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EDUCATION

- PhD Political Science**, European Institute Sep 2023 — Expected: 2027
London School of Economics and Political Science
Supervisor: Professor Chris Anderson and Professor Sara Hobolt
- MSc Social Research Methods**, Department of Methodology Sep 2022 — Aug 2023
London School of Economics and Political Science
- BA History and International Relations**, Department of Politics Sep 2019 — July 2022
University of Exeter

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Behaviour, Political Identities, Operationalisation and Measurement, Social Network Analysis, Large Language Models, Mixed-Methods Research Design

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Exploring the Euro-Self: Political Identities Beyond Citizenship in Post-Brexit England (*Under Review*)
- From Booths to Beliefs: A Cognitive Dissonance Approach to Elections in Europe

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Teaching Assistant (MSc Level)**, Department of Methodology Sep 2024 - Current
- Introduction to Quantitative Analysis
 - Social Network Analysis
- Graduate Teaching Assistant (Undergrad Level)**, Department of Government Jun 2024
- CIVICA European Week

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Research Assistant** Jan 2024 - Current
Dr Miguel Pereira, London School of Economics and Political Science
- Supporting the design and implementation of a field experiment
 - Training local politicians in evidence-based policy making and statistical literacy

INVITED TALKS

- Summer School “Democratic Decline and Resilience” at Université de Montréal 2024
Consequences of Identity Politics Workshop, University of Southampton 2024
CIVICA Summer School on Transnational Democracy at European University Institute 2023
The Grand Challenges Scholars Program 2021

CONFERENCES PRESENTATIONS

- Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP) Conference 2024
UK Political Psychology Conference 2024

GRANTS and AWARDS

- Summer School “Democratic Decline and Resilience” Travel Grant
University of Oxford Large Language Models Travel Grant
LSE Studentship

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

LSE, Reproducible Pipelines for Social Scientific Research in R Workshop by Daniel De Kadt	2024
LSE, Political Psychology by Edoardo Zulato	2024
LSE, Causal Inference for Observational and Experimental Studies by Daniel De Kadt	2024
University of Oxford, Large Language Models Workshop (2023)	

ACADEMIC SERVICES

<i>Advisor for Master's Students Dissertation</i>	Apr 2024 — Current
<i>CIVICA Student Ambassador</i>	Sep 2023 — Sep 2024
<i>Student Representative of the European Institute PhD students</i>	Sep 2023 — Sep 2024
<i>Student Representative of the European Institute 2023 Cohort</i>	Sep 2023 — Sep 2024

SKILLS

- **Languages:** Exceptional written and verbal communication skills in English and Italian, working knowledge of French (B2) and basic knowledge of Spanish (B1)
- **Quantitative:** R, R Markdown, Python, Social Network Analysis (igraph, statnet, ERGMs, Network Canvas), Git, LaTeX
- **Qualitative:** Interviews, Focus Groups, Thematic Text Analysis, NVivo

FIELDWORK

Italy: Focus groups with participants from Naples and Florence	Apr 2024 - July 2024
England: In-depth interviews with English students	Apr 2023 - July 2023