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### ***Academic employment***

2023–present	Associate Professor, Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2021–2023	Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2019–2021	Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2014–2015	Research Assistant, Centre for Military Studies, University of Copenhagen
2012–2014	Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen

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### ***Education***

2015–2019	PhD in Political Science (three-year programme), Aarhus University
	- 1 December 2015 - 30 November 2018. Defended 8 March 2019
	- Principal supervisor: Jakob Tolstrup. Co-supervisor: Svend-Erik Skaaning
	- Committee: Jacob G. Hariri, Jun Koga Sudduth, and Derek Beach (chair)
2011–2014	MSc in Political Science, University of Copenhagen & Aarhus University
2008–2011	BSc in Political Science, Aarhus University

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

1. Sakstrup, Casper & Henrikas Bartusevičius (2024). Group-Based Injustice, but Not Group-Based Economic Inequality, Predicts Political Violence Across 18 African Countries. *Social Psychological and Personality Science* 15 (7): 747–758. [link](#)
2. Sakstrup, Casper (2023). When Strength Becomes Weakness: Precolonial State Development, Monopoly on Violence, and Civil War. *Comparative Political Studies* 56 (14): 2131–2164. [link](#)
3. Sakstrup, Casper & Jakob Tolstrup (2022). To Intervene or Not to Intervene? Democratic Constraints on Third-Party Support in Civil Wars. *Government and Opposition* 57 (1): 126–147. [link](#).
4. Bokobza, Laure, Suthan Krishnarajan, Jacob Nyrup, Casper Sakstrup & Lasse Aaskoven (2022). The Morning After: Cabinet Instability and the Purging of Ministers after Failed Coup Attempts in Autocracies. *The Journal of Politics* 84 (3): 1437–1452. [link](#)
5. Sakstrup, Casper (2021). What's going on Next Door? Irregular leader change in neighboring countries, uncertainty, and civil war. *Journal of Peace Research* 58 (3): 539–553. [link](#)

6. Sakstrup, Casper & Kristina Jessen Hansen (2021). Revisiting the Emotion-Risk Interaction: Do Anger and Fear Moderate the Impact of Risk on Public Support for War? *International Journal of Public Opinion Research* 33 (4): 1012–1023. [link](#).

### **Dissertation**

7. Sakstrup, Casper (2019). *Third-party Involvement in Civil War: Causes and Consequences*, PhD Dissertation, Aarhus: Forlaget Politica. [link](#)

### **Reports**

8. Kristensen, Kristian Søby & Casper Sakstrup (2016). *Russian Policy in the Arctic after the Ukraine Crisis*, published in English and Danish, Copenhagen: Centre for Military Studies. [link](#)
9. Sakstrup, Casper, Johannes Kidmose & Jette Steen Knudsen (2015). *Samfundsansvar – Aktuel anvendelse i og fremtidig relevans for det danske forsvar af samfundsvarsbegrebet* [Corporate Social Responsibility – Current application and future relevance of the corporate social responsibility concept for the Danish Defence], Copenhagen: Centre for Military Studies. [link](#)

### **Work in progress**

10. Sakstrup, Casper & Kristina Jessen Hansen. (Ir)rational Responses to Costs in War? A New Conceptual Framework.
11. Qvist, Jeppe F., Subhasish Ray & Casper Sakstrup. Historical conflict and contemporary political violence in India.
12. Sakstrup, Casper & Jakob Tolstrup. The Dictator's Foreign Policy: Personalism and leader characteristics.
13. Florczak, Christoffer & Casper Sakstrup. Mapping small state diplomacy: Danish diplomat postings 1810 – 1922.
14. Sakstrup, Casper. Scenario research as a basis for policy recommendations: Potentials and Pitfalls.
15. Sakstrup, Casper. Kausalitet i scenarieforskning: Konsekvenser for udenrigs- og sikkerhedspolitiske analyser [Causality in Scenario Research: Consequences for Foreign and Security Policy Analyses].

