

CV



Samuel Färdow Kazen

Work experience

Positive Money, Stockholm, 2020-2022

Campaign Manager, web developer and researcher.

Positive Money, Office at Right Livelihood in Stockholm, 2019-2020

Business Developer and researcher.

Cogitate Analys & Konsult, Lund, 2017-2020

Freelance lecturer, musician and researcher.

Education

I have a total of 454 hp over a period of 6.5 years, in political science, philosophy, cultural anthropology, cognitive science, psychology, statistics and other courses.

Degrees

Master's degree (one-year) in Philosophy, Uppsala University 2015-2016, 60 hp.

Bachelor's degree in Cultural and Social Analysis, Uppsala University 2010-2013, 180 hp.

University

Master courses in Cognitive Science, Lund University 2015-2017, 75 hp.

Courses in Philosophy, Uppsala University 2014-2015, 22.5 hp.

Courses in Cultural Anthropology and Psychology, Uppsala University 2011-2012, 49.5 hp.

Courses in Statistics, Evolutionary biology etc., Uppsala University 2011-2015, 22 hp.

Courses in Political Science, Uppsala University 2011-2012, 30 hp.

Basic course in Human Rights, Stockholm School of Theology 2009-2010, 15 hp.

Folkhögskola

Music program: trumpet and piano, Ågesta Folkhögskola 2009-2010.

Gymnasium

Extended program nature/nature at Rudbeck gymnasium in Sollentuna, 2006-2009, 2850p. 21,45 of 22,5 in credit points.

Book reading year

Did my own study plan, read books for a whole year, 2007.

Writings

Published reports

- Synpunkter inför tillsättandet av utredningen om statens roll på betalningsmarknaden (Comments for the appointment of the inquiry into the role of the state in the payment market). Stockholm: Positiva Pengar, 2020. <https://positivapengar.se/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Synpunkter-inf%C3%B6r-tills%C3%A4ttandet-av-utredningen-om-statens-roll.pdf>
- Remissvar på riksbankskommitténs förslag till ny riksbankslag SOU 2019:46 (Response to the Riksbank Committee's proposal for a new Sveriges Riksbank Act). Stockholm: Positiva Pengar, 2020. <https://positivapengar.se/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Remissvar-nya-riksbankslagen.pdf>
- Förstatliga pengarna – så stoppar vi bankerna från att skapa finanskriser (Nationalise the money - how to stop the banks from creating financial crises). Stockholm: Katalys, 2019. <https://www.katalys.org/publikation/no-68-forstatliga-pengarna-sa-stoppar-vi-bankerna-fran-att-skapa-finanskriser/>

Debate articles

- Sverige behöver en hållbar Riksbankslag (Sweden needs a sustainable Riksbank Act). Realtid Debatt, 2022. <https://www.realtid.se/sverige-behover-en-hallbar-riksbankslag/>
- Kreditökningen är mycket oroväckande (Credit growth is very worrying), with economics professor Steve Keen, Svenska Dagbladet Debatt, 2019. <https://www.svd.se/a/Qo8LqJ/kreditokningen-ar-mycket-orovackande>
- Riksbanken får skulden för Magdalena Anderssons misslyckande (The Riksbank gets the blame for Magdalena Andersson's failures), Dagens Industri, 2019. <https://www.di.se/debatt/riksbanken-far-skulden-for-magdalena-anderssons-misslyckanden/>
- Ta ifrån affärsbankerna rätten att skapa pengar (Take away the commercial banks' right to create money), with Daniel Suhonen. Dagens Nyheter Debatt, 2019. <https://www.dn.se/debatt/ta-ifran-affarsbankerna-ratten-att-skapa-pengar/>
- "Time to abolish banking privileges", with Professor of Economics Lennart Erixon, SU and Associate Professor Ole Bjerg, Copenhagen Business School. Svenska Dagbladet Debatt, 2018. <https://www.svd.se/a/oRGprB/dags-att-avskaffa-bankernas-privilegier>

Other texts

- Modern Monetary Theory & Sovereign Money – en analys av likheter och skillnader (an analysis of similarities and differences), 2022.
- Vad ska vi ha en central bank till? (What is the purpose of a central bank?), 2022.
- En analys av Ann Pettifors bok "produktionen av pengar" (an analysis of Ann Pettifors' book "The production of money"), 2021.
- Skuldfria pengar? (Debt free money?), 2020.

- *Arbetsmaterial för mobbning och konfliktlösning i skolan.* (Working material for bullying and conflict resolution in schools), 2015.
- *Tro och vetande 3.0* (Faith and Knowledge 3.0), 2013.
- *Framtidens ekonomiska och ekologiska utmaningar* (the economic and ecological challenges of the future), Report for the Social Democrats' work on a new party program, 2013.
- *Från etik till politik* (from ethics to politics), degree project at high school, 2009.

Comments on my texts

Academic essays and theses

“His magister thesis on Sharon Streets Metaethical constructivism is impressive.” - Tonni Ronnow-Rasmussen, professor of practical philosophy, Lund, 2016.

