

Curriculum Vitae

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Education and academic degrees

1999 Dissertation, Department of Human and Economic Geography School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg
2003 Senior lecturer, Department of Human and Economic Geography School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg
2020 Associate Professor (Docent) in Human Geography, Department of Economy and Society, Unit for Human Geography, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg

Employment

2003 → Senior lecturer, Department of Human and Economic Geography School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg

Leadership qualifications

2010 - 2012 Head of Department for the Department of Human and Economic Geography, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg.
2012 – 2014 Deputy Head of Department, Unit leader for Human Geography Department of Economy and Society, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg.
2017 – 2018 Director of undergraduate studies at the Unit for Human Geography, Department of Economy and Society, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg.
2018 – 2020 Deputy Head of Department, Unit leader for Human Geography, Department of Economy and Society, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg.
2021 – 2024 Head of Unit for Human Geography, Department of Economy and Society, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg
2024 Director of undergraduate studies at the Unit for Human Geography, Department of Economy and Society, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg.

Awards and special commissions

2006 – 2010 Member of the board of the Education section of the Royal Cartographic Society of Sweden.
2012 – 2017 Swedish Ambassador for the Regional Studies Association.
2012 – 2017 Member of the board of NoRSA, Nordic Section of the Regional Studies Association

Research projects and funding

- 2025 – 2026 Understanding the drivers that can advance or block change towards sustainable public mobility in urban planning practice. Financed by K2. Total budget 350.000 SEK. Role: Co-applicant, Project leader, Researcher.
- 2024 – 2027 Paths to an accelerated sustainability transition of leisure travel: Socially including low carbon mobility in young people's organised leisure activities. Financed by Energimyndigheten. Total budget 3,5 MSEK. Role: Main applicant, researcher.
- 2022 – 2024 Target group-adapted mobility – reduced energy usage outside the dense city. Financed by Energimyndigheten. Total budget 6 MSEK. Role: Co-applicant, WP-leader, researcher
- 2020 – 2024 Mistra Sport and Outdoors. - Towards Sustainable Sport and Outdoor Recreation. Financed by Mistra. Total budget: 70 MSEK. Role: Co-applicant, WP-leader, researcher
- 2018 – 2020 Accessibility Planning Lab. Financed by Västra Götalandsregionen. 1,5 MSEK. Role: Main applicant, project leader and researcher
- 2014 – 2017 Towards Sustainable Accessibility Planning. Financed by FORMAS, Swedish Research Council. 7,1 MSEK. Role: Co-applicant and researcher.
- 2014 – 2015 Developing Accessibility Indicators for Freight Transport. Financed by Trafikanalys (Swedish Government Agency for Transport Policy Analysis) 0,35 MSEK. Role: Co-applicant, project leader and researcher.
- 2013 – 2018 Sustainable Transport Initiative. GU/Chalmers national collaboration research programme. 1,2 MSEK. Role: Co-applicant and researcher.
- 2011 – 2014 EU COST Action TU 1002 on the Usability of Accessibility Instruments in Planning Practice. Financed by the European Commission and European Science Foundation. 0,5 MSEK. Role: Main applicant, WP co-leader and researcher.
- 2010 – 2014 Development of Accessibility tool for Regional Planning in Region Västra Götaland. 2010-2014. Financed by Regional Planning Authority Västra Götaland, 1 MSEK. Role. Co-applicant, project leader and researcher.
- 2010 – 2012 Regional restructuring towards the experience economy. Stiftelsen för ekonomisk forskning i Västsverige. 0,8 MSEK. Role: Co-applicant, project co-leader and researcher.
- 2005 – 2010 EU-RODITE Regional Trajectories to the Knowledge Economy. Including Financed by the European Commission 6:th framework programme 2,0 MSEK. Role Co-applicant, WP co-leader and researcher.
- 2000 - 2002 The development of supplier parks in the automotive industry. Financed from Stiftelsen för ekonomisk forskning i Västsverige. 0,8 MSEK. Role: Main applicant, project leader and researcher.

