

Lydia Camp

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Research Interests

economic sociology, labor and financial markets, network analysis, sociology of employment, uncertainty

Education

Juan March Institute, Carlos III University of Madrid

MA in Social Sciences

GPA: 9.77/10.0

Funded by the Fulbright Commission (2024–2026)

Madrid, Spain

2024–2026 (expected)

University of Oxford

Visiting Student at Wycliffe Hall (Hilary and Michaelmas Terms)

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Oxford, UK

Jan–Dec 2023

Belmont University

BBA in International Business with an Emphasis in Economics (Honors)

GPA: 4.0/4.0, *summa cum laude*

Semester Abroad at Harlaxton Manor (2022)

Nashville, TN

2020–2024

Grants and Awards

Fulbright Scholarship Recipient (\$36,360)

2024–2026

Top Summa Award Winner, Belmont University (\$250)

May 2024

Global Citizen Award, Belmont University (\$100)

Apr 2024

SCIO De Jager Alumni Prize (Michaelmas Term), University of Oxford (highest in cohort, \$100)

Feb 2024

SCIO De Jager Alumni Prize (Hilary Term), University of Oxford (highest in cohort, \$100)

May 2023

Various Academic Merit Scholarships, Belmont University (\$102,650)

2020–2024

Conferences and Presentations

EU-US Young Leaders Seminar in Brussels, Belgium

March 2026

- Nominated by the Spanish Fulbright Commission out of 40+ applicants as the sole Fulbright scholar representing Spain for the 2026 EU–US Young Leaders Seminar ("The Future of Skills and Leadership").
- Funded by the U.S. Department of State and the EU Delegation to the United States.

Fulbright Mid-Year Conference in Santander, Spain

February 2026

- Invited to present research on employee ownership to the entire cohort of Spain Fulbright Grantees at the annual mid-year conference.
- Funded by the Spanish Fulbright Commission.

Research

Working Papers:

- "Stability Pays Dividends: Financial Market Exposure and Political Risk."

Master's Thesis, UC3M-IC3JM (Supervised by Dr. Juan Diez Medrano) 2025–2026

- "When Strikes Meet Stocks: The Historical Interplay Between Organized Labor and Employee Ownership."

Undergraduate Thesis, University of Oxford (Supervised by Dr. Elizabeth Baigent) 2024–2025

- "The Model Minority in the UK? Ugandan Asians and the Politics of Integration."
- Synthesized 50+ primary and secondary sources, including multimedia interviews, contemporary articles, and previously embargoed physical documents from *The National Archives* (London).

Graduate Course Projects

Social Stratification I with Dr. Héctor Cebolla-Boado Spring 2025

- Designed a field experiment investigating the causal effects of highbrow cultural capital signals on professional network formation by sending 9,000 connection requests from AI-generated LinkedIn profiles.

Applied Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences II with Dr. Patrick W. Kraft Spring 2025

- Partnered with one graduate student to replicate, extend, and present a published paper considering the relationship between occupations and political preferences (Kitschelt and Rehm 2014).

Academic Experience and Additional Training

UC3M-IC3JM Research Assistantship with Dr. Juan Diez Medrano Jan 2025 – Present

Network Theory for the Social Sciences (Python), UC3M-Santander Big Data Institute (iBiDat) 2025

Machine Learning Workshop (R), UC3M-IC3JM (Taught by Dr. Patrick W. Kraft) 2024

Software Skills

Statistical Programming: R, Python

Network Analysis: R packages `igraph`, `sna`

Web Scraping: R packages `rvest`, `httr`

Geospatial Analysis: R packages `spdep`, `spatialreg`

Text Editing & Citation Management: \LaTeX /Overleaf, Markdown, Git, Zotero

Community Involvement

Writing Mentor, EducationUSA-Spain (Fulbright Commission) 2024

Refugee Resettlement Assistant, Nashville International Center for Empowerment 2024

Junior Common Room (JCR) Secretary, Scholarship and Christianity in Oxford 2023

Athletics: Selected for the Oxford University Cross Country Club (OUCCC) Blues Performance Scheme 2023

Languages

English (Native), **Spanish** (Professional Working Proficiency)