

# Gianluca Mazzarella

## CURRICULUM VITAE



### Personal Details

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### Positions

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*September 2022 – now*

**Assistant Professor (RTD-A)** of Econometrics at the Department of Economics, Management, and Quantitative Methods (DEMM), Università degli Studi di Milano.

*October 2016 – August 2022*

**Research Fellow** at Joint Research Centre, Ispra, European Commission

*October 2015 – September 2016*

**PostDoc Researcher**

Department of Economics and Management

Advisor: Prof. Giorgio Brunello

*May 2015 – October 2015*

**Research Assistant**

Irvapp – Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies, Trento.

*June 2010 – December 2011*

**Junior Researcher.**

Irvapp – Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies, Trento.

## Research interests

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- Causal Inference
- Applied Microeconomics
- Labour Economics
- Unemployment benefits
- Retirement effects
- Regional & Urban Economics

## Education

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*January 2012 – October 2015*

**PhD in Statistics, Department of Statistical Sciences, University of Padova.**

*Thesis title: Combining Jump and Kink ratio in Regression Discontinuity Design*

Supervisor: Prof. Enrico Rettore

Viva Committee: Alessandro Buccioli, Margherita Fort, Bruno Scarpa

*October 2007 – March 2010*

**Master degree (*laurea specialistica/magistrale*) in Statistics, Economics and Finance.**

University of Padua, Faculty of Statistical Sciences

Title of dissertation: “Identification of Unemployment Benefits using Regression Discontinuity Design” (in Italian)

Supervisor: Prof. Adriano Paggiaro

Final mark: 110/110

*October 2004 – October 2007*

**Bachelor degree (*laurea triennale*) in Economics.**

University of Molise, Faculty of Economics

Title of dissertation: “Diebold-Mariano test for forecast comparison” (in Italian)

Supervisor: Prof. Claudio Lupi

Final mark: 110/110 cum laude.

## Publications

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### Articles in peer-review journals

- (1) *Can relief measures nudge compliance in a public health crisis? Evidence from a kinked fiscal policy rule*  
Joint with Claudio Deiana, Andrea Geraci and Fabio Sabatini.  
***Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization***, 202, 2022, 407-428  
Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jebo.2022.08.020>
- (2) *Employment protection legislation and household formation: evidence from Italy*  
Joint with Gianluca Cerruti, Gianluca Mazzarella and Mauro Migliavacca  
***Review of Economics of the Household***, 2022  
Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11150-022-09626-6>
- (3) *Perceived Risk and Vaccine Hesitancy: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from Italy.*  
Joint with Claudio Deiana, Andrea Geraci and Fabio Sabatini.  
***Health Economics***, 31(6), 2022, 1266-1275  
Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1002/hec.4506>
- (4) *A Babel of Web-Searches: Googling Unemployment During the Pandemic*  
Joint with Giulio Caperna, Marco Colagrossi and Andrea Geraci.  
***Labour Economics***, 74, 2022. Special Issue on *Measurement Issues in Labour Economics*.  
Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.labeco.2021.102097>

- (5) [\*The unexpected influencer: Pope Francis and European Perception on the Recent Refugee Crisis\*](#)  
 Con Claudio Deiana, Elena Claudia Meroni and Luca Tiozzo Pezzoli.  
*Oxford Economic Papers*, (2022)  
 Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1093/oep/gpac003>
- (6) [\*Geographical proximity to refugee reception centres and voting.\*](#)  
 Joint with Massimiliano Bratti, Claudio Deiana, Enkelejda Havari and Elena Claudia Meroni.  
*Journal of Urban Economics*, 120, 2020.  
 Winner of the 2018 Ezio Tarantelli award for the best paper at the Italian Association of Labour Economics.  
 Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jue.2020.103290>
- (7) [\*Does Postponing Minimum Retirement Age Improve Healthy Behaviours Before Retirement? Evidence from Middle- Aged Italian Workers.\*](#)  
 Joint with Marco Bertoni and Giorgio Brunello.  
*Journal of Health Economics* 58, 2018, 215-227.  
 Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhealeco.2018.02.011>

#### Other publications - Book Chapter

- (8) [\*Does the Road to Happiness Depend on the Retirement Decision? Evidence from Italy.\*](#)  
 (Book chapter)  
 Joint with Claudio Deiana.  
 In Nuno Crato and Paolo Paruolo “*Data-Driven Policy Impact Evaluation. How Access to Microdata is Transforming Policy Design*” (2018). Springer  
 Doi: [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-78461-8\\_15](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-78461-8_15)

#### Other publications - Italian Journal

- (9) [\*The effect of a mixed passive and active labour market policy: Evidence from an Italian programme for dismissed workers.\*](#)  
 Joint with Enrico Rettore, Ugo Trivellato, Nadir Zanini.  
*Rassegna Italiana di Valutazione* **58** (2014), 80–101 .  
 Doi: <https://doi.org/10.3280/RIV2014-058005>

#### Working papers

- (1) [\*Study Abroad Programmes and Students’ Academic Performance: Evidence from Erasmus Applications\*](#)  
 Joint with Silvia Granato, Enkelejda Havari and Sylke Viola Schnepf  
 IZA DP 14651.  
*Submitted*
- (2) [\*Evaluating the Impact of Price Caps - Evidence from the European Roam-Like-at-Home Regulation\*](#)  
 Joint with Giulia Canzian, Louis Ronchail, Frank Verboven and Stefano Verzillo.  
 CESifo Working Paper No. 9303  
 Other version: [CEPR Discussion Paper 16554](#)  
*Submitted.*