Publications

Peer reviewed articles

- Ferreira A., and Larsson A. (2023) Towards accessibility planning 3.0 in Portugal (and elsewhere): a manifesto for change inspired by children's studies. *disP- The Planning Review*, 59 (1), 49-67
- Larsson, A., Elldér, E., Vafeiadis, E., Curtis, C. and Steiner, A. (2022) Exploring the potential for sustainable accessibility across settlement types. A Swedish case. *Transportation Research Part D: Transport and Environment*, 107, 103297

- Gil Solá, A., Vilhelmson, B., Larsson A. (2018) Understanding sustainable accessibility in urban planning: Themes of consensus, themes of tension. *Journal of Transport Geography*, 70, 1-10
- Eldér, E., Larsson, A., Gil Solá, A. & Vilhelmson, B. (2018) Proximity changes to what and for whom? Investigating sustainable accessibility change in the Gothenburg city region 1990–2014. *International Journal of Sustainable Transportation* 12 (4), 271–285
- Larsson, A & Olsson J. (2017) Potentials and limitations for the use of accessibility measures for national transport policy goals in freight transport and logistics: Evidence from Västra Götaland County, Sweden. *REGION* 4 (1), 71–92
- Te Brömmelstroet, M., Curtis, C., Larsson, A. and D. Milakis (2016) Strengths and Weaknesses of Accessibility Instruments in Planning Practice: Technological Rules based on Experiential Workshops. *European Planning Studies* 24 (6), 1175-1196.
- James, L., Vissers, G., Larsson, A. and M. Dahlström (2016) Territorial knowledge dynamics and knowledge anchoring through localised networks: the automotive sector in Västra Götaland. *Regional Studies* Vol 50 No 2 pp. 233-244.
- Larsson, A & Lindström K (2014) Bridging the knowledge-gap between the old and the new: Regional marine experience production in Orust, Västra Götaland, Sweden. *European Planning Studies*. Vol. 22 No. 8 p. 1551-1568.
- Niedomysl, T., Eldér, E., Larsson, A., Jansund, B. & Thelin, M. (2013) Learning benefits of using 2D versus 3D maps: evidence from a controlled experiment. *Journal of Geography*. 112 (3) s. 87-96.
- Eldér, E. ; Gil Solá , A. ,Larsson, A (2012) Spatial Inequality and Workplace Accessibility. Featured graphic, *Environment and Planning A* Vol 44, No 10.
- Larsson, A. (2002). The Development and Regional Significance of the Automotive Industry: Supplier Parks in Western Europe. *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*. Vol 26, No.4 s. 767-784

Peer reviewed book chapters

- Curtis, C. and Larsson, A. (2024) Capitalizing on highly connected public transport nodes: exploring the relationship between physical design attributes and experiential qualities. Chapter in Roberts, M. and Nelson, S. (2024) *Research Handbook on Urban Design*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing
- Larsson A. (2020) Integrating land use and transport: understanding the dynamics of proximity. In: Curtis C. (ed.) *Handbook of Sustainable Transport*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing.
- Larsson, A., Eldér, E., & Vilhelmson, B. (2019) Usability of Accessibility Instruments in Regional Planning: The Case of Labour Markets and Daily Commuting in the Food Sector in Västra Götaland, Sweden. In C. Silva, N. Pinto, & L. Bertolini (Eds.), *Designing Accessibility Instruments. Lessons on Their Usability for Integrated Land Use and Transport Planning Practices*. Abingdon: Routledge.
- Larsson, A & Lindström K (2015) Bridging the knowledge-gap between the old and the new: Regional marine experience production in Orust, Västra Götaland, Sweden. In: Halkier, H., Kozak, M and B. Svensson (eds) *Innovation and Tourism Destination Development*. Abingdon: Routledge.
- Larsson, A and C.-G. Alvstam (2000). "Subcontractors, Supplier Parks and Supply Chain Management: The Case of Volvo's Arendal Supplier-Park." In: M. Taylor and E. Vatne, (eds.). *The Networked Firm in a Global World. Small Firms in New Environments*. Aldershot: Ashgate.

Doctoral dissertation

Larsson, A. (1999). *Proximity Matters? Geographical Aspects of Changing Strategies in Automotive Subcontracting Relationships: The Case of Domestic Suppliers to Volvo Torslanda Assembly Plant*. Publications by the Departments of Geography, University of Gothenburg, Series B, No:97. Department of Human- and Economic Geography, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg.