"Your language is quite exceptional. It is extremely rare for students to have such good Swedish nowadays" - *Kent Gustavsson, examiner of my C-thesis, 2014.*

“Thank you for a well-written and very rich homework assignment! You have done a very good job!” - *Folke Tersman, Professor of Practical Philosophy, 2013*

“Very creative and interesting” - *Matti Eklund, professor of theoretical philosophy, on my essay in philosophy of language, 2013*

“Your memo is well written, analytical and critical. [...] A very good PM - model good.” - *Mats Lundström, Associate Professor of Political Science, 2012*

“You have received a VG on the exam in advanced ethics. If it had been possible I would have given you MVG [A higher grade that didn't exist on the scale]” - *Patricia Mindus, Professor in practical Philosophy, 2011*

“Samuel has written a theoretical work on human and social development. In an interesting way, he attempts a synthesis of natural and social science research, with the ambition "to shed light on today's postmodern value relativism, develop a new moral-philosophical theory, define clear boundaries for the role of the state and politics, and, in the light of the new, alternative perspective, formulate a concrete political action programme". Samuel has succeeded extraordinarily well, drawing on the latest research. His humorous description of how he planned his reading of several thousand pages is not immediately forgotten. This planning has resulted in a well-written, edited, scholarly and complex work.” - *Diploma and scholarship, graduation 10 June 2009.*

“Förstatliga pengarna” (Katalys, 2019)

"In a new report by Katalys, economist Samuel Kazen Orrefur proposes that the state take control of money creation with an e-krona, which would significantly reduce the power of banks." - Kaja Ekis Ekman - Aftonbladet, 2019

"It should be course literature in the introductory courses of the business school! It should be mailed to all MPs!" - Daniel Berg, Ordfront Magazine, 2019

"The report is both readable, insightful and controversial. It simply strips away the Swedish political and economic establishment." - Per Lindvall, columnist at Affärsvärlden, Realtid and Svenska dagbladet, 2019



“I think Samuel has an incredible teaching ability” - Course participant, 2020

“I found the main lecturer to be very pedagogical and keen for everyone to understand. I thought he was very good at reading the group and making everyone feel welcome” - Course participant, 2021

“Samuel is a very good teacher!” – Course participant, 2021

Lectures, courses and speeches

Education day for teachers, covering the topics: 1. The good upbringing 2. A good school and education 3. Interpersonal communication and relationships 4. The good society. Albins Folkhögskola, 2022.

Lectures on today's banking and money system, all over Sweden (Malmö, Lund, Stockholm, Luleå, Umeå, Göteborg, Växjö, Västerås, Kristianstad, Sundsvall, Luleå etc.) 2019-2021.

Advanced course on the money system, 7x3 h, 20 participants, organized by me. Digital course on Zoom, 2022.

“Ett nytt bank- och penningssystem för en hållbar ekonomi”, Course on the money system, ABF, 6 x 3h, at different places in Sweden, 2019-2021.

Introductory speech at the international conference “[The future of Money: Central Bank Digital Currencies and Beyond](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8cbRTEp4HD4)” 2019 View it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8cbRTEp4HD4>

Report release "Nationalize the money supply" with the Riksbank as opponent, 2019 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x_ONF3xsvek&t=2500s

Socialdemokratisk basinkomst (Social Democratic Basic Income), 2017, Almedalen.

Fri vilja. En introduktion till olika teorier (Free will. Introduction to different theories), 2016, Västerkyrkan in Lund.

Tro och vetande – är religion nödvändigt? (Faith and knowledge - is religion necessary?), lecture I gave in high schools, churches and to student organizations, 2014-2019.

Kreativ konfliktlösning i skolan: förebygga, upptäcka och behandla mobbning. (Creative conflict resolution in schools: preventing, detecting and treating bullying), lecture at the children and youth committee in Siguna, 2014.

Conferences 2016-2019

- Organizer of the Nordphil conference in Uppsala 2016.
- Organizer of the Future of Money conference in Stockholm 2019.

Grants and rewards

- *Stjernecreutz Scholarship at Uppsala University 2015-2016.*
- *Diploma and scholarship at Rudbeck's Gymnasium for my thesis, 4 students out of 2 300 got the scholarship, 2009.*
- *Music scholarship, Joakim Öhnell Memorial Fund, 2005.*
- *Scholarship and diploma in Swedish for my essays, 9th grade, 2005.*
- *Theatre scholarship 2002.*

Engagements

- Active in the student council 2015-2016 in Lund, and student representative in the board of the philosophical institution.
- Member of the “Socialdemokrater för tro och solidaritet” national future committee 2014-2016.
- Mentor for new philosophy students in Uppsala, 2012-2015.
- Member of the municipal children and youth committee, Sigtuna 2012-2015 .
- Member of the municipal council, Sigtuna, 2012-2016.
- Chairman of SSU-Sigtuna, 2009-2011.

Founder of new organizations

- Founder and head of the association for digital democracy, writer and designer behind the first draft of our webpage, 2022. <https://www.digitaldemokrati.se/>
- Founder of "Progressiva ekonomer" as a new start for the old post-keynesian network. Developed a first draft of our founding documents and webpage, 2022. <https://progressiva-ekonomer.se/>
- Founded "philosophical" in Uppsala, regular discussion evenings for philosophical discussion with coffee, 2012.
- Founder of Arenberga Strategi (AS), a board game community, 2009.
- Founder of engageradig.nu, website that encouraged political engagement, 2008.
- Founder of the school newspaper REC Rudbeck (school with 2300 students), 2008-2009.
- Founder of Märsta One Wheel (MOW), association for unicycling that hosted Swedish Championships in unicycling a couple of years, 2007.

Other projects

- Produced "Sol vind & vatten 2.0" together with Göran Håden about green energy (forthcoming).
- [Composed and recorded the "The train song"](#).
- Built a [13-meter-high trebuchet](#).
- Taken many prizes in the Swedish Championship of unicycle.