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Academic Positions

Bocconi University Assistant professor *from* September 2020
Department of Social and Political Sciences

Education

University of Oxford. Doctor of Philosophy (D.Phil), Sociology 2021
Bocconi University. Master of Science (MSc.), Economics and Social Sciences (*cum laude*) 2013
University of Bologna. Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Political Science (*cum laude*) 2010

Visiting Positions

Harvard University. Institute for Quantitative Social Science *Fall Term* 2018
London School of Economics and Political Science. CPNSS *Summer Term* 2010
Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris. Exchange *A.Y.* 2010

Research Interests

Social and political attitudes; Demography; Structural social change; Research methods for the digital society

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- 2024 Aassve, A., Capezzone, T., **Cavalli, N.**, Conzo, P., and Peng, C., Social and political trust diverge during a crisis. *Scientific Reports* 13(1): 331.
- 2023 Aassve, A., **Cavalli, N.**, Mencarini, L., Plach, S., and Sanders, S., COVID-19 Policy Interventions and Fertility Dynamics in the Context of Pre-Pandemic Welfare Support. *Population and Development Review* 0(0):1-31.
- 2022 Jahani, E., Gallagher, N., Merhout, F., **Cavalli, N.**, Guilbeault, D., Leng, Y. and Bail, C.A., An Online experiment during the 2020 US-Iran crisis shows that exposure to common enemies can increase political polarization. *Scientific Reports* 12(1): 1-8.
- 2022 Agosti, F., Toffolutti, V., **Cavalli, N.**, Nivakoski, S., Mascherini, M., Aassve, A., Information and vaccine hesitancy: Evidence from the early stage of the vaccine roll-out in 28 European countries. *PloS one* 17(9): e0273555.
- 2022 Hervy, C., **Cavalli, N.**, Madia, J.E., Nicodemo, C., Diverging mental health after Brexit: Evidence from a longitudinal survey. *Social Science & Medicine* 302: 11493.
- 2021 Aassve, A., **Cavalli, N.**, Mencarini, L., Plach, S., and Sanders, S., Early assessment on the impact of COVID-19 on births in high-income countries. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science*. 118(36): e2105709118.

- 2020 Aassve, A., **Cavalli, N.**, Mencarini, L., Plach, S., and Livi Bacci, M., The COVID-19 pandemic and human fertility. *Science* 369(6502): 370-371.
- 2020 Kirk, D.S., **Cavalli, N.**, and Brazil, N., The implications of ridehailing for risky driving and road accident injuries and fatalities. *Social Science & Medicine* 250: 112793.
- 2020 Alachevic, C., **Cavalli, N.**, Giuntella, O., Lagravinese, R., Moscone, F., and Nicodemo, C., The presence of care homes and excess deaths during the COVID-19 pandemic: Evidence from Italy. *Health Economics* 30(7): 1703-1710.
- 2020 Nicodemo, C., Barzin, S., **Cavalli, N.**, Lasserson, D., Moscone, F., Redding, S., and Shaikh, M., Measuring geographical disparities in England at the time of COVID-19: results using a composite indicator of population vulnerability. *BMJ Open* 10(9): e039749.
- 2020 **Cavalli, N.**, Future orientation and fertility: cross-national evidence using Google search. *Vienna Yearbook of Population Research* 18: 1-26.
- 2019 Fantacci, L., **Cavalli, N.**, Production and Extraction of Value in the Global Economy: Defining Rent to Address Inequality. *Polis* 33(3): 453-468.

Teaching Experience

Foundations of Social Science - Empirical research methods and big data (MSc)	2023-
Department of Economics, Bocconi University	
Computational Social Science (PhD)	2020-
Course Director	
Department of Social and Political Sciences, Bocconi University	
<i>First graduate course in Computational Social Science established in an Italian PhD programme</i>	
Applications for Economics and Management (BA)	2020-
Lecturer	
Department of Management	
Bocconi University	
Sociology (PhD)	2020-2021
Course Director	
Department of Social and Political Science	
Bocconi University	
<i>First graduate course in Sociology established at Bocconi University</i>	
Sociological Theory (MSc)	2019-2020
Tutor	
Mansfield College, University of Oxford	
Statistics (BA)	2019-2020
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Mansfield College, University of Oxford	
Statistics for the Human Sciences (BA)	2018-2019
Tutor	
Keble College and Mansfield College, University of Oxford	

History, Institutions and Crises of the Global Financial System (MSc)	2015-2016
Teaching Assistant Department of Economics, Bocconi University	
Political Economy (MSc)	2014-2015
Teaching Assistant Department of Statistics, Sapienza University of Rome	