### **Op-eds**

16. Sakstrup, Casper (2021). "Mens vi talte om corona", Weekendavisen, 9 March 2021.
17. Schaub, Gary & Casper Sakstrup (2014). "Hvorfor flyver russerne aggressivt over Østersøen?", Jyllands-Posten, 17 December 2014.
18. Sakstrup, Casper (2013). "Reform med tvivlsom gevinst", Jyllands-Posten, 28 November 2013.
19. Sakstrup, Casper (2009). "Hurra for det brede forsvarsforlig", Jyllands-Posten, 5 July 2009.

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**Teaching**

2025	Research Design. Lecturer. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2025	EU og International Politik [EU and International Relations]. Lecturer. BA course, 4th semester, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2024	International Politics and Diplomacy. Lecturer and coordinator. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2024	Research Design and Semester Project. Lecturer. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2024	EU og International Politik [EU and International Relations]. Lecturer. BA course, 4th semester, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2024	Politiske Institutioner [Political Institutions]. Lecturer and coordinator (with Dominik Schraff). BA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2024	Topical seminars within displacement, mobility and refugee studies. Lecturer. MA course. Global Refugee Studies (Copenhagen). Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2023	International Politics and Diplomacy. Lecturer and coordinator. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2023	Research Design and Semester Project. Lecturer. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2023	Politiske Institutioner [Political Institutions]. Lecturer and coordinator (with Dominik Schraff). BA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2023	International Politik [International Relations]. Lecturer. BA course, 5th semester, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2022	Research Design and Semester Project. Lecturer. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2022	International Politics and Diplomacy. Lecturer. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2022	International Politik [International Relations]. Lecturer. BA course, 5th semester, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2022	European Policies, Economics and Society. Lecturer. MA course, 10 ECTS. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2021	Contemporary International Conflicts. Lecturer. BA course, 5 ECTS, 3rd semester. Department of Culture and Learning, Aalborg University
2021	Political Institutions: Western Countries, the European Union and International Organizations. Teaching Assistant. Bachelor, 10 ECTS, 4th semester. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University

2020	Sammenlignende statskundskab: Stat, regimer, og udvikling [Comparative Political Science: State, Regimes, and Development]. Teaching Assistant. Bachelor, 10 ECTS, 3rd semester. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2020	Political Institutions: Western Countries, the European Union and International Organizations. Teaching Assistant and examiner. Bachelor, 10 ECTS, 4th semester. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2019	Sammenlignende statskundskab: Stat, regimer, og udvikling [Comparative Political Science: State, Regimes, and Development]. Teaching Assistant and examiner. Bachelor, 10 ECTS, 3rd semester. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2019	Political Institutions: Western Countries, the European Union and International Organizations. Teaching Assistant and examiner. Bachelor, 10 ECTS, 4th semester. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2017	Kvantitativ konfliktforskning: Intervention, krig og alliancer [Quantitative Conflict Research: Intervention, War, and Alliances]. Course coordinator, teacher, and examiner. Master, 10 ECTS. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2016	International politik [International Relations]. Teaching Assistant. Bachelor, 10 ECTS, 4th semester. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2013	International politik [International Relations]. Teaching Assistant. Bachelor, 20 ECTS, 5th semester. Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen
2012	International politik [International Relations]. Teaching Assistant. Bachelor, 20 ECTS, 5th semester. Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen

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### Courses

2022–2023	University Pedagogical Programme for assistant professors. AAU Learning Lab, Aalborg University
2021–2022	Competence Development in Social Data Science (CompUP). CALDISS and CLAUUDIA, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Aalborg University
2021	SwitchR. Course leader: Kristian Kjelmann. CALDISS, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Aalborg University
2021	Web scraping and text analysis using R. Course leader: Christoffer Florczak. Department of Politics and Society, Aalborg University
2017	Advanced Quantitative Empirical Methods. PhD course. Course leader: Allan Würtz. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2017	Causal Case Study Methodology – Small-n Research Designs. PhD course. Course leader: Derek Beach. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2016	Beyond OLS: Categorical, Choice, and Count Models. PhD and MA course. Course leader: Tobias Böhmelt. Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection, University of Essex, UK

