

# Johan Wiklund

## Short bio

**Johan Wiklund** is a [Swedish](#) scholar of entrepreneurship and is currently the Al Berg Chair<sup>[1]</sup> and Professor of Entrepreneurship at the [Whitman School of Management](#) at [Syracuse University](#), Professor Two at [Nord University](#), Norway, visiting professor at [Lund University](#), Sweden, and inaugural RMIT Fulbright Distinguished Chair in Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Australia.<sup>[2]</sup> His research interests include entrepreneurship and mental health as well as the entry, performance, and exit of entrepreneurial firms. He is considered a leading authority in entrepreneurship research, with over 60 articles appearing in leading entrepreneurship and management journals

## Early career

Wiklund received his PhD from [Jönköping International Business School](#) in 1998, with his doctoral thesis titled "Small Firm Growth and Performance: Entrepreneurship and Beyond",<sup>[5]</sup> advised by [Per Davidsson](#). He began his career at the [Stockholm School of Economics](#) before taking his current appointment at Syracuse University. During this time Wiklund focused primarily on [entrepreneurial orientation](#) and began his collaboration with Dean Shephard,<sup>[6]</sup> both of whom have since been recognized for their influence within entrepreneurship research.<sup>[7]</sup>

## Mental health, well-being and entrepreneurship

In 2014 Wiklund started developing his current research agenda, which focuses on [mental health](#) and entrepreneurship. This research has been covered by [Psychology Today](#),<sup>[8]</sup> *Fast Company*,<sup>[9]</sup> and *Entrepreneur*,<sup>[10]</sup> and has also been featured on podcasts.<sup>[11]</sup> In addition to his own published works on this topic,<sup>[12]</sup> he has organized workshops around the world and co-edited special issues in leading academic journals such as [Academy of Management Perspectives](#)<sup>[13]</sup> and the [Journal of Business Venturing](#).<sup>[14]</sup>

## Selected honors and awards

Fulbright Distinguished Professorship - The Fulbright Commission and RMIT University (2018)<sup>[12]</sup>

- 2015 Greif Research Impact Award - Academy of Management Entrepreneurship Division (2015)<sup>[15]</sup>
- Mentor Award - Academy of Management, Entrepreneurship Division (2011)<sup>[16]</sup>
- Best Empirical Paper Award - Academy of Management, Entrepreneurship Division (2010)<sup>[16]</sup>
- IDEA Research Promise Award - Academy of Management, Entrepreneurship Division (2010)
- Mentor Award - Academy of Management, Entrepreneurship Division (2010)<sup>[16]</sup>

- Best Empirical Paper Award - Academy of Management, Entrepreneurship Division (2008)<sup>[16]</sup>

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