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Current position Ornithologist

Education 1990 Cand. scient. in biology, University of Copenhagen. Specialized in ornithology

Main assignments 1985 - 1986 Teacher on Koltur and St. Dímun
1987 - 1989 Teacher in biology at the High school of the Faroes
1990 - present Scientist at the Faroese Fisheries Laboratory responsible for the seabirds

Main qualifications &

working experience 1968 Bird ringing license from the Zoological Museum in Copenhagen
1972 Participated in the mapping and surveillance of the Faroese guillemot colonies and the gannet colony
1973 - present Monitoring a guillemot sub colony, Høvdin, each summer but 1975. Since 2000 also the kittiwakes and fulmars have been monitored.
1978 - present Automatic photo registration of two control areas for guillemots and kittiwakes
1982 - 1983 Census of the guillemots and kittiwakes on Skúvoy that can be seen from land
1985 Census of the gannet colony
1987 Mapping and surveillance of the Faroese guillemot- and kittiwake population
1989 - present Collecting biometric data from fowled puffins
1991 - 1995 Breeding biology of puffins. Supervisor for tree students (two Cand. scient.)
1993 Census of the guillemots and kittiwakes on Skúvoy that can be seen from land
1995 Census of the gannet colony
1997 - 1999 Mapping and surveillance of the Faroese guillemot- and kittiwake population
1996 - 1998 Participated in the planning of the seabirds at sea project in Faroese waters
2000 - present Stomach content analyses of seabirds
2000 - 2002 Supervisor for two B.S students on the food of puffins and gannets
2003 Census of the guillemots and kittiwakes on Skúvoy that can be seen from land
2005 - 2007 Census of the gannet colony
2006 - present Breeding biology of puffins
2007 - present Mapping and surveillance of the Faroese guillemot- and kittiwake population

Language capacity Faroese Mother tongue
Danish Fluent
Other Nordic Moderate
English Fluent
German Moderate
French Elementary

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