

CURRICULUM VITAE

SØREN MAU

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

- 2019 PhD in Philosophy, Department for the Study of Culture, University of Southern Denmark. Thesis: *Mute Compulsion: A Theory of the Economic Power of Capital*.
- 2017 Visiting PhD, Department of European and International Studies, King's College, University of London.
- 2015 Master of Arts, Philosophy, Aarhus University.
- 2013 Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, Aarhus University.

EMPLOYMENT

- 2020-2022 Postdoctoral Fellow, Centre for Philosophy and Critical Thought, Department of Sociology, Goldsmiths, University of London and Department of Arts and Cultural Studies, University of Copenhagen
- 2019-2020 Lecturer in Feminist Theory and the History of Philosophy, Department for the Study of Culture, University of Southern Denmark.
- 2018- External Examiner in Philosophy at Danish universities.
- 2016-2019 PhD Fellow, University of Southern Denmark.
- 2015- Freelance journalist and critic, *Dagbladet Information*.
- 2015 Teacher in Philosophy, Testrup Folk High School.
- 2013-2014 Teaching Assistant in the History of Philosophy, Aarhus University.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2021 Co-organiser of the sixth annual conference of the Danish Society of Marxist Studies, Aalborg University
- 2020 Co-organiser of the conference *Marx nu! 2020*, Copenhagen Business School
- 2020 Reviewer for the publisher Klim

- 2019- Member of the editorial board, *Historical Materialism. Research in Critical Marxist Theory*.
- 2019 Co-organiser of the conference *Marx nu! 2019*, Danish School of Education, Aarhus University
- 2019 Co-organiser of the conference *The Rule of All: Democracy in the 21st Century*, the Danish Institute in Athens.
- 2018 Reviewer for *Historical Materialism. Research in Critical Marxist Theory*.
- 2018 Co-organiser of the conference *Marx nu! 2018*, University of Southern Denmark.
- 2017 Co-organiser of the conference *Marx nu! 2017*, Roskilde University.
- 2016 Co-organiser of the conference *Marx nu! 2016*, Aarhus University.
- 2015- Member of the board, Danish Society of Marxist Studies.
- 2014-2015 Member of the board, Danish Society of Theoretical Psychoanalysis.
- 2011-2014 Member of the editorial board at Philosophia Press.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS:

- 2022 *Mute Compulsion: A Marxist Theory of the Economic Power of Capitalism*. New York & London: Verso Books. (Forthcoming, November 2022)
- 2021 *Stum tvang: en marxistisk undersøgelse af kapitalismens økonomiske magt*. Aarhus: Klim
- 2021 *Stummer Zwang: Eine marxistische Analyse der ökonomischen Macht im Kapitalismus*. Translated by Christian Frings. Berlin: Karl Dietz Verlag.

JOURNAL ARTICLES:

- 2021 ‘The Mute Compulsion of Economic Relations’: Towards a Marxist Theory of the Abstract and Impersonal Power of Capital, *Historical Materialism: Research in Critical Marxist Theory*, 29(3). (e-pub ahead of print)
- 2020 Forord: Klima, magt, modstand [Preface: Climate, Power, Resistance], with Elisabeth Friis, Stefan Gaardsmand Jacobsen, Torsten Bøgh Thomsen og Signe Leth Gammelgaard, *K&K – Kultur og Klasse*, issue 129, pp. 3-7.
- 2018 Kommunale eder [Communal Oaths], pp. 109-128 in: *K&K – Kultur og Klasse*, issue 126
- 2018 Den dobbelte fordrejning: fetichismebegrebet i kritikken af den politiske økonomi [The Double Inversion: The Concept of Fetishism in the Critique of Political Economy], pp. 103-122 in: *Slagmark. Tidsskrift for Idéhistorie*, issue 77
- 2018 The Transition to Capital in Marx’s Critique of Political Economy, pp. 68-102 in: *Historical Materialism. Research in Critical Marxist Theory*, 26(1)
- 2017 Fra væsen til stofskifte: Marx’ arbejdsbegreber [From Essence to Metabolism: Marx’s Concepts of Labour], pp. 95-111 in: *Slagmark. Tidsskrift for Idéhistorie*, issue 76

