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RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am currently interested in understanding how living with a frail family member shapes the health and life trajectories of other household members. More broadly, I would like to explore themes at the intersection of **health demography**, **family sociology**, and **social stratification**, ideally through **computational approaches** or a **life-course perspective**.

EXPERIENCES

Phd Student in Social and Political Science   September 2025 - Ongoing
Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi - Milan, Italy

Contract Researcher   September 2024 - September 2025
Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi - SDA Bocconi School of Management - Milan - Italy

I collaborated on the project "Deploying Intersectionality Framework to Study Inequality among Frail Older Population" (DIFF), led by Prof. Benedetta Pongiglione (University of Pavia), at the Center for Research on Health and Social Care Management (CERGAS).

CONFERENCES

- Presenting Co-Author of "Multidimensional frailty among older people and access to services: first evidence from the DIFF project", with Prof. Benedetta Pongiglione, at Population Days 2025; June 4 - 6, 2025; Cagliari, Italy

PROJECTS

- I am currently working to publish a dataset of the integral transcriptions of c.a. 15 years of episodes of a famous Italian political talk show.
- I am currently working with Prof.Benedetta Pongiglione (University of Pavia), Elisabetta Listorti (SDA Bocconi) and Ph.D. Candidate Gaia Sagantin (Amsterdam UMC) on various publications in the framework of 'Deploying Intersectionality Framework to Study Inequality among Frail Older Population' (DIFF) project.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts, Politics and Social Policy   Set 2021 - Mar 2024
Alma Mater Studiorum – Università of Bologna, Italy
Focus on: European Institutions, Comparative Welfare State and Social Policy, Policy Design, Regulatory Law, labor market and educational Inequalities.
Final thesis: I studied the media discourse of poverty by developing and analyzing a dataset based on the textual transcription of the audio tape of approx. 2500 episodes of an Italian political talk-show.
Thesis Supervisor: Professor Marco Albertini (University of Bologna)
Skills developed: Statistical analysis - quantitative Sociology (Python / R Studio); Basic natural language processing techniques.
Final grade: 110L - 110 (Top Grade)

Erasmus Semester, Spain   Sep 2020 - Dec 2020
Universitat de Barcelona , Barcelona

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science   2018 - 2021
Alma Mater Studiorum – Università of Bologna, Italy
Final grade: 110L - 110 (Top Grade)