

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Date and place of birth February 14, 1967. Tartu, Estonia

Academic background and degrees:

1985-1990 MA (history), University of Tartu, Estonia

1993-1996 BA (social work), University of Stockholm, Sweden

1996-1997 M. Sc (Master of Science in Social Work), University of Stockholm, Sweden

1998-2006 Ph.D studies in Public Administration and Social Policy, University of Tartu, Estonia

Previous work experience/ Appointments:

Since August 2021... Professor in social work

Since January 2017-

July 2021

Head of department of Social Work, NTNU

Since January 2013 –

December 2016

Head of department of Social work and Health Science, NTNU

Since September 2013 Professor in social work, NTNU

Since September 2007 Associate Professor in social work, NTNU

Since December 2006 Associate Professor in social work, HIST

1997- 2007

Lecturer in social work at the University of Tartu; Estonia (from 2005 to 2007 with 20%)

1992- 1993

Adviser by Ministry of Social Affairs Estonia,

1990- 1992

Unit director by Ministry of Social Affairs Estonia.

Career Breaks:

November 2005-November 2006 Maternity leave

Research projects:

2021 -...

Project from NTNU for Innovation in Public sector- DIGISAM- *Digitalisation in Social work and Child welfare*. Collaboration project with Trondheim Municipality.

2016-2019

Practice development in NAV (Norwegian Welfare and labour Office) – Department of Welfare Grant (6 million NOK- co-applicant)

2014-2017

HASIC- *Healthy Ageing Supported by Interet and the Community*- EU grant with 5 countries.

2016-2020

UTFORSK Grant Global health and disability - a lifespan perspective

Other key academic experience/merits:

Invited scholar (during sabbatical period) at University of Tallinn from August to December 2022 and University of Tampere from January to May 2023.

Visiting and Invited scholar (One week to 10 days): University of Ljubljana (2020); University of Pune, India (2017 and 2019); University of Ostrava (2015 and 2018), ANU-Australian National University (2016), Vytauto Didžiojo Universitetas, Lithuania (2014)

Evaluation committee member or leader for academic positions approximately for 30 Positions (Associated professor or professor) in Norway, in Estonia, in Finland, in Denmark and in Sweden.

Research supervision and leadership experience:

From 2023	
September 2011-	Practice research in social work research group leader at NTNU
	Principal supervisor for 10 Doctoral students in social work, 3 of them ongoing and Co-supervisor of 2 Doctoral candidates in Health Science
2007-2022	Pre-examiner and Examiner of approximately for 15 doctoral Dissertation in social work and health science.
2016-2021	Doctoral thesis opponent in Norway (for 2 candidates), in Estonia (for 4 candidates) and in Finland (for 2 candidates)
2007-2010	Leader/manager of the HUSK research group
2016-2018	Leader/manager of the Practice development research project
1997-	Principal supervisor of approximately 60 Master's thesis in social work, health science and disability studies.

Awards:

2013-	NOKUT (The Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education) National education quality award for one of the best Interdisciplinary project in higher Education (Social work and Theatre/drama)
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Referee for scientific journals:

International Social Work, Comparative Social Work, Social work and Society, Nordic Social Work Research, European Journal of Social Work, Social Policy, Fontene Forskning, Tidsskrift for Velferdsforskning, Sotsiaaltöö, Haridus.

Position of Trust:

President of NASSW (Nordic association school of social work) from January 2025

Chairman for FORSA Norge, Norwegian Association for Social Work Research from November 2008-November 2012

Member of National council of Social Work at Norwegian Universities (UHR) since 2010 and coordinator from 2022.

Member of Editorial Board Estonian Social Work Journal *Sotsiaaltöö* since 2002;

Member of Editorial Board *Nordic Social Work Research Journal* 2012-2024

Member of ESWRA SIG (special interest group) in Practice research and gerontological social work since 2019

Track record

The total *number* of publications during the career.

- 20 articles in the international and national peer reviewed journals (+ 3 currently in review)
- 12 non-refereed articles in international and national scientific journals and other publications
- 6 scientific book chapters
- 5 developmental or research reports

Some publications: full list [Cristin](#)

Dyrendahl, H; Ellingsen, I; Kiik, R. (2025) Understanding substance use patterns among adolescent girls in Norway through the lens of mattering. *Nordic Studies on Alcohol and Drugs (NAD)*. Online first: <https://doi.org/10.1177/14550725241295453>

Sirotkina, R; Kiik, R; Kriisk, K; Mitendorf, A. (2023) Welfare policy statements during the mega-crisis: Challenges for Estonia. I: *Post-pandemic welfare and social work : Re-imagining the new normal*. Routledge s. 185-196.

Moe, A .& Kiik, R. (2022) Samarbejdsutfordring i praksisforskning- et norsk eksempel. I: *Praksisnær forskning i sosialt arbeid: nordiske perspektiver*. Frydenlund Academic 2022. s. 166-188.

Wenaas, M; Bahl, N Kavita Heggen; Kiik, R; Juberg, A. (2021) Patient Assessments of the Factors Facilitating and Impeding User Involvement During the First Phase of Substance Abuse Treatment. *Substance Abuse: Research and Treatment* 2021 ; Volum 15. s. 1-10.

Wenaas, M.; Andersson, H. Wessel; Kiik, R.; Juberg, A. (2021) User involvement in interprofessional team meetings within services for substance use disorders. *Nordic Studies on Alcohol and Drugs* s. 1-14.

Skjefstad, N. S., Kiik, R. & Sandoval, H. (2018). 'The role of social workers under neoliberal ideology at the Norwegian Labour and Welfare Service (NAV). I: Kamali, M. & Jönsson, J. H (red.) *Neoliberalism, Nordic Welfare States and Social Work: Current and Future Challenges*. Abingdon: Routledge

Førsund, L.H.; Skovdahl, K.; Kiik, R.; Ytrehus, S. (2015) The loss of a shared lifetime: a qualitative study exploring spouses' experiences of losing couplehood with their partner with dementia living in institutional care. *Journal of Clinical Nursing* 2015;Volum 24.(1-2) s. 121-130.