- 2016 Freudomarxismen – Hvad var det? Hvad gik galt? [Freudo-Marxism—What was it? What went wrong?], pp. 102-122 in: *Lamella. Tidsskrift for teoretisk psykoanalyse*, issue 1
- 2015 Om parlamentarismekritikkens potentialer [On the Potentials of the Critique of Parliamentarism], pp. 171-177 in: *Slagmark. Tidsskrift for Idéhistorie*, issue 72
- 2014 Kant’s “Tenderness for the World”, pp. 59-78 in: *TIDskrift*, issue 4
- 2012 Kærligheden til markedet – en lacaniansk undersøgelse af diskursen om markedet [Love for the Market—A Lacanian Analysis of the Discourse of the Market], in *TIDskrift*, issue 1

BOOK CHAPTERS:

- 2021 ‘Hvad er levende og hvad er dødt i marxismen?’ [‘What’s Living and What’s Dead in Marxism?’], in Ziegler, Magnus Møller; Nygaard, Bertel; Bek-Thomsen, Jakob (eds.): *Kapitalen på dansk*, Århus: Slagmark. (forthcoming)
- 2021 The Body, in Bromberg, Svenja; Skeggs, Beverly; Farris, Sara R.; Toscano, Alberto (eds.): *The SAGE Handbook of Marxism*, California: SAGE (forthcoming)
- 2016 Det er ikke nødvendigt at leve i nødvendighed [It is not Necessary to Live in Necessity], pp. 224-253 in: Rasmussen, Anders Moe and Ziethen, Morten (ed.): *System, frihed og virkelighed*. Århus: Philosophia. (Co-authored with Henrik Jøker Bjerre)
- 2013 Den universelle indbydelse: Kierkegaard med Badiou [The Universal Invitation: Kierkegaard with Badiou], pp. 19-46 in: Mau, Søren and Hansen, Brian Benjamin (ed.): *Kierkegaard gentaget*, Århus: Philosophia.
- 2013 Forord [Preface], pp. 9-17 in: Mau, Søren and Hansen, Brian Benjamin (ed.): *Kierkegaard gentaget*, Århus: Philosophia. (Co-authored with Brian Benjamin Hansen)

EDITED VOLUMES:

- 2020 Special issue (vol. 129) on ‘Klima, magt, modstand’ (‘Climate, Power, Resistance’) of *K&K: Kultur og Klasse*, co-edited with Stefan Gaardsmand Jacobsen, Torsten Bøgh Thomsen, Elisabeth Friis and Signe Leth Gammelgaard.
- 2013 *Kierkegaard gentaget [Kierkegaard Repeated]*, co-edited with Brian Benjamin Hansen, Århus: Philosophia Press
- 2013 Friedrich Wilhelm Joseph Schelling: *Filosofiske undersøgelser om den menneskelige friheds væsen og de dermed sammenhængende genstande*, co-edited with Anders Moe Rasmussen, Århus: Philosophia Press

TRANSLATIONS:

- 2020 Riddle, Amy: *Petrofiktion og politisk økonomi i den sene fossile kapitals tidsalder* (translation from English to Danish of ‘Petrofiction and Political

- Economy in the Age of Late Fossil Capital'), with Anna Cornelia Ploug and Torsten Bøgh Thomsen, in *K&K – Kultur og Klasse*, issue 129
- 2012 G.W.F. Hegel, F.W.J. Schelling and/or J.C.F. Hölderlin: Den tyske idealismes ældste systemprogram (translation from German to Danish of 'Das älteste Systemprogramm des deutschen Idealismus'), with Søren Riis, in *TIDskrift*. Reprinted in Hölderlin, Friedrich: *Urdel. Digte, skrifter og breve*, edited by Jørn Erslev Andersen, Skive: Wunderbuch 2020.

NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS:

- 2015 *Hæv stemmen! [Raise Your Voice!]*, Copenhagen: Nemo Publishing

ARTICLES AND ESSAYS:

- 2015- More than 90 essays, book reviews, interviews, etc. about philosophy, politics, economics, social movements, history, gender, ecology, etc. in *Dagbladet Information*. (see: information.dk/soeren-mau)
- 2017 Kapitalens stratigrafiske signaturer [The Stratigraphic Signatures of Capital], *Eftertryk* (eftertrykket.dk)
- 2016 Når krisen tager magten [When the Crisis Assumes Power], *Ødipus og Antigone* (programme for a play at the Royal Danish Theatre).
- 2015 Erfaringer fra kampen mod det kommercialiserede universitet [Experiences from the Struggle Against the Commercialised University], *Det Ny Clarté*, 28 (co-authored with Esben Bøgh Sørensen)
- 2015 Hvad er det i grunden, der er så fantastisk ved at have et arbejde? [What is really so wonderful about having a job?], *Politiken*, February 17.
- 2014 Højrefløjens succes skyldes venstrefløjens mangler [The Success of the Right is the Result of the Failure of the Left], with Esben Bøgh Sørensen, *Modkraft*, May 30.
- 2014 Uddannelse er mere end kroner og øre [Education is more than a question of money], *Politiken*, January 3.

BOOK CHAPTERS:

- 2018 Byen i kapitalens strøm [The City in the Stream of Capital], pp. 55-60 in: Bypolitisk organisering (ed.): *Bidrag til en nær bykritik*
- 2015 Forord [Preface], pp. 7-13 in: Mau, Søren (ed.): Center for Vild Analyse: *85 vilde klummer*, Århus: Forlaget Findes.

EDITED VOLUMES:

- 2015 Center for Vild Analyse: *85 vilde klummer*, Århus: Forlaget Findes

PAPERS AND TALKS

- 2021 On *Stummer Zwang*, Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung, November 11.
- 2021 ‘Marxism and the Body’, Capital, Climate, Crisis: the 6th annual conference of the Danish Society for Marxist Studies, Aalborg University, October 2
- 2021 Panel discussion on Marxist research in Denmark at the seminar ‘*Capital in Danish*’, Aarhus University, June 11
- 2021 ‘Alienation or Power? On the Marxist Critique of Technology’, Seminar on Stig Børsen Hansen’s *Philosophers of Technology*, University of Southern Denmark, March 19
- 2021 ‘Mute Compulsion: Capitalism and Power’, talk at the research group ‘Pedagogy, Culture and Leadership’, University of Southern Denmark, January 20
- 2020 On Marx and the Body, Network for Critical Psychology, University of Southern Denmark, November 18.
- 2019 ‘On the Concept of Capital’, Berliner Verein zur Förderung der MEGA-edition, Berlin, November 25.
- 2018 ‘Corporeal Organisation: Marx’s Analysis of the Human Body’, *15th Annual Historical Materialism Conference*, SOAS, University of London, November 11.
- 2017 ‘The Transcendental Power of Capital’, *14th Annual Historical Materialism Conference*, SOAS, University of London, November 9.
- 2017 ‘The Power of Capital’, *Popular Sovereignty and the Will of the People*, the Danish Institute in Athens, September 12.
- 2017 ‘On Value and Class’, *Marx nu! 2017*, Roskilde University, September 2.
- 2016 ‘The Ideology of Crisis’, *Marx2016: International Conference of Contemporary Marxist Thought*, Stockholm, October 15.
- 2016 ‘Krisens ideologi’ [The Ideology of Crisis], Symposium, University of Southern Denmark, September 15.
- 2016 ‘Overgangen til kapital i Marx’ kritik af den politiske økonomi’ [The Transition to Capital in Marx’s Critique of Political Economy], *Annual Meeting of the Danish Society for Philosophy*, University of Copenhagen, March 5.
- 2015 On Reinhold’s *Neue Darstellung der Hauptmomente der Elementarphilosophie*, The Idealism Circle, Aarhus University, October 6
- 2015 On Marx’s *1844 Manuscripts*, The Idealism Circle, Aarhus University, April.
- 2014 ‘Freudo-Marxisme: Hvad var det, og hvad gik galt?’ [Freudo-Marxism: What was it, and what went wrong?], *The Nine Lives of Psychoanalysis*, Danish School of Education, Aarhus University, December 12.
- 2014 On Absolute Knowledge in Hegel’s *Phenomenology*, with Kresten Lundsgaard-Leth, The Idealism Circle, Aarhus University, December 9.
- 2014 ‘Hvad er kommunisme?’ [What is Communism?], Filosofisk Studenterkollokvium, Aarhus University, May 2.
- 2013 On F.W.J. Schelling’s *Weltalter Manuscripts*, The Idealism Circle, Aarhus University, April 9.

