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## EDUCATION

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**European University Institute**, Florence *September 2018 - Present*  
PhD candidate in Sociology  
Supervisor: Fabrizio Bernardi  
Thesis: *Three or more essays on Mechanisms underlying Educational Inequalities.*

**Instituto Carlos III-Juan March**, Madrid *September 2016 - September 2018*  
MSc of Research in Social Sciences.

**Nottingham Trent University**, Nottingham *September 2014 - June 2015*  
BA(hons) in Politics (Erasmus+ programme)  
First Class

**Universidad de Murcia**, Murcia *September 2012 - September 2016*  
BA(hons) in Political and Administration Sciences.  
Suma Cum Laude

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Research Assistant** *October 2016 - June 2018*  
Place: Discrimination and Inequality Lab at the IC3JM.  
Research support in a pilot study about discrimination in the labour market: ‘[Growth, Equal Opportunities, Migration & Markets](#)’. It is part of the Horizon 2020 and directed by Professor Javier Polavieja.

## PUBLICATIONS

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Kreiman, G., Espadafor, M. C. (2019) [Unexpected Allies: The Impact of Terrorism on Organised Crime in Sub-Saharan Africa and South-East Asia](#), *Studies in Conflict Terrorism*, 1-20. (equal authorship)

## WORKING PAPERS

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‘Not brought up for school success? Explaining the socio-economic gradient within the reverse gender gap in education.’

‘Selection or compensation? The uneven effect of grade retention across family origins.’ (with Fabrizio Bernardi)

‘Gambling harms human capital formation’ (with Sergi Martínez)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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‘School entry age and parental strategic behaviour: A tale of two mechanisms of social inequality in early achievement’ (with Giampiero Passaretta)

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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<b>US Visiting Grant (Wisconsin-Madison University)</b> European University Institute	<i>Fall 2021</i>
<b>Salvador Madariaga predoctoral Scholarship</b> Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (MINECO).	<i>2018 - 2022</i>
<b>Research Collaboration Scholarship</b> Universidad Carlos III.	<i>2017 - 2018</i>
<b>Postgraduate Scholarship</b> Spanish Ministry of Education.	<i>2016 - 2018</i>
<b>Premio Extraordinario Fin de Grado</b> Award for finishing undergraduate studies with the best GPA of the promotion (2012-2016).	<i>January 2017</i>
<b>Erasmus+ Scholarship</b> European Commission.	<i>2014 - 2015</i>
<b>Undergraduate Scholarship</b> Spanish Ministry of Education.	<i>2012 - 2016</i>

## CONFERENCES

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<b>Workshop “Causality in the Social Sciences”, DWZH (Germany)</b>	<i>October 2020</i>
<b>ECSR Annual Conference</b>	<i>2020</i>
<b>ISA RC28</b>	<i>2020, 2021</i>
<b>IV Convengo SISEC, Turin (Italy)</b>	<i>January 2020</i>
<b>ESS, First Spanish Congress, Madrid (Spain)</b>	<i>September 2018</i>

## COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION

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<b>TN SQUARE Winter School, Trento University (Italy)</b> Applied and theoretical sessions on: Household Dynamics, Family Events, and Inequalities in the Life-Course	<i>October 2019</i>
<b>Introduction to Teaching in Higher Education, EUI (Italy)</b> The course consisted on: attending to theoretical and practical lectures, teaching a practice lesson, present a course proposal and give feedback on the course proposals.	<i>November 2019</i>

## COMPUTER AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

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<b>STATA:</b> Intermediate level	<b>French:</b> Beginner
<b>R:</b> Intermediate level	<b>Italian:</b> Beginner
<b>L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X:</b> Advanced level	<b>English:</b> Fluent
<b>Spanish:</b> Native	

## TEACHING

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### **Drawing maps in R**

*October 2020*

This is an introductory workshop on spatial data I taught within the CLIC Training workshops at the European University Institute in 2020. You can access all the materials .

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

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### **Co-organiser: Reading Sessions**

*September 2020 - present*

Place: European University Institute / zoom

The mission of the reading club is to facilitate the exchange of ideas about the most recent books on social inequalities. You can read more about what we do and the 2020/2021 program [here](#).

### **Co-organiser: Inequality Working Group & Distant CLIC**

*September 2019 - present*

Place: European University Institute.

The mission of the working group is to facilitate the exchange of research among EUI researchers and professors on various aspects of social inequality. This working group is sponsored by prof. Fabrizio Bernardi and prof. Juho Harkonnen. We organise both [seminars](#), workshops and a [yearly conference in June](#).

### **Organiser: Workshop on Data management and visualization with R**

*May 2020*

Place: European University Institute (zoom)

This workshop was co-teach by Ariane Aumaitre (EUI) and sponsored by prof. Fabrizio Bernardi. It introduced data analysis and its visualizations in quantitative social science research with an special focus on inequalities.

### **Co-organiser and Chair: Distant CLIC Conference 2020**

*June 2020*

Place: European University Institute (zoom)

You can read the programme [here](#). It was the first yearly conference of DISTANT CLIC. It aim is to create an on-line space of academic discussion, research and training on topics related inequality, social mobility, social demography and life-course. DISTANT CLIC is an academic network with its center at EUI and links all over Europe and beyond.

### **Organiser: Workshop on Simulation and resampling method for inference and hypothesis testing**

*May 2019*

Place: European University Institute

This workshop was taught by Mauricio Bucca (EUI). It introduced researchers to the theoretical ideas behind resampling and simulation techniques. In tandem, the workshop demonstrated how to implement these methods from scratch in the statistical package R, preparing participants to use them in their own research.

### **Co-organiser: Bottom-up Workshop on Spatial Data Analysis**

*May 2019*

Place: European University Institute

This workshop was taught by prof. Karsten Donnay (Konstanz University) and sponsored by prof. Elias Dinas. It introduced spatial data analysis and its applications in quantitative social science research and is intended for PhD researchers and postdocs.

### **Student Representative**

*January 2019 - January 2020*

Department of Political and Social Sciences European University Institute

*April 12, 2021*