2016	Mathematics for Social Scientists. PhD and MA course. Course leader: Christopher Saker. Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection, University of Essex, UK
2016	Academic Writing. PhD course. Course leader: Søren Johnson. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2016	The Dynamics of Civil War and International Conflict. PhD course. Course leaders: Scott Gates and J.T. Checkel. PRIO Research School on Peace and Conflict, Oslo, Norway
2016	Social Research as a Craft. PhD course. Course leaders: Robert Klemmensen and Kees van Kersbergen. Aarhus University and University of Southern Denmark
2012	Kursus i undervisningspædagogik [University Teaching Course]. The Teaching and Learning Unit of Social Sciences, University of Copenhagen

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#### ***Conference and workshop presentations***

2023	Workshop presentation. Inequality, Democracy, and Development. Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2023	Conference presentation. Danish Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Nyborg
2022	Workshop presentation. Workshop on Empirical Research in Peace and Conflict. The German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies and Aarhus University, Sandbjerg
2022	Conference presentation. Danish Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Nyborg
2021	Workshop presentation. Conflict and Regime Workshop, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2021	Conference presentation. Danish Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vejle
2020	Workshop presentation. Political Regimes and Their Correlates, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2019	Conference presentation. Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Lisbon, Portugal
2019	Conference presentation. Danish Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vejle
2018	Conference presentation. J Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, Verona, Italy
2018	Workshop presentation. Political Behavior Workshop, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2017	Workshop presentation. Workshop on International Dimensions of Political Instability and Conflict, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2017	Conference presentation. Danish Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vejle
2017	Conference presentation. International Studies Association Annual Convention, Baltimore, USA
2016	Conference presentation. American Political Science Association Annual Meeting & Exhibition, Philadelphia, USA
2016	Conference presentation. European Political Science Association General Conference, Brussels, Belgium

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### **Grants**

2020	Research grant for survey experiments (40,000 kr.), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2019	Research grant for survey experiments (45,000 kr.), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2018	Grant for research stay at University of Essex (15,000 kr.), Augustinus Fonden
2018	Grant for research stay at University of Essex (15,000 kr.), Knud Højgaards Fond
2018	Grant for research stay at University of Essex (10,000 kr.), Oticon Fonden

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### **Other academic activities**

2020–2021	Chair of the Postdoc and Assistant Professor group, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2018	Visiting Scholar (4 months), Department of Government, University of Essex, UK
2017	Co-organizer, two-day workshop on International Dimensions of Political Instability and Conflict, funded by the Conflict and Democratization project (CODE), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
2015	Fieldwork in Moscow. Interviewing Russian policy makers, journalists, and experts, together with Kristian Søby Kristensen for a report on Russian arctic policy.

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### **Media and outreach**

2024	Co-organizer and speaker, Perspektiver for fred i en konfliktfyldt verden [Perspectives for peace in a conflict-ridden world], public debate with researchers, practitioners, and politicians, Aalborg 13 March 2024. Arranged in collaboration with the Danish United Nations Association, Northern Jutland.
2022	Interview. Jacobsen, Johannes (2022). "Forsker: Der er kun to udveje for en diktator som Putin", Nordjyske, 14 March 2022. <a href="#">link</a>
2022	Speaker, Debat om krigen i Ukraine [Debate about the war in Ukraine], public debate with researchers, politicians and media, Aalborg 1 March 2022. Nordjyske and Aalborg University. <a href="#">link</a>

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### **Other job experiences**

2013–2014	Student Assistant, Centre for Military Studies, University of Copenhagen
2010–2013	Student Assistant & Project Responsible, Arla Foods global head office, Viby J.
2012	Intern (6 months), Political affairs section, Embassy of Denmark, Seoul, South Korea
2007	Conscripted Sailor (9 months), the Royal Yacht Dannebrog, Danish Navy

### ***Hobbies***

- Sailing
- Travelling
- Old cars and motorbikes