- 2012 “Ømhed for verden’—Hegel om Kants antinomier’ [‘Tenderness for the World’—Hegel on Kant’s Antinomies], Filosofisk Studenterkollokvium, Aarhus University, September 28
- 2011 ‘Kærligheden til markedet—en lacaniansk undersøgelse af diskursen om markedet’ [Love for the Market—A Lacanian Analysis of the Discourse of the Market], Filosofisk Studenterkollokvium, Aarhus University, November 11.

GRANTS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2020 Award for the best PhD dissertation at the Faculty of Humanities in the academic year 2019-2020, University of Southern Denmark
- 2019 International Postdoctoral Grant, Independent Research Fund Denmark
- 2019 Writing Retreat at Krogerup Folk High School
- 2017 Travel grant, Oticon Foundation
- 2017 Travel grant, Augustinus Foundation
- 2017 Travel grant, Knud Højgaard Foundation

TEACHING

- 2019 Filosofiens historie 1 [The History of Philosophy 1], University of Southern Denmark (BA module).
- 2019 Filosofiens historie 2 [The History of Philosophy 2], University of Southern Denmark (BA module).
- 2019 Feministisk teori [Feminist Theory], University of Southern Denmark (MA module)
- 2018 Kritik [Critique], University of Southern Denmark (MA module).
- 2016 Politisk filosofi [Political Philosophy], University of Southern Denmark (BA module).
- 2016 Fortolkning i kontekst [Interpretation in Context], University of Southern Denmark (MA module).
- 2016 Projektuge [Project week], University of Southern Denmark (BA module)
- 2015 Ideologi og kapitalismekritik [Ideology and the Critique of Capitalism], Testrup Folk High School.
- 2014 Filosofiens historie 2 [The History of Philosophy 2], Aarhus University (BA module) (as teaching assistant).
- 2013 Filosofiens historie 1 [The History of Philosophy 1], Aarhus University (BA module) (as teaching assistant).

DISSEMINATION, MEDIA, DEBATES, ETC.

INTERVIEWS:

