

# Stefano Sangiovanni

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## EDUCATION

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### NASP Graduate School, University of Milan

October 2023 – Present

*Ph.D Candidate in Political Studies*

*Milan, Italy*

- Supervisors: Prof. Andrea Ceron, Prof. Giovanna M. Invernizzi
- Thesis Title (provisional): “The balance between positional and valence issues in party competition”
- Research Interests: Political Parties, Computational Methods, Electoral Behavior, Political Scandals, Quantitative Text Analysis, Survey Experiments

### University of Milan

October 2020 – March 2023

*Master’s Degree in Administration and Public Policy, 110/110 with honours*

*Milan, Italy*

- Thesis Title: “Communicating in times of crisis: a comparative analysis of school policy discourse in Italy and Great Britain during the covid-19 pandemic”
- Conducted a comparative analysis of 14 school policy discourses in Italy and Great Britain during the COVID-19 pandemic, building a framework to measure the quality of the discourse. Utilized sentiment analysis with Python on over 15k tweets to assess whether high-quality discourse resulted in a positive sentiment from users

### University of Milan-Bicocca

October 2017 – October 2020

*Bachelor’s Degree in Sociology*

*Milan, Italy*

- Thesis Title: “Gender Representations in the Media: The Model of the Global Media Monitoring Project”

## SUMMER, WINTER SCHOOLS & ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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### Large Language Models for Political Scientists, SISP 2024

September 2024

Gained hands-on experience with LLMs for political science research using Python

### Summer Institute in Computational Social Science, University of Bologna

June 2024

2-weeks summer school on computational methods, with competitive selection process

### RECSM Winter Methods School, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

March 2023

Network Analysis and Visualization with R

### RECSM Summer Methods School, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

June 2022

Introduction to Python, Introduction to R, Survey Methodology and Survey Design

## TEACHING & TUTORING

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### Guest Lectures

#### Political Sociology

2023 – 2024

*BA in International Sciences and European Institutions, University of Milan*

Course held by Prof. Cristiano Vezzoni

Lecture: “Measuring Democracy: Theory and Practice” – [Lecture slides](#)

#### Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs

2024

*Thesis Seminars for Master’s students, University of Milan*

Lecture: “How to plan a social sciences research design” – [Lecture slides](#)

Lecture: “Introduction to Qualitative Research” – [Lecture slides](#)

### Academic Tutoring & Teaching Assistant

#### Master’s Degree Course in Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs

January 2024 – Present

*University of Milan, Italy*

#### Bachelor’s Degree Course in Political Science

September 2023 – Present

*University of Milan, Italy*

PUBLICATIONS, CONFERENCES & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Conferences & Seminar Presentations

- 2025** Sangiovanni, S., Ceron, A. & Invernizzi G. M., “Investigating Political Scandals: Combining Conjoint Analysis and Audio-Based Experiments.” *MZES-DVPW Conference Methods of Political Science*, University of Mannheim
- 2024** Platini, U. & Sangiovanni, S., “Analyzing Public Perceptions of Government Actions and Political Scandals Through Survey Experimental Designs.” *POLS PIRSS Seminars Series*, University of Milan
- 2024** SISP 2024 Conference. *Italian political science association, University of Trieste*. 12-14 September 2024
- 2024** Sangiovanni, S., “Valence Theory and Political Scandals: A Proposal of a Conjoint Experiment.” *CCA Days*, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin
- 2022** Sangiovanni, S., Lombardi, A., Nascone, M., Rossoni, E. “European Emission Trading System: The impact of EU-ETS on costs and benefits.” *Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence*, University of Milan

Working Papers

- Sangiovanni, S. “Policy Shifts and Strategic Valence Emphasis in Electoral Competition”
- C elebrin, G., Sangiovanni, S. “Generational Perspectives on Democracy: Migrants’ Satisfaction Across National and European Levels“
- Holdrich, E., Sangiovanni, S., Végh, M. “Analyzing Hungarian Parliamentary Debates with ManifestoBERTa”
- Sangiovanni, S. “Valence Theory and Political Scandals: a Conjoint Experiment Design”
- Sangiovanni, S. “Feeding the Cycle of Negativity: Exploring the Media’s Influence on the Tone of Electoral Campaigns”

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Academic

- Conference Organization Team Member** September 2023  
*ESPAnet 2023, University of Milan, Italy*  
Managed logistics for conference sessions and collaborated with colleagues in supervising students responsible for assisting conference attendees. Contributed to the preparation of conference materials and documentation
- Research Assistant** October 2020 – December 2020  
*Global Media Monitoring Project, University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy*  
Collected and analyzed tweets from 7 Italian newspapers as part of the Global Media Monitoring Project, in collaboration with the Milano-Bicocca University research group. [Read the italian GMMP 2020 Report](#)
- Tutoring Online Project** October 2022 – March 2023  
*Bocconi University - Harvard University, Milan, Italy*  
Delivered over 40 hours of tutorship in Mathematics, English, and Italian to support students with financial and learning difficulties

Extra-Academic

- Esports Caster – Content Creator** September 2014 – May 2018  
*Spaziogames, Milan, Italy*  
Created content and managed live streaming events via OBS Studio, provided live commentary for esports tournaments with over 5k viewers and wrote articles and reviews for the website

SKILLS

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| Languages             | English (IELTS Academic Band 8, C1), Italian (native), Spanish (A2) |
| Programming Languages | R, Python, LaTeX, SQL   |
| Data Analysis Tools   | STATA, Tableau, SPSS  |
| Developer Tools       | Git, GitHub, VisualStudio Code, Jupyter Notebook                    |
| Live Streaming Tools  | OBS Studio, OBS Ninja, StreamElements                               |
| GIS Tools             | QGIS  |