#### Works in progress

- (3) [\*Two Generations of Siblings and Cousins Correlations Across the Ancestors’ Wealth Distribution\*](#)  
 Joint with Marco Colagrossi, Claudio Deiana, Andrea Geraci and Ludovica Giua
- (4) [\*Sibling correlations in earnings across three immigrant generations.\*](#)  
 Joint with Marco Colagrossi, Claudio Deiana, Andrea Geraci and Ludovica Giua.
- (5) [\*Matching using sequences: the evaluation of the Irish JobsPlus wage subsidy scheme.\*](#)  
 Joint with Hugh Cronin, Antonella Ferrara, Andrea Geraci, and Giulia Santangelo.

#### Policy Reports

- (1) [\*Causal estimates of Geographical Indications’ effects on territorial development: feasibility and application\*](#)

- Joint with Montezuma Dumangane, Silvia Granato and Athanasios Lapatinas.  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2760/185956>
- (2) *The evaluation of the Youth Employment Initiative in Portugal using Counterfactual Impact Evaluation methods*  
Joint with Nuno Duarte, Andrea Geraci, Silvia Granato, Maria Joao Mortagua.  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2760/368100>
- (3) *How to use administrative data for ESF evaluation.*  
Joint with Paolo Paruolo  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2767/721497>
- (4) *JobsPlus evaluation.*  
Joint with Hugh Cronin, Antonella Ferrara, Geraci Andrea, Saidhbh  n Hardiman, Ciaran Judge and Giulia Santangelo.  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2760/986782>
- (5) *Feasibility study for the overall impact evaluation of the European Social Fund.*  
Joint with Claudio Deiana, Paolo Paruolo, Elena Claudia Meroni and Palma Mosberger.  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2760/774879>
- (6) *The regional dimension of the CAP: 2007-2018.*  
Joint with Montezuma Dumangane, Marzia Freo, Silvia Granato and Athanasios Lapatinas.  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2760/60203>
- (7) *An evaluation of the CAP impact: A discrete policy mix analysis.*  
Joint with Montezuma Dumangane, Marzia Freo, Silvia Granato and Athanasios Lapatinas.  
Doi: <http://doi.org/10.2760/72177>

## Conference presentations

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### Academic Conferences

- *BoMoPaV Economics Meetings*, 8th April 2016, University of Bologna
- *32nd Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE)*, 25-27th June, 2018, University of Antwerp
- *COMPIE conference*, 23rd-25th June, 2021, Online conference.
- *European Association of Labour Economists (EALE)*, 16-18th June, 2021, Online conference.

### Policy Presentations and Trainings

- *European Social Fund Partnership Meeting*, 15th March 2017, Bruxelles
- *Training on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation for Hungarian Ministries*, 18th October 2017, Budapest
- *Community of Practice on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation (CoP-CIE)*, 8th December 2017, Bruxelles
- *European Social Fund Partnership Meeting*, 11th April 2018, Bruxelles
- *Community of Practice on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation (CoP-CIE)*, 14th June 2018, Athens
- *Training on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation for Greek Ministries*, 15 June 2018, Athens
- *First evidence of the Roaming-Like-at-Home regulation*, 5th July, 2018, Berec Authority, Bruxelles
- *Community of Practice on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation (CoP-CIE)*, 7th June 2019, Dublin
- *Training on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation for Croatian Ministries*, 20th-22nd October 2020, Online Event.
- *Community of Practice on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation (CoP-CIE)*, 10-12th November 2020, Online Event.
- *Case studies in Microeconomic Evaluation*, 24th November 2020, Online Event.
- *European Social Fund Partnership Meeting*, 24th February 2021, Online Event.

- *Community of Practice on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation (CoP-CIE)*, 16-18th June 2021, Online Event.
- *Training on Counterfactual Impact Evaluation for Bank of Portugal*, 22nd-24th September 2021, Online Event.

## Visiting period

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*February 2014 – June 2014*

Department of Statistics, Harvard University,  
Cambridge, USA.

## Computer skills

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- **Operating Systems:** Mac OS, Linux, Windows
- **Statistical Software:** R (advanced), Stata (advanced), SAS (basic)
- **Programming Languages:** SQL (basic)
- **Other Software:** L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Microsoft Office

## Language skills

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- **Italian:** native
- **English:** excellent
- **French:** basic

## Teaching experiences

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*September 2022 – December 2022*

Advanced Computer Skills

Master Degree in Economics and political science (EPS)

University of Milan

Instructor, 20 hours

*January 2013 – June 2013*

Statistics

Bachelor Degree in Molecular Biology

University of Padua

Teaching assistant, 20 hours

Instructor: Prof. Alessandra Bianchi

*October 2015 – January 2016*

Statistics

Bachelor Degree in Statistics

University of Padua

Teaching assistant, 25 hours

Instructor: Prof. Alessandra Della Valle

*February 2016 – June 2016*

Statistics

Bachelor Degree in Economics

University of Padua

Teaching assistant, 25 hours

Instructor: Prof. Tommaso Di Fonzo

## References

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