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## Education

*KU Leuven, BE*

2020-2024

Ph.D. Social Sciences - ERC starting grant

Promoter: Laura Vandebosch

PhD committee: Steven Eggermont, Giselinde Kuipers, Tom ter Bogt

[Project website](#)

*Tilburg University, NL*

2017-2019

M.Sc. (Res.) Social Sciences

Awarded best student, GPA 8.41/10, cum laude

*University of Trento, IT*

2014-2017

B.A. Sociology

GPA 28.74/30, 110 cum laude

## Research interests

**Cultural/cognitive sociology and inequalities:** meritocracy, individualism, and social status; boundary-making processes; embodied beliefs, with particular attention to processes of information encoding and storage of multi-sensory and linguistic stimuli

**Media effects:** music portrayals of inequalities and social status; adolescents' patterns of music consumption and influences on their beliefs about inequalities.

**Advanced quantitative research methods:** computational social science methods, including statistical inference in networks (ERGM, TERGM), text as data (structural topic modeling, scaling methods); structural equation modeling; multilevel analysis.

## Publications

### BOOK CHAPTERS

**Carbone, Luca** .2019. "Il mercato comunicativo su Twitter nelle europee 2019." In: Valbruzzi, Marco (Ed.) *L'Italia sovranista e la sfida all'Europa. Le elezioni europee ed amministrative 2019* (56-63). Bologna: Istituto Carlo Cattaneo. DOI: 10.31484/2611-5778\_41

**Carbone, Luca** .2019. "Twitter come mercato comunicativo? Un'analisi sulle europee 2019." In: Valbruzzi, Marco (Ed.) *L'Italia sovranista e la sfida all'Europa. Le elezioni europee ed*

*amministrative* 2019 (65-73). Bologna: Istituto Carlo Cattaneo. DOI: 10.31484/2611-5778\_41

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

**Carbone, Luca**, Vandenbosch, Laura, & Song, Hyunjin (Kookmin University): “Content analysis of music lyrics and chords. Using inferential network analysis for the detection of a meritocratic frame.” (Drafting)

**Carbone, Luca** & Vandenbosch, Laura: “A systematic literature review of the quantitative research about music effects on beliefs.” (Drafting)

**Carbone, Luca**, Mijs, Jonathan (Harvard University, Erasmus University), & Daedekindt, Stijn (Ghent University): “Tracking or Trailing? The Eurovision event and its relationships with public opinions.” (Drafting)

**Carbone, Luca** & Mijs, Jonathan (Harvard University, Erasmus University): “Sounds like meritocracy to my ears: Coupling word embedding and topic modeling to understand how music conveys the meaning of inequality.” (Under review - preprint available [here](#))

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Brusco, Sandro; **Carbone, Luca**; Miglino, Enrico; Tazzioli, Agostino (2019, 30 May), Una semplice analisi econometrica del voto a Più Europa del 2019 (A simple econometric analysis of the 2019 vote to +Europe). Research report for NoiseFromAmerika. Available [here](#)

**Carbone, Luca** (2019, 6 February), Il Dibattito Online sull’Immigrazione in Italia (The Online Debate about Immigration in Italy). Research report for Istituto Carlo Cattaneo. Available [here](#)

**Carbone, Luca** (2018, 21 August), Sociology Journals and Network Proprieties of the St. Matthew Effect [blog post]. Available [here](#)

#### Awards & Funds

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University of Chicago, scholarship & Dean’s fellowship (\$31,500). 2019-2020  
(*declined due to insufficient financial resources to enroll in the program*)

Tilburg University, visiting fund at Exeter University (€1000). June-August 2018

#### Conference Presentations

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116th ASA Virtual Annual Meeting (American Sociological Association), Chicago. 2021

7th International Conference on Computational Social Science IC2S2, ETH Zürich. 2021

4th Joint Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference, Tilburg University.	2021
IV Forum of Sociology (International Sociological Association), Porto Alegre.	2021
Day of Sociology, Amsterdam.	2019

## Professional Activities

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### ACADEMIC SERVICE

Presider roundtable cultural sociology (section on Meritocracy) at 116th ASA Virtual Annual Meeting.

### OCCASIONAL REVIEWER

Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour

### SERVICES

Co-Director of MethLab September 2020-present  
*Meth-Lab* is a bottom-up initiative created by Lala Muradova and Amélie Godefroidt at KU Leuven for the sharing and presentation of novel methodological techniques. As a co-director, I am responsible for contacting and welcoming national and international speakers, the organization of the meetings, the promotion of the events, and the management of finances.

Member of Diversity and Sustainability Commission at KU Leuven (FSW) April 2021- present

### MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

Netherlands – Flanders Communication Association (NeFCA). 2020-present

American Sociological Association (ASA). 2021-present

## Research Experience

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Department of Sociology, Tilburg University March 2019 – September 2019  
 Research assistant, Supervisor: Prof. dr. Ruud Muffels  
*Research on basic income in the Netherlands.*

Research Institute Carlo Cattaneo, Bologna January 2019 – June 2019  
 Research collaborator  
*Political discourses on Twitter.*

Research Institute IRVAPP, Trento February 2017 – May 2017  
 Research internship, Supervisor: Dr. Sonia Marzadro  
*Evaluation of social policies for the European project Youth Guarantee.*

## Teaching Experience

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Department of Sociology, Tilburg University

March 2017 – June 2017

Teaching assistant

*Course: Social Risk and Culture*

Department of Methodology & Statistics, Tilburg University

February 2017 – June 2017

Teaching assistant

*Courses: Introduction to Statistics, Questionnaire design, Experimental design*

## Software

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chorrrds: Music chords extraction - Collaborator

Available at: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=chorrrds>

## Skills

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### PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES & SOFTWARES

R (Advanced)

Markdown (Intermediate)

Python (Intermediate)

### LANGUAGES

Italian (Native speaker)

English (Full professional proficiency)

Spanish (Elementary proficiency) French (Elementary proficiency)

### ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, Essex University

August, 2020

*Mathematics, Quantitative text analysis*

MOOC on “Introduction to Agent-Based Modeling”, Santa Fe Institute

October, 2019

*Agent-based modelling on NetLogo*

MOOC on “Social and Economic Networks: Models and Analysis”,

August, 2019

Stanford University

*Social network analysis*

Summer School at CWST Center, Leiden University

August, 2018

*Scientometrics analysis*

Seminar on The Path to Quantitative Research, University of Trento

2016

*Factor analysis and counterfactual techniques for impact evaluation*

## SOCIAL CAUSES

Volunteering for Cultuur en Ontspanningscentrum

April 2019 – June 2019

*The mission is to integrate sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expression, and sex characteristics of sexual and gender minority groups into the social norm through social activism, education, support, and representation.*

Volunteering for “L’Universitario”

September 2016 – June 2017

*Founder of this university newspaper and director section “Scientific Divulcation”.*

Volunteering for Arci

June 2014 – July 2014

*Requalification of terrains confiscated to mafia with the project “Campi della Legalità”.*

## References

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