

**Michael Hockenhull**  
**Curriculum Vitae**



**Personal Details**

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**CV Resume**

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I hold a Ph.D. from the IT University of Copenhagen and a BA and MA in Philosophy from the University of Copenhagen, with a specialisation in theoretical philosophy (epistemology, philosophy of science, metaphysics). I have an interdisciplinary background, but my research focuses on studying how digital technologies are constructed and implemented from an STS perspective. My Ph.D. research examined the role played by speculation with regards to the use of data in and between the public and private sectors in Denmark.

I have worked primarily in academia, both as a researcher but also as a lab manager and guidance counsellor. As lab manager I was part of founding and operating the ETHOS Lab at the IT University of Copenhagen, a lab for experimental interdisciplinary research and teaching. I also have a substantial amount of teaching experience, having taught both before, during and after my dissertation research. I am a skilled communicator and take a lot of pride in making abstract concepts tangible to my students.

After having handed in my dissertation in July 2020, I took up a Postdoc position at the IT University of Copenhagen. Here I have been teaching and contributing to my research group, *Technologies in Practice* and am a member of the newly formed *Centre for Digital Welfare*. I successfully defended my Ph.D. dissertation in October 2020.

As a person I am forthcoming, optimistic, organised and a team-player. I enjoy challenging tasks, but the quality of my work is also very important to me, so it is essential that the extent of the task be balanced with the available resources.

**Scientific Focus Areas**

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Science and technology studies, ethnography, data visualization, speculative design, political economy, digital methods, digital humanities, information infrastructures, philosophy of software

## **Present and Past Employment**

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2020 - 2021	Postdoc, IT University of Copenhagen
2017 - 2020	PhD Fellow, IT-University of Copenhagen ( <i>Data as Relation</i> research project)
2015 - 2016	Scientific assistant / Lab Manager, ETHOS Lab, IT University of Copenhagen
2014 - 2015	Assistant Lecturer, IT University of Copenhagen
2013 – 2015	Teaching assistant, IT University of Copenhagen

## **Education**

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2020	Ph.D. at the IT University of Copenhagen (07.10.2020)
2019	Fourth International Summer School on Computer Supported Cooperative Work (PhD Course)
2019	International Graduate Seminar and Workshop: Landscapes of Cohabitation
2019	Research stay at Osaka University. Contact: Professor Atsuro Morita
2018	Continental Philosophy of Technoscience Summer School (PhD Course)
2018	Digital Methods Summer School 2018: “Retraining the machine: Addressing algorithmic bias” (PhD Course)
2017	Introductory Teacher Development Programme (PhD Course)
2016	Summer School of the International Algorithms Studies Network
2015	FORCCAST Summer School for the Cartography and Pedagogy of Controversies
2015	MA in Philosophy, w. specialization in theoretical philosophy, at the University of Copenhagen (25.08.15)
2014	FORCCAST Summer School for the Cartography and Pedagogy of Controversies
2011	BA in Philosophy at the University of Copenhagen (23.09.2011). Study abroad at Yonsei University, South Korea.

## **List of Publications and Appearances**

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*Paper: “Speculative Data Work & Dashboards: Designing Alternative Data Visions”*

Submitted to the CSCW 2020 conference and proceedings.

Authors: Hockenull, Michael; Cohn, Marisa

Accepted; forthcoming

*Conference paper: “Rename and resist colonial extraction: Twitter’s toponymic politics”*

Submitted AoIR 2020 conference

Authors: Karsgaard, Carrie; MacDonald, Maggie; Hockenull, Michael

Accepted; online presentation in Oct. 2020

*Paper: “Hot air & corporate sociotechnical imaginaries: Performing and translating digital futures in the Danish tech scene”*

Submitted to special issue on “Future Imaginaries” in *New Media & Society*, edited by Astrid Mager and Christian Katzenbach  
Authors: Michael Hockenhull, Marisa Cohn  
Accepted; forthcoming

*Workshop: Nordic Perspectives on Algorithms II (NOS-HS)*  
Hockenhull, Michael, 2019, “Game Design with Methods.” Hosted workshop on how to use game design as a (speculative) method for thinking about algorithms.

*Talk: “Landscapes of Cohabitation” & Speculative Dashboards*  
Hockenhull, Michael, 2019, oral trip report at the TiP Salon on participation in the Landscapes of Cohabitation course, research stay at Osaka University and development of research ideas.

*Lexicon entry: Digital responsibility*  
Hockenhull, Michael; Winthereik, Brit Ross; text contributed to the TiP concept lexicon.

*Talk: speculating digitalisation, infrastructure and design for more-than-technical futures*  
Hockenhull, Michael, 2019, presentation given at the International Graduate Seminar and Workshop “Landscapes of Cohabitation,” hosted at Osaka University

*Talk: Perspektiver på data og organisationen*  
Hockenhull, Michael, 2019, 2-day presentation and workshop for employees in the “datasprinter”-project at the Municipality of Copenhagen.

