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Faglig profil

Alexander Støvelbæk is a double degree PhD fellow of Roskilde University, Denmark and East China Normal University, Shanghai CN, with a scholarship from the Sino-Danish Center for Research and Education. He is in his second year of his PhD program, currently based in Beijing where he is doing field work for his research on the experiences of Chinese and international students in transnational universities in China. The PhD research builds on the findings from his Master's thesis entitled "Students' Struggles for Cultural and Academic Recognition: A Socio-analysis of an Intercultural Learning Environment in a Sino-Danish Higher Education Collaboration" (Roskilde University, 2017).

Moving from socio-analysis to psycho-social theory, in his PhD, Alexander is exploring the emotional output of students' unsuccessful and successful educational strategies and identity transition, and studying the psychological 'drive' behind the life decisions, social transitions, and attempted capital conversions of students in transnational higher education in China.

Alexander has received his training as an educational researcher at Roskilde University (DK), Austral Universidad (ARG) and Aarhus University (DK). He has a strong experience in conducting ethnographic field work in educational settings and doing studies on higher education in a globalizing world. More generally, he is occupied with the philosophical and sociological foundations of education, and the cultural and social foundations of human learning processes.

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