

Olav Sorenson^{*}

2018 Award Winner

Career

Born 1969, USA

AB, Social Studies, Harvard College (1991)

MA, Sociology, Stanford University (1994)

PhD, Sociology, Stanford University (1997)

Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago (1997–1999)

Assistant Professor, UCLA Anderson School of Management (1999–2003)

Associate Professor, UCLA Anderson School of Management (2003–2005)

Professor, London Business School (2005–2006)

Professor, Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto (2006–2009)

Professor, Yale School of Management (2009–)

Frederick Frank '54 and Mary C. Tanner Professor, Yale School of Management (2012–)

Major Scientific Contributions in the Fields of the Award

Books and Edited Volumes

Baum, Joel and Olav Sorenson (2003), *Geography and Strategy. Advances in Strategic Management*. Greenwich, CT: JAI Press.

Agarwal, Rajshree, Sharon Alvarez and Olav Sorenson (2005), *Handbook of Entrepreneurship Research. Disciplinary Perspectives*. New York: Springer.

^{*} This biography covers Olav Sorenson's work until January 2018.

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- Sorenson, Olav and Toby E. Stuart (2001), "Syndication Networks and the Spatial Distribution of Venture Capital Investments." *American Journal of Sociology* 106(6), 1546–1588.
- Sorenson, Olav and Jesper B. Sørensen (2001), "Finding the Right Mix: Franchising, Organizational Learning, and Chain Performance." *Strategic Management Journal* 22(6–7), 713–724.
- Fleming, Lee and Olav Sorenson (2001), "Technology as a Complex Adaptive System: Evidence from Patent Data." *Research Policy* 30(7), 1019–1039.
- Sorenson, Olav (2003), "Social Networks and Industrial Geography." *Journal of Evolutionary Economics* 13(1), 513–527.
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- Dahl, Michael S. and Olav Sorenson (2009), "The Embedded Entrepreneur." *European Management Review* 6(3), 172–181.
- Samila, Sampsa and Olav Sorenson (2010), "Venture Capital as a Catalyst to Commercialization." *Research Policy* 39(10), 1348–1360.
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- Samila, Sampsa and _____ (2011), “Non-Compete Covenants: Incentives to Innovate or Impediments to Growth.” *Management Science* 57(3), 425–438.
- Dahl, Michael S. and Olav Sorenson (2012), “Home Sweet Home: Entrepreneurs’ Location Choices and the Performance of their Ventures.” *Management Science* 58(6), 1059–1071.
- Dahl, Michael S. and _____ (2014), “The Who, Why, and How of Spinoffs.” *Industrial and Corporate Change* 23(3), 661–688.
- Sorenson, Olav, Valentina Assenova, Guan-Ching Li, Jason Boada and Lee Fleming (2016), “Expanding Innovation Finance via Crowdfunding.” *Science* 354(6319), 1526–1528.
- Samila, Sampsa and Olav Sorenson (2017), “Community and Capital in Entrepreneurship and Economic Growth.” *American Sociological Review* 82(4), 770–795.
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