Scientific reports

Larsson, Legeby, Gil & Abrahamsson, (2022): Från goda idéer till gemensamma forskningsfrågor - Kartläggning av det första steget i samverkansprocessen inom Mistra Sport & Outdoors Tema 2 – Hållbara transportlösningar (Mistra Rapport 2022:2)

<https://www.mistrasportandoutdoors.se/link/6e1735180ba949d3b1bcb590814b6271.aspx>

Larsson, A (2021) Rapporter från projektet Accessibility Planning Lab. Samarbetsprojekt med Region Västra Götaland kring utveckling av begrepp och verktyg för tillgänglighetsbaserad regional planering. Rapporter kan laddas ner här (**OBS!! stor zip-fil**)

https://www.dropbox.com/s/b0wxxb01mo2t7wl/APL_Rapporter.zip?dl=0

Gil Solá, A., Larsson, A. & Vilhelmson, B. (2019) *Att förstå och undersöka hållbar tillgänglighet*. Working papers in Human Geography No. 1:2019. Institutionen för ekonomi och samhälle, Avdelningen för kulturgeografi. University of Gothenburg.

<http://hdl.handle.net/2077/60206>

Silva, C., & Larsson, A. (2018) *Challenges for Accessibility Planning and Research in the Context of Sustainable Mobility*. ITF Discussion Paper Series. Paris: OECD <https://www.itf-oecd.org/sites/default/files/docs/accessibility-planning-sustainable-mobility.pdf>

Olsson, J. & Larsson, A. (2016) Access to freight terminals in Västra Götaland: a pilot study. PM 2016:9. Stockholm: Trafikanalys. (in Swedish)

https://www.trafa.se/globalassets/pm/2016/pm-2016_9-tillganglighet-till-terminaler-i-vastra-gotaland--en-pilotstudie.pdf? t_id=1B2M2Y8AsgTpgAmY7PhCf%3d%3d& t_q=Tillg%c3%a4nglighet& t_tags=language%3asv%2csiteid%3af9e4ecf2-4fe2-49ec-bd2f-7b6540d3eb17& t_ip=130.241.133.132& t_hit.id=Knowit_EPi_Site_Trafa_KitModules_Document_Models_Media_DocumentFile/_d0d63606-02a2-4584-aadb-0c28d9e4bf6c& t_hit.pos=8

Larsson, A., Eildér, E. & Vilhelmson, B. (2014) Accessibility Atlas Tool for Planning Accessibility to Labour in the Food Sector. In: te Brömmelstroet et al. *Assessing Usability of Accessibility Instruments*. Report 2 from the COST Action TU1002. European Science Foundation and the COST office.

te Brömmelstroet, M. ; Curtis, C. Larsson, A. (2014). Chapter 5: Conclusions and Discussion. In: te Brömmelstroet et al. 2014. *Assessing Usability of Accessibility Instruments*. Report 2 from the COST Action TU1002. European Science Foundation and the COST office. ISBN/ISSN: 978-90-9028212-1

Larsson, A. ; Curtis, C. (2014). Chapter 3: Local Workshop Reports. COST Action TU1002 - *Assessing Usability of Accessibility Instruments*. In: te Brömmelstroet et al. 2014. *Assessing Usability of Accessibility Instruments*. Report 2 from the COST Action TU1002. European Science Foundation and the COST office. ISBN/ISSN: 978-90-9028212-1

- Larsson, A., Elldér, E. & Vilhelmson, B. (2014) *Geografisk tillgänglighet. Definitioner, operationalisering och praktik*. Working papers in Human Geography. No. 1:2014. Department of Economy and Society, Human Geography Unit. University of Gothenburg
https://gupea.ub.gu.se/bitstream/2077/38218/4/WPHG_2014_1_web.pdf
- Larsson, A., Ernstson, U., Elldér, E. & Fransson, U., (2011). *Accessibility Atlas Västra Götaland*. (In Swedish). Occasional Papers 2011:2. Department of Human and Economic Geography, University of Gothenburg.
https://alfresco.vgregion.se/alfresco/service/vgr/storage/node/content/workspace/SpacesStore/4de011ac-5c63-41f8-bfad-336150bb43b0/1105_Tillganglighetsatlas-VG.pdf?a=false&guest=true

Presentations at international academic conferences (selected)

