



PERSONAL INFORMATION

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LANGUAGES

- Italian (mother tongue)
- English C1 (IELTS)
- Spanish C1 (DELE)
- German B1

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Demography, international migration, family dynamics, physical and mental health inequalities, research methods.

COMPETENCES

- Stata
- UCINET
- Atlas.ti
- Web Survey
- MS Office

MARGHERITA ODASSO

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PhD in Demography – Centro de Estudios Demográficos – Barcelona, Spain

Starting October 2023

Visiting Research Associate – Tower Center (SMU) - Dallas, USA

April 2023 – July 2023

I worked, with Prof. Hollifield and Prof. Brettell, on a project studying what happens to families when members are separated for a long time due to international migration. With the support of the Mexican Consulate in Dallas, I conducted interviews with Mexican migrant fathers in Texas.

Research Fellow - University of Trento - Trento, Italy

December 2022 – present

Together with Prof. Sciortino and Prof. Cvajner, I am conducting research on the sociability of first- and second-generation immigrants in Italian schools.

Since February, I am also part of the Horizon project "Rethinking Inclusion and Gender empowerment: A participatory action research". I am responsible for quantitative analysis for the University of Trento.

Intern - Research Foundation Carlo Cattaneo - Bologna, Italy

April 2022 – August 2022

I worked in a team led by Prof. Colombo that studied changing attitudes, practices, and beliefs about death in Italy and in Europe. I carried out data analysis and data management.

TA Quantitative Methods - University of Trento - Trento, Italy

October 2021 – February 2022

Lectures, support, and guidance to students on exercises and concepts in statistics and quantitative methodology.

Project Assistant - IEV – Mpigi District, Uganda

August 2021 - September 2021

I participated in a program to teach to children in disadvantaged contexts and support the local community.

Communication and Fundraising Officer - WW GVC - Bologna, Italy

January 2020 – August 2020

I worked to guarantee quality of project proposals/reports and promote awareness campaigns.

Radio Presenter and Editor – Europhonica - Strasbourg, France

September 2017 – February 2019

I was part of an editorial team broadcasting monthly from the EU Parliament in Strasbourg.

Europhonica was selected as the 2019 Charlemagne Youth Prize winner out of 285 projects.

Intern - EURAC Research - Bolzano, Italy

June 2017 – August 2017

I worked with the Research Development Office and the Department of Minority Rights, supporting the development of research proposals.

Student Representative - Regional Student Council - Trento, Italy

September 2015 – June 2016

I was elected school representative to the Regional Student Council.

EDUCATION

Master's Degree in Sociology and Social Research - University of Trento - Trento, Italy

December 2020 – November 2022

Average grade: 29/30, magna cum laude.

Thesis title: "Transnational Parents in Italy: Life Satisfaction and Mental Health", supervisors Prof. Vitali, Prof. Sciortino and Prof. Cvajner.

My thesis examined the immigrant population in Italy, particularly in relation to the perceived well-being of parents with children in their country of origin, using survey data.

Master's Degree in Transnational Governance - European University Institute - Fiesole, Italy

September 2020 – December 2020

Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and International Relations – University of Bologna - Bologna, Italy

September 2016 – March 2020

Average grade: 29/30, magna cum laude.

Thesis title: "Italiani all'estero: quelli che tornano", supervisor Prof. Asher Colombo.

European Studies (Erasmus) - Maastricht University - Maastricht, the Netherlands

August 2018 – February 2019

Summer School: The World in Turmoil in the Era of Migration: Territory, Rights and Power Sharing - EURAC Research - Bolzano, Italy

July 2017

Diploma di Maturità Scientifica - Liceo Scientifico Galilei - Trento, Italy

September 2011 - July 2016

Colegio Iberoamericano de Mérida - AFS Exchange Student - Mérida, Mexico

August 2014 – July 2015

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship - European University Institute

May 2020

Full scholarship to attend the master's degree in Transnational Governance at EUI.

Award for Outstanding Student - University of Bologna

March 2018

Winner for most distinguished student award at the University of Bologna.

CONFERENCES

30-31 March 2023. "Taking Social Integration Seriously: Sociability and Trust Networks of Italian immigrants". European Sociological Association (ESA) Midterm Conference, Naples. (Participation as speaker)

1-3 February 2023. "Transnational Parents in Italy: Life Satisfaction and Mental Health". PopDays2023, organized by the Italian Association for Population Studies (Sis-Aisp), Rome. (Participation as speaker)

PUBLICATIONS

Work in progress "Transnational Parents in Italy: Life Satisfaction and Mental Health". Authors: Margherita Odasso, Agnese Vitali, Giuseppe Sciortino, Martina Cvajner.

Work in progress "Taking Social Integration Seriously: Sociability and Trust Networks of Italian immigrants" in the book "Eternal Beginners? Immigration in Italian Society" edited by Giuseppe Sciortino, Salvatore Strozza, Corrado Bonifazi, and Ivana Fellini. Authors: Margherita Odasso and Martina Cvajner.