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Academic Profile

I am an environmental historian in the final year of my Ph.D. at the Greenhouse Center for Environmental Humanities, University of Stavanger. My present research focuses on toxic waste, chemical pollution, and environmental justice in Denmark and beyond, while increasingly taking an interest in conceptual, bureaucratic, and technological intersections with climate and the environment. I have a strong commitment to public dissemination and collaborations across disciplines and initiated partnerships with visual and sound artists. I have experience with organizational work as a Ph.D. representative at the Ethical Committee at the University of Stavanger, as a member of The Greenhouse Board, and a part of the European Society for Environmental History NEXTGATe 2023-2025 cohort. I am the co-establisher of the “Danish Network for Modern Environmental History” and the co-founder and host of the podcast “Challenging Nordic Innocence.”

Academic Employment

2019-2020 – Student Assistant at CoRE – Copenhagen Centre for Health Research in the Humanities

2018 – Teaching Assistant in the course “IT, Globalization and Culture” at the IT-University in Copenhagen

2015-2018 – Student Assistant at the digitalization project “Danmark set fra Luften” at the Danish Royal Library, Copenhagen

Education

2021- PhD, Dep. of Language and Culture, University of Stavanger.

2018-2020 MA, History, UCPH (minor in Anthropology)

2015-2018 BA, History, UCPH (minor in Anthropology).

Publication List

Published:

Sebastian Lundsteen, “Shadow Places, Environmental Justice, and the Submergence of Pollution,” *Environmental History* (Spring 2024) <https://doi.org/10.1086/729382>.

Sebastian Lundsteen. Review of Cirino, Erica, *Thicker Than Water: The Quest for Solutions to the Plastic Crisis*. H-Environment, H-Net Reviews. December, 2022. <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=58121>

Sebastian Lundsteen, “Of Ghost Nets and the Haunting at Nissum Bredning.” *Environment & Society Portal, Arcadia* (Spring 2022), no. 3. Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society. [doi:10.5282/rcc/9392](https://doi.org/10.5282/rcc/9392).

Sebastian Lundsteen Nielsen, “Mellem Klima Og Udvikling: En Postkolonial Undersøgelse af et Klimapolitisk Grønland.” *Culture & History KU: Student Research Papers* 0, no. 5 (October 19, 2020). <https://tidsskrift.dk/culturehistoryku/article/view/122511>.

Accepted:

Sebastian Lundsteen, “In Praise of Ambivalence: Reflections on Experiences of Pollution and Remediation.” In *Ambivalences of Ecological Transformation: Perspectives from the Environmental Humanities*.

Melina Antonia Buns & Sebastian Lundsteen, “Perspectives on Environmental Justice in Scandinavian Green Transitions.” In *Green Transitions*

Sebastian Lundsteen, “Not True, Not Not True: Rumours about Pollution in Denmark.” Submitted (Abstract accepted)

Grants, Scholarships and Awards

2023	Received an initial 30.000 € with an added 116.000 € from Andrea von Braun Stiftung for the “Troubled Waters” Graphic Novel Trilogy if certain requirements are fulfilled.
2023	Visiting Scholar at Penn Program for Environmental Humanities at the University of Pennsylvania
2023	Ph.D. Mobility Scholarship Grant, University of Stavanger, 114.000 NOK
2022	Workshop: Perspectives on Environmental Justice in Scandinavian Green Transitions, University of Stavanger, 90.000 NOK
2021	PhD-scholarship, University of Stavanger, 1.586.860 NOK

Conferences, Seminars, Workshops.

I have participated in approximately 20 seminars, conferences, and workshops in Europe, functioning both as presenter and session chair. Among them European Society of Environmental History and the Inaugural Conference for the Doctoral Program in Environmental Humanities at Augsburg/Rachel Carson Center. Furthermore, in the summer of 2023, I have been invited to several roundtables ranging from “Sustainable Academia,” “Critical Data Justice and Environmental Justice,” and “Developing New Perspectives on Danish Environmental History.” Furthermore, in the fall of 2023, I was an invited speaker to the “Mis/placing matter: Vertical Practices and (hi)stories of Power” workshop in Augsburg and offered to facilitate a class teaching on Environmental Justice at the University of Drexel, Pennsylvania.

International networks

My international network extends into Norway and Denmark, having established close affiliations with the Centre for Sustainable Futures and Center for Applied Ecological Thinking at UCPH, Oslo School for Environmental Humanities, as well as numerous research projects.

I have co-founded “Toxicity Research Network,” convening members from India, Germany, the UK, Cuba, Germany, Brazil, and the Netherlands. As part of “Historians for Future,” I have established ties to US researchers, senior scholars, and early career researchers.

During my time at The Greenhouse, I have hosted numerous scholars, for example, Sarah Elkind, Professor of Environmental History, President of the American Society of Environmental History and co-founder of “The Women's Environmental History Network,” Marianna Dudley, Senior Lecturer in Environmental Humanities and Vice President of European Society for Environmental History and Jennifer Telesca, Associate Professor of Environmental Governance at Radboud University. I have a close and ongoing connection with Professor in Global History Simone Müller, who commented on my dissertation at my midway seminar.

As a visiting scholar at the University of Pennsylvania’s Program for Environmental Humanities I am mentored by Bethany Wiggin, Professor of German and Founding Director of the Program. Further, I am connecting with Gwen Ottinger, Professor of Political Science and Director of the Fairtech Collective and present my work at the “Drexel Center for Science, Technology and Society.”

Responsibilities

- 2022- PhD-representative at the Research Ethical Committee, UiS.
- 2022- PhD-representative at the Advisory Board for The Greenhouse – An Environmental Humanities Centre at the UiS

Other

- 2023- Co-founder of the “Danish Network for Modern Environmental History”
- 2023- Co-founder and co-host on the podcast “Challenging Nordic Innocence”
- 2023- Member of “Det Grønne Forskningsnetværk” (The Green Research Network)
- 2023- Social and Spatial Justice Network at the University of Stavanger
- 2022 - 2023 Co-founder of TReN, Toxicity Research Network (Now on hiatus)
- 2021- Member of Historians for Future
- 2021- Member of Norwegian Researcher School in the Environmental Humanities
- 2021- Peer-reviewed for the following journals *Arcadia: Explorations in Environmental History*, *Water History*, *Anthropology and Aging*, and *H-Net: Humanities and Social Sciences Online*
- 2021- Member of Norwegian Researcher School in Environmental Humanities

Language Skills

Danish (mother tongue), Norwegian, Swedish, English (proficient), German, and Dutch (elementary).