- Anders Larsson, Carey Curtis (2024). A role for new mobility services outside the inner city?. Presented at the AESOP Annual Congress 8-12 July 2024. Paris, France
- Anders Larsson (2024). Understanding sustainable access to every-day outdoor recreation. The role of public transport. Presented at the Nordic Geographers Meeting. 25-27 Juni, 2024. Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Anders Larsson (2023). Understanding the (in)ability for public transport to create sustainable access to outdoor recreation in a regional perspective. Example from Sweden. Presented at the EUROGEO 2023 conference 3-6 September 2023, Barcelona, Spain.
- Anders Larsson, Albert Steiner (2019). Challenges of implementing equity-based accessibility thresholds for different modes of transport. A comparison of accessibility to pre-schools in Gothenburg and Zurich regions. AESOP conference 9-13 July 2019, Venice, Italy.
 Presentation can be downloaded here:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/9snlmw5rgnlijqd/Presentation_AESOP_final.pdf?dl=0
- Anders Larsson (2018). Living without a car in the periphery: a study of the changing potential for non-car based accessibility to grocery stores in rural areas 1990-2014 in region Västra Götaland, Sweden. Presented at the AESOP conference 10-14 July 2018, Gothenburg, Sweden
- Anders Larsson (2018). The role of accessibility thresholds in urban and regional planning – reflections from a Swedish and European perspective. Presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, 10-14 April 2018, New Orleans, USA
- Cecilia Silva, Anders Larsson. (2017) Challenges for Accessibility Planning and Research in the Context of Sustainable Mobility. OECD Roundtable meeting on “Improving planning and investment through the use of accessibility indices”, 30- 31 October, 2017, Paris, France.
- Ana Gil Sola, Bertil Vilhelmson, Anders Larsson (2017). Understanding sustainable accessibility in urban planning - Themes of Consensus, Themes of Tension. 7th Nordic Geographers Meeting, Stockholm, 18-21 June 2017
- Anders Larsson, Kristina Lindström (2013) Evolutionary perspectives on regional knowledge collaboration: The case of yacht manufacturing and coastal tourism on Orust Island, Sweden. Presentation at the AAG Annual Meeting 9-13 April, 2013, Los Angeles
- Anders Larsson, Kristina Lindström (2012) Bridging the knowledge-gap between the “old” and the “new”: From leisure boat manufacturing to regional marine experience production in region Västra Götaland, Sweden. Regional Studies European Conference 2012, Delft, The Netherlands

Anders Larsson (2012) Regional path dependence, technological change and proximities: the case of the automotive crash-safety sector in Västra Götaland, Sweden. Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting 2012, New York

Anders Larsson (2011) Towards a more time sensitive and economic geography? Innovation, Biographies and Paths. Presentation at the IVth Nordic Geographers Meeting Roskilde 2011

Anders Larsson, Erik Elldér (2011). Improving Regional Transport Accessibility Planning: A GIS-based methodology based on micro-level register data. Regional Studies International Conference, 18-20 April 2011, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK.

Anders Larsson, Geert Vissers (2010). Time-Space Dynamics of Collaboration in Innovation Processes: A Critical Analysis. IBG/RGS Annual International Conference 1-3 Sept 2010, London, UK

External Invitations and research/teaching visits

- 2018 September - October: Visiting researcher at Curtin University, School of Design and the Built Environment. Perth, Australia. Invited by Professor Carey Curtis.
- 2017 October: Invited to ITF/OECD Roundtable meeting on "Improving planning and investment through the use of accessibility indices" in Paris on the 30th and 31st of October
- 2017 January: Invited lecturer at the University of Westminster, Transport Planning and Management Programme. Invited by Dr. Enrica Papa.
- 2016 June. Invited Keynote and session leader to mobil.TUM - International Scientific Conference on Mobility and Transport. 6-7 June, Munich, Germany.
- 2015 March – April: Visiting researcher at Amsterdam University, Department of Human Geography, Planning and International Development Studies. Invited by Professor Luca Bertolini.
- 2012 November: Teacher exchange visit to University of Saarland, Department of Geography, Germany.
- 2005 October: Teacher exchange visit to University of Köln, Department of Geography, Germany.

Doctoral supervision

Head supervisor for PhD student:

- Evangelos Vafeiadis. Title: Differences between accessibility estimation as calculated by models and as perceived by individuals. Completed in December 2024.

Deputy supervisor for PhD students:

- Charlotta Capitaó Patrao. Titel: 'Station communities' as a strategy for sustainable regional development A case study of small towns with train stations in the Västra Götaland region, Sweden Estimated to finish in 2025
- Oskar Abrahamsson. Title: The environmental paradox of outdoor recreation Estimated to finish in spring 2026
- Erik Elldér. Title: The changing role and importance of the built environment for daily travel in Sweden. Completed in June 2015.

Reviewer for international journals, selection:

- Economic Geography
- Regional Studies
- Papers in Regional Science
- International Regional Science Review
- Journal of Transport Geography
- European Planning Studies
- Transport Policy
- Norsk Geografisk Tidsskrift
- Social Inclusion
- Journal of Transport and Land Use