*Paper: “A Bestiary of Digital Monsters”*  
Published in “Living with Monsters? Social Implications of Algorithmic Phenomena, Hybrid Agency, and the Performativity of Technology”, edited by Ulrike Schultze, Margunn Aanestad, Magnus Mähring, Carsten Østerlund, Kai Riemer.  
Authors: Rachel Douglas-Jones, John Mark Burnett, Marisa Cohn, Christopher Gad, Michael Hockenhull, Bastian Jørgensen, James Maguire, Mace Ojala, and Brit Ross Winthereik  
2018; Springer

*Conference: EASST in Lancaster, UK*  
Hockenhull, Michael, 2018, “Disconcerting (big) data futures through data sprints” at The public imagination of the future.

*Photo article: ITU Laboratory Life*  
Hockenhull, Michel; Nedergaard Møller, Martin; 2018

*Conference: DASTS in Copenhagen, DK*  
Hockenhull, Michael, 2018, “The Data Sprint as Ethnographic Probe” at Panel 4.1

*Talk: sit down and code*

Hockenhull, Michael; Jørgensen, Bastian; Ojala, Mace; Burnett, John Mark, 2018; presentation at ITU at the TiP Salon.

*Blog post: Keeping Computation Open For Interpretation*

Geiger, Stuart; Jørgensen, Bastian; Hockenhull, Michael; Ojala, Mace; 2017;  
<https://ethos.itu.dk/2018/04/16/keeping-computation-open-for-interpretation/>

*Blog post: Rig Data – En fortolkende tilgang giver data værdi*

Hockenhull, Michael; Winthereik, Brit Ross; 2017; <https://ethos.itu.dk/2017/12/20/rig-data-en-fortolkende-tilgang-giver-data-vaerdi/>

*Talk: data as relation*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2017; presentation for the “Big Data Business Innovation” course at DTU.

*Talk: Data as relation og Datasprint*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2017; presentation and workshop for the Municipality of Copenhagen’s Business Intelligence Network.

*Conference: 4S in Boston, US*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2017; “The Widening Gyre of Data Infrastructure Development” at Tinkering with Data: Intersections between Critical Data Studies and Digital Methods.

*Paper Presentation: Peopling 'Europe' through Data Practices*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2017; "Smart city citizens - How database infrastructures count and enact citizens differently"

*Blog post: ETHOS Summer Lab Retrospective*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2016; <https://ethos.itu.dk/2016/10/04/ethos-summer-lab-retrospective/>

*Blog post: Computational Thinking: When the computer says so...*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2015; <https://ethos.itu.dk/2015/11/09/computational-thinking-when-the-computer-say-so/>

*Blog post: A lab by any other name?*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2015; <https://ethos.itu.dk/2015/09/18/a-lab-by-any-other-name/>

*MA Thesis: Mapping the impact of the humanities?*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2015; “Mapping the Impact of the humanities? Exploring the potential of experimental digital methodologies for understanding the impact, value and nature of the humanities.”; University of Copenhagen MA thesis.

*Conference Poster: “Kontroverskortlægning”*

Presented at Danish e-infrastructure Cooperation’s annual conference, 2014.

Hockenhull, Michael; 2014; Kontroverskortlægning; Copenhagen; DeiC (Danish e-infrastructure Cooperation) Conference 2014, <http://www.deic.dk/node/578>.

*Speculative Realism – Graham Harman and the Object-Oriented Ontology (Article)*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2013; “Spekulativ Realisme – Graham Harman og den Objekt-Orienteret Ontologi”; Copenhagen; Tanken 11, 34-40, <http://tankenonline.blogspot.dk/p/arkiv.html>.

*Speculative Realism – An introduction (Article)*

Hockenhull, Michael; 2012; “Spekulativ Realisme – En introduction”; Copenhagen; Tanken 10, 6-11, <http://tankenonline.blogspot.dk/p/arkiv.html>.

**Review activities**

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2020	Review: STS Encounters Special Issue – The Data Moment
2020	Review: New Media and Society
2019	Review: CHI Conference 2020
2018	<i>Review: Discourse Special Issue – Politics by other means: STS and research in education</i>
2017	<i>Review: “Tidsskriftet Politik”</i>
2016	<i>Review: CHI Conference 2016</i>

**Volunteer work**

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2020-	<i>TiP Writing Workshop</i> Coordinator of a bi-semesterly writing workshop for the Technologies in Practice research group at the IT University of Copenhagen.
2019-	<i>BiT Junior</i> Coordinator of BiT Junior, a group in the Department of Business IT (BiT) at the IT University of Copenhagen organized to provide a space for junior academic staff and researchers to discuss professional topics and issues.
2014-2018	<i>Copenhagen Association for Digital Methods</i> Member and chair of the board of this organisation, the task of which was to spread the use of and knowledge about digital methods in Denmark. A central part of the organisation was also the collaboration around inter-university infrastructures for hosting digital methods tools.

**Language skills**

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Danish	Mother tongue/Native
English	“Father tongue”/Native

German  
Japanese

Beginner spoken and written  
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