- 2021 'Kapitalismeforsker: Cepas-typerne må gerne grine, bare de husker, at den, der ler sidst, ler bedst', *Politiken* (newspaper), September 25
- 2021 'Kapitalismen har intet hoved at kappe af', *Solidaritet* (online media), September 24
- 2021 'Ny bog: "Mere end nogensinde er kapitalismen ved at underminere grundlaget for menneskeliv"', *Bogfolk, Politiken* (Podcast), September 24
- 2021 'Den marxistiske kritik er tilbage', *Deadline, DR2* (TV), September 20
- 2021 'Karl Marx i dag', *Kraniebrud, Radio4*, July 22
- 2021 'Marx og menneskets kropslige organisation', *Turbulens*, February
- 2019 'Socialismen er blevet voksen og har tænkt sig om', *Dagbladet Information*, November 9
- 2019 'Alle verdens største problemer er én og samme krise, mente Marx. Og derfor er selv kapitalister begyndt at læse ham igen.' *Zetland*, October 9
- 2019 'De røde står til at få et kanonvalg. Men om det fører til rød politik, er mere usikkert', *Dagbladet Information*, June 1.
- 2018 On Karl Marx, *P1 Morgen* (radio), April 30.
- 2018 On Karl Marx, *Supertanker, P1* (radio), April 30.
- 2018 'Er Karl Marx værd at gemme på?', *Ny viden* (university magazine), March.
- 2017 On Karl Marx and *Capital*, *DR2 Dagen* (TV), September 15.
- 2017 On the Ideology of the Anthropocene, *Pakzads polemik, Radio 24syv* (radio), August 8.
- 2017 'I et venstrefløjsmedie kan man gå direkte til det vigtige', *Modkraft*, January 30.
- 2017 'Afstanden mellem venstrefløjen og folks hverdagsliv er blevet for stor', *Dagbladet Information* (newspaper), January 13.
- 2015 On the Danish general election, with Mikkel Bolt, *Mikrofonholder, Radio 24syv*, June 18
- 2015 'Stemmeprocenten skal ned på nul!', *Politiken*, June 16.
- 2015 'Valgets diktatur', *Mandag Morgen*, April 20.
- 2015 On the general elections, *P1 Eftermiddag*, April 20.
- 2015 On the general elections, *Det Røde Felt, Radio 24syv*, April 6.
- 2015 On student protests, *Det Røde Felt, Radio 24syv*, January 5.
- 2014 Several interviews in radio, TV and newspapers as spokesperson for the student movement 'Et andet universitet'.

TALKS AND LECTURES:

- 2021 'What does it mean to say that climate change is "anthropogenic"?', *Løgumkloster Folk High School*, October 6
- 2021 On the corporeal roots of historicity, *Testrup Folk High School*, June 10
- 2020 On capitalism and climate change, *Omtanke: rød og grøn debat, Copenhagen*, March 5

- 2019 'The Economic Crisis', Folkeuniversitetet, September 30 and November 20
- 2019 'The Mute Compulsion of Capital', *Próblema*, Copenhagen, October 16.
- 2018 'Når det gamle ikke vil dø og det nye ikke kan fødes' [When the old won't die and the new cannot be born], *#Spoken18*, Odense, August 23.
- 2018 'On Political Interventions', Institut for Vild Analyse, Aarhus, June 23.
- 2018 Karl Marx and the Concept of Fetishism, Løve's Bog- og Vincafé, Aarhus, June 8.
- 2017 Revolution and Revolt, Eksistensfilosofisk akademi, Central Library of Copenhagen, May 1.
- 2017 On Democracy and the Danish Political System, Det Frie Gymnasium, Copenhagen, March 22.
- 2016 The Ideology of Crisis, University of Southern Denmark, April 30.
- 2015 On 'Et andet universitet', Danish School of Education, Aarhus University, October 2 and 9.
- 2015 Hæv stemmen! [Raise Your Voice!], Testrup Folk High School, October 27.
- 2015 On general elections and anti-capitalist strategy, International Forum, August 14.
- 2015 On Alain Badiou, Folkeuniversitetet, Copenhagen, June 10.
- 2015 Hæv stemmen! [Raise Your Voice!], Jyderup Folk High School, June 3.
- 2015 Hæv stemmen! [Raise Your Voice!], Ry Folk High School, June 1.
- 2015 Hæv stemmen! [Raise Your Voice!], Testrup Folk High School, April 27.
- 2015 On parliamentarism, Marxist Students, April 3.
- 2015 On student protests, Roskilde University, March 31.
- 2013 On Søren Kierkegaard, with Brian Benjamin Hansen, Golden Days Festival, Copenhagen, September 16.