets and the Domestic Care Sector: Do policy regimes matter? European Social Science History Association, Valencia, April 2016.

Plenary Panel: Migration, Markets and Care Domestic Services: The Widening Gap in Capabilities. FP 7 FamiliesandSocieties Conference, Vienna Jan. 2016

Plenary Presentations in Japan: Annual Meeting of the Sociology of the family, Osaka Sept 2016. Fathers and Worklife Balance: Looking Beyond and Beneath the State.

Paper presentation: What Do Private Markets in Domestic Services Do? The widening of inequalities in Spain and Sweden. Annual Meeting Research Committee 19. Frontiers of Inequality, Social Policy, and Welfare. Bath, UK, August 2016

Paper Presentation: How Private Markets Work in Two Divergent Welfare Regimes: Shaping the Capabilities and Agency of Migrant Care/Domestic Workers in Sweden and Spain. International Meeting of Council of Europeanists: Contradictions: Envisioning European Futures, Paris, July 2015

Paper Presentation. Polices and Markets for Domestic Services: The Widening Gap in Capabilities for Worklife Balance? 6th International Community, Work and Family Conference. Malmö, Sweden, May 2015.

Plenary Panel: Capabilities and Agency for Work Life Balance – A Theoretical Framework. Fathers in Work Organizations: Inequalities and Capabilities, Rationalities and Politics: Center for Interdisciplinary Research, Bielefeld, Germany, March 2015