ILARIA PECORARO

Curriculum Vitae

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Citizenship: Italian — Linguistic skills: Italian (Mother tongue), English (C1), Spanish (B2), German (A2)

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Social and Political Sciences
Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin, Italy
Duration: 2 years
Graduation: 28th March 2025
GPA: 3.7/4.0
Final year project (first year): Are women more religious than men? A micro-macro interpretative scheme.
Supervisor: Prof. Tiziana Nazio
Final thesis (second year): Informational influence, uncertainty and cooperative social norms. Evidence from a collective risk social dilemma.
Supervisor: Prof. Aron Szekely
Final Grade: Graduated with special mention

Master of Arts in Sociology
Department of Society, Policy and Culture, University of Turin, Italy
Duration: 2 years
Graduation: 24th March 2025
GPA: 3.87/4.00
Final thesis: How do people update their cooperative social norms? Analysis of a lab experiment.
Supervisor: Prof. Davide Barrera
Co-supervisor: Prof. Aron Szekely
Final grade: 110/110 cum laude

Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences for Globalisation
Department of Political, Economic and Social sciences, University of Milan, Italy
Duration: 3 years
Graduation: 20th July 2022
GPA: 3.91/4.00
Final thesis: Realistic Evaluation of Treatment Pathways for Love Addiction. The Case of the Indipendente Project, funded by the Ticino Olona Community Foundation.
Supervisor: Prof. Ferruccio Biolcati Rinaldi
Final grade: 110/110 cum laude

STATISTICAL AND METHODOLOGICAL EXPERTISE

Research Design and Causal Inference

- Advanced training in experimental and quasi-experimental methods: Randomized Controlled Trials (RCTs), Instrumental Variables (IV), Difference in Differences (DiD), Regression Discontinuity Design (RDD), survey experiments.
- Training in qualitative research designs, in-depth interviews and focus group.

Statistical Analysis and Data Management

- OLS multivariate regression with clustered standard errors, multinomial and logistic regression analysis and marginal effects, including interaction effects and lagged variable specifications.
- Secondary data analysis (e.g. ISSP; ESS; OECD Study on Social and Emotional Skills).
- Data cleaning, management and reproducible workflows in STATA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Predoctoral Researcher in Demography
November 2026 - Present (until November 2029)
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB) and Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics (CED), Barcelona, Spain

Research Assistant
November 2025 - November 2026 (1 year)
Impact Evaluation Unit, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin, Italy
Project title: Boosting Digital Capacity (Fondazione per la Scuola).

Statistical analysis and data management of five laboratory activities aimed at developing digital skills for primary and secondary school teachers.

Research Assistant
July - August 2025 (2 months)
Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin, Italy
Project title: The Perpetual Refugee Crisis in Italy and beyond: Humanitarian Emergencies, Prejudice, and Social Capital among Host Communities - Work Package 4 on Social Capital and Trust in Border Communities (within the PRIN-PNRR grant program 2023).

Transcription of 39 in-depth interviews from audio to text with the assistance of an R-based code.

Research Assistant
March - June 2025 (4 months)
Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin, Italy
Project title: Measuring Gender Norms using a Validated Survey Instrument.

Support for laboratory experiments, including participant reception, provision of instructions, software management and debugging, and other related tasks, as well as administrative support activities such as data processing and statistical analysis.

WORK AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Collaborator in Demographic Policy and Early Childhood Services
June 2026 - October 2026 (5 months)
ANCI Lombardia (National Association of Italian Municipalities), Milan, Italy

Support to municipalities in monitoring the allocation of national funds for the integrated system of education and care for children aged 0 to 6, in the framework of the National Action Plan 2021 to 2025. Activities focus on demographic change, institutional responses to low fertility, and implementation of early childhood education and care policies at the local level.

Staff assistant in support of the Mayor's office
May 2025 - June 2026 (part-time, 18h/week)
Mayor's Office, Municipality of Legnano (MI), Italy

Implementation of behavioral research projects on energy efficiency and plastic packaging management for small businesses, in collaboration with the University of Milan and other non-academic stakeholders within the EU Green Deal and the European Commission's Intelligent Cities Challenge.

Italian National Civil Service Volunteer
September 2024 - June 2025 (10 months)
Punto Informativo Unificato and Torino Urban Lab, Municipality of Turin, Turin, Italy

Front-office services, attendance data management (Excel) and digital civic communication on local governance.

Collaborator in Active Aging and Social Inclusion
November 2021 - May 2022 (7 months)
AUSER Ticino Olona, Legnano (MI), Italy

Support to elderly people within the framework of the "Time to Care" project, funded by the Italian Department for Family Policies. Activities aimed at fostering intergenerational exchange during the post-Covid-19 emergency.

CERTIFICATIONS

ZETA LAB: Training program for young local administrators
Date: March - June 2025
Institution: Città di Torino and ANCI Piemonte, Turin, Italy

Course on Impact Policy Evaluation
Date: April - May 2024
Institution: Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies (IRVAPP) and Bruno Kessler Foundation (BKF), Trento, Italy

Summer School - Statistical Analysis for Cross-sectional and Longitudinal Social Network Analysis
Date: July 2023
Institution: Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
Statistical programme: R - package RSiena

Winter School - Social Europe: European Union Policies
Date: April 2021
Institution: ISPI School, Milan, Italy

DELE Nivel B2
Date: July 2019
Institution: Instituto Cervantes in Milan
Final score: 85/100