

Lydia Camp

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Research Interests

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

Honors (*Matrícula de Honor*, top 5%) in Sociological Analysis, Microeconomics, Game Theory, Social Stratification, and Applied Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences

Madrid, Spain

2024–2026 (expected)

University of Oxford

Oxford, UK

Visiting Student at Wycliffe Hall (Hilary and Michaelmas Terms)

Jan–Dec 2023

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Belmont University

Nashville, TN

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

2020–2024

GPA: 4.0/4.0, *summa cum laude*

Semester Abroad at Harlaxton Manor (2022)

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

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

- "The Paradox of Employee Ownership: Perceived Threats of Unionization and the Decline of Shared Capitalism in Corporate America."

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).

Conferences

EU-US Young Leaders Seminar: The Future of Skills and Leadership

March 2026

- Nominated by the Spanish Fulbright Commission as the sole Fulbright scholar representing Spain for the 2026 EU-US Young Leaders Seminar in Brussels, Belgium.

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).
- Created new attitudinal factor scores, incorporated a multilevel modeling strategy, and discovered the moderating effect of union membership.

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: L^AT_EX/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)