

## Education

Nov 2021 (ongoing)	PhD Candidate in Regional Science and Economic Geography Social Sciences Area, Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI) - L'Aquila (IT) Supervisors: Andrea Ascani, Alessandra Faggian (GSSI); Augusto Cerqua (Sapienza University of Rome)
Sep 2017 – Dec 2019	MSc in Statistics, Economics and Business ( <i>with honours</i> ) Department of Statistical Sciences, University of Bologna - Bologna (IT)
Sep 2014 – Jul 2017	BA in International Studies ( <i>with honours</i> ) Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento - Trento (IT)
Sep 2009 – Oct 2020	MA in Classical Piano Conservatory of Music E.F. Dall'Abaco - Verona (IT)

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## Published journal articles

Cerqua A, Giannantoni C, Zampollo F, Mazziotta M (2025), The Municipal Administration Quality Index: The Italian Case. *Social Indicators Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11205-024-03511-8>

Cerqua A, Zampollo F (2023) Deeds or words? The local influence of anti-immigrant parties on foreigners' flows. *European Journal of Political Economy*, 3: 102275. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejpoleco.2022.102275>  
Outreach version (in Italian): [Link](#) ; Media coverage: [la Repubblica](#); [Openpolis](#)

Cerqua A, Letta M, Zampollo F (2022) The Italian Geography of Discontent. *Scienze Regionali, Italian Journal of Regional Science*, 3: 367-384. <https://doi.org/10.14650/105121>

## Working papers

Baiocchi G, Castaldo C, Noy I, Zampollo F (2025), The Adverse Impacts of Disasters In-Name-Only. CESifo Working Paper 11681. [Link](#).

Cerqua A, Giannantoni C, Zampollo F (2025), The Causal Effect of Municipal Mergers on Local Institutional Quality. Available at SSRN. [Link](#).

Zampollo F, Ascani A, Faggian A (2024), "Please, don't go". The role of local public human capital in post-disaster recovery. *GSSI Discussion Paper Series*, 5. [Link](#). Currently R&R.

## Book chapters and Reports

Bertani M, Franzoni V, Furlani M, Pecci F, Perali F, Zampollo F (2020), Emergenza Covid-19 e volontariato veronese. Impatto e resilienza nei mesi del lockdown. *Economics Living Lab Reports*. [Link](#).

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## Academic experience

### Past job positions

Nov 2020 – Oct 2021	Pre-doc research assistant Department of Economics, University of Verona - Verona (IT) Supervisor: Federico Perali (University of Verona)
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### Visiting appointments

Apr 2024 – June 2024	London School of Economics and Political Science Department of Geography and Environment - Cañada Blanch Research Center Host: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose (London School of Economics)
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**Review activity for scientific journals** (in alphabetical order)

European Journal of Political Economy; GSSI Discussion Paper Series; Italian Economic Journal; Journal of Regional Science.

**Conferences and Workshops** (in alphabetical order)

AISRE (Italian Regional Science Association) online conference, 2020, 2021; onsite conference, 2023 (University of Naples), 2024 (University of Turin).  
8° CEnSE (Center for Entrepreneurship and Spatial Economics) Workshop, Jönköping International Business School, 2024.  
ERSA (European Regional Science Association) online conference, 2021; onsite conference, 2023 (University of Alicante).  
IAERE (Italian Association of Environmental and Resource Economists) conference, 2025 (Roma Tre University).  
LAGV (23° Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet) conference in Public Economics, Aix-Marseille School of Economics, 2024.  
LSE-Miguel Dols’ Fellows’ Lecture, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2024.  
SIE (Italian Society of Economics) conference, Gran Sasso Science Institute, 2023.  
The Spatial Turn in Applied social and economic research, PhD conference, Sapienza University of Rome, 2022.

**Training**

May 2023	The Economic Geography of Spatial Disparities Summer school - Regional Studies Association Europe & Gran Sasso Science Institute (L’Aquila, IT)
Feb 2023	Advanced Methods for Policy Evaluation Winter school - Fondazione Bruno Kessler (Trento, IT)
Jul 2022	Foundations of Data Analysis and Machine Learning with Python Summer school - Tinbergen Institute (Amsterdam, Netherlands)
Jul 2022	Centre and periphery in a post-COVID world: challenges and opportunities Summer school - Associazione Italiana di Scienze Regionali & Gran Sasso Science Institute (L’Aquila, IT)

**Organisational activity**

Co-organiser of the III PhD Workshop «Economy and Space» (Sapienza University of Rome, 2025).  
Co-organiser of the II PhD Workshop «Economy and Space» (Gran Sasso Science Institute, 2024).  
Co-organiser of the SIE (Società Italiana di Economia) conference (Gran Sasso Science Institute, 2023)

**Teaching**

A.Y. 2024/2025	Lecturer - Regional Economics and Sustainable Development (MA Level; University of L’Aquila)
A.Y. 2023/2024; 2024/2025	Guest lecture - Doing Research in Economic Geography Course: Economic Geography I (PhD level; Convenor: Andrea Ascani) - Gran Sasso Science Institute

**Awards and Scholarships**

2018	Award for students having obtained the best global results throughout their studies (University of Trento, Italy)
A.Y. 2017/2018;2018/2019	Income and Merit based scholarship (University of Bologna, Italy)
A.Y. 2016/2017	Income and Merit based scholarship (University of Trento, Italy)

**Other job experiences**

Spring 2019	Data analyst Intern Market Intelligence division, Nomisma SPA (Bologna, IT)
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**Other**

*Skills:* Stata (Advanced), R (Advanced), LaTeX (Advanced), Python (Basic)  
*Languages:* Italian (native), English (fluent), French (basic)