



# Dennis Fahlgren

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## My background

I was born and raised in the small town of Sollefteå, in northern Sweden. After graduating from High School I started to study history at the Uppsala University, where I early on came to be interested in economic aspects and aging. After studying sociology, history, economic history and statistics, I received my master's degree at the same university.

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## Current research and career development

I am currently a doctoral student in economic history at the Umeå university in Sweden. In my doctoral thesis I study how individuals made a living in old age in Sweden between 1890 and 1960. I am interested in aspects as labor force participation, intergenerational coresidence and social security development. The health aspect will play an important role in the thesis, since work in old age, family support and eligibility for welfare, in many times depended on it.

After finishing my dissertation, my goal is to continue my research. I would be interested in expanding my research to encompass other aspects in relation to age, such as old age mortality, morbidity and time in the labor force, and welfare developments effect on old age mortality.

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## Goals for the SPA

My goal for this program is to enhance my methodological skills and learn different ways to use longitudinal data and methods. Another goal is to get to know other researchers and students who study aging in different disciplines than my own.



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