




Center for Health and the Social Sciences,
5841 S. Maryland Avenue MC 1005, Suite M200,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois, 60637

(872) 314-8765 
cbeckett@uchicago.edu 
cameronbeckett.com 

CAMERON G. BECKETT

education

Ph.D., Sociology, The University of Bologna, (2025)

Dissertation: *What We Can Learn From Eachother: A Multi-Sited Analysis of Lay Expertise and Caregiving for People Living with Alzheimer's and Dementia in Emilia-Romagna and the United States.*

Advisor: Dr. Antonio Maturo (antonio.maturo2@unibo.it)

MA., Global Cultures, The University of Bologna, (2021)

Thesis: *Policing Industrial Societies: Global Perspectives on Law Enforcement, Mass Production, and Scientific Management in Fascist Italy.*

Advisor: Dr. Marica Tolomelli (marica.tolomelli@unibo.it)

Honors/Result: 110 lode (Italy), summa cum laude (U.S.)

BA., Sociology, University of Toledo, (2018)

Thesis: *Graduate Student Employee Experiences and The Corporatized University.*

Advisor: Dr. Jerry Van Hoy (jerry.vanhoy@utoledo.edu)

Honors/Results: Departmental Honors

appointments & research experience

Postdoctoral Fellow, The University of Chicago
(07/2025-present)

Assegnista di Ricerca, Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna
(10/2021–10/2024)

Visiting Doctoral Researcher, The University of Chicago
(09/2023–05/2024)

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Linda J. Waite

Research Assistant, NORC at the University of Chicago
(09/2023–05/2024)

Visiting Graduate Fellow, King's College London
(09/2020–01/2021)

- teaching** *Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Health (Spring 2023)*
Department of Sociology and Business Law, The University of Bologna; Forlì, Italy
- Teaching Assistant, Health, Technology and Society (Fall 2022)*
Department of Sociology and Business Law, The University of Bologna; Bologna, Italy
- Instructor, Academic English and Sociology (Spring 2022)*
School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Cultural Heritage, The University of Padova; Padova, Italy
- Instructor, Academic English and Professional Writing (Fall 2021)*
Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences, The University of Bologna; Rimini, Italy
- publications** Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "The State and the Clinic: Migrant Narratives in Italy's Health-care System." *Current Sociology*. doi:10.1177/00113921251394719
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Beyond Burden: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Lay Expertise in Dementia Caregiving." *Innovation in Aging* 9(2). doi:10.1093/geroni/igaf122.330
- Beckett, Cameron and Antonio Maturo. 2023. "Big Data and Behavior-Based Insurance: What Europe May (Not) Borrow from the U.S." Pp. 57–74 in *Un modello Europeo? Itinerari dei diritti di welfare tra dimensione europea e nazionale*. Milan: FrancoAngeli.
- working papers** Beckett, Cameron and Elisa Castellaccio. 2026. "Finding Community: Discourses of Digital Support Groups for Caregivers of People Living with Alzheimer's and Related Dementias." In Preparation for *Qualitative Health Research*.
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Whose Approval Matters? Legitimacy Portfolios and the Hidden Infrastructure of Caregiver Expertise." Under Review at *Social Science & Medicine*.
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Conceptual Contours of Caregiving, Burden, Expertise and Flourishing." Under Review at *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*.
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "La lay expertise nel caregiving della demenza: ritmi e processi." Under Review at *Welfare e Ergonomia*.
- presentations** Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Beyond Burden: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Lay Expertise in Dementia Caregiving." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Gerontological Society of America*. Boston, MA.

Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Developing Lay Expertise in Informal Dementia Caregiving: An Integrative Qualitative Approach." Presented at the *Associazione Italiana di Sociologia*. Forlì.

Beckett, Cameron. 2024. "Bridging Gaps: Integrating National Survey Data and Personal Narratives to Understand Informal Caregiver Burden and Self-Efficacy." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Gerontological Society of America*. Seattle, WA.

Beckett, Cameron and Elisa Castellaccio. 2023. "What We Can Learn from Each Other: A Comparative Netnography of Caregivers for Family Members Living with Alzheimer's and Related Dementias." Presented at the *Ethnography and Qualitative Research International Conference*. Trento.

Beckett, Cameron. 2022. "Migrant Narratives: Bureaucratic Barriers and Health Inequalities." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*. Los Angeles, CA.

professional service Peer Reviewer, Elsevier Journals in Sociology & Health, *Social Science & Medicine*, (01/2022-present)

Editor, *Salute e Società*, FrancoAngeli Publishing (12/2021-present)

professional memberships American Sociological Association (ASA), European Society for Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS), Associazione Italiana di Sociologia (AIS), Gerontological Society of America (GSA)

languages English: Native Speaker
Italian: C1 – Listening, Reading, Spoken interaction, Spoken production, Writing