Grants

2023-2026	'The Perpetual Refugee Crisis - Humanitarian Emergencies, Prejudice and Social Capital among Host Communities	€295,824
	Funded by Next Generation EU; PRIN-PNRR 2022 with University of Torino and Collegio Carlo Alberto (prof. Camilla Borgna) Principal Investigator	
2023-2026	Hopes for the Transition To Parenthood: Portraying Aspirations, Resilience and the Transitions of Young Italians	€192,565
	Funded by Fondazione Cariplo Principal Investigator	
2021-2025	European Polarization Observatory - 3	€76,935
	Funded by CIVICA- Consortium of European Universities Collaborative project with SciencesPo (PI), LSE, Hertie School, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, CEU (Funded by CIVICA)	
2018	Research grant: Reducing belief polarization through exposure to outgroups with N. Gallagher, D. Guillebault, E. Jahani, E. Labzina, and Y. Leng	\$7,899
	Russell Sage Foundation	
2014	Research grant: Keynes as an investor in the commodities' derivative markets	€19,367
	Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Statistical Science	

Scholarships and awards

2021	Research excellence Award, Bocconi University	
2019	Nuffield College Travel Award	£1,000
	Nuffield College, University of Oxford	
2018	Overseas Institutional Visit Award	£1,700
	ESRC Grand Union Doctoral Training Partnership	
2017	Nuffield College Travel Award	£800
	Nuffield College, University of Oxford	
2016	Training Support Grant	£900
	ESRC Oxford Doctoral Training Centre	
2016	Nuffield College Travel Award	£400
	Nuffield College, University of Oxford	

2015 Advanced Quantitative Methods Scholarship (3 years) Economic and Social Research Council and Nuffield College	£51,171
2015 Nuffield College Travel Award Nuffield College, University of Oxford	£350

Professional Service

Professional Membership

American Sociological Association, European Consortium for Sociological Research, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Population Association of America, European Association for Population Studies, Associazione Italiana per gli Studi di Popolazione.

Institutional Service

Bocconi University - Digital Transformation Committee Member	2023-
Bocconi Department of Social and Political Sciences- Seminar Committee Member	2022-2023
CIVICA Data Science Working Group- Seminar Committee Member	2021-2023
Nuffield College Governing Body member (JCR Representative)	2018-2019
Nuffield College Charity Committee member (JCR Representative)	2016-2017
ESRC Oxford Doctoral Training Centre Pathway Representative for Sociology	2016-2019

Reviewer

European Sociological Review, Population Studies, Health Policy, Demographic Research, Scientific Reports, IC2S2, Population and Development Review, BMJ.

Conferences

Organiser of the First European Polarization Conference. Funded by CIVICA European Polarization Working Group (February 2023)

Organiser of the seminar series *Experts and politics: lessons from Italy*, held at Nuffield College between January 31st and February 28th, 2020. Funded by the Group Chair Committee of Nuffield College (£2,778).

Organiser of the Summer Institute in Computational Social Science in Oxford (July 2019); with T.W. Brown and R. Kashyap. Funded by Russel Sage Foundation, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, Van Houten Fund, Nuffield College Academic Fund, Social Science Division Teaching Development Enhancement Project Award (£34,306)

Conferences and Invited Presentations

2024

Demografia e aziende - Presentazione del rapporto A2A-Bocconi (*April 4*) Milan, Italy

2022

CIVICA Data Science Days (*October 6-7*) Firenze/Fiesole, Italy

Plenary of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences (*April 26-29*) Vatican City, Vatican

CIVICA Research Conference (*September 1-2*) Budapest, Hungary

SICSS Delhi (*June 14*) Online

UK-Italy Symposium, Accademia dei Lincei and British Academy (*January 18-28*) Online

2020

European Population Conference (<i>June 24-27</i>)	Padua, Italy
European University Institute Migration Working Group Seminar Series (<i>April 28</i>)	Fiesole, Italy
Population Association of America Annual Meeting (<i>April 22-25</i>)	Washington, USA
Center for Research in Economics and Statistics Seminar Series (<i>March 20</i>)	Paris, France
Home Office Centre of Excellence Seminar Series (<i>March 9</i>)	London, UK
AlpPop Conference	La Thuile, Italy

2019

Population Days 2019	Milan, Italy
4th International ESS Conference	Mannheim, Germany
University of Southampton Center for Population Change Seminar Series	Southampton, UK

2018

European Consortium for Sociological Research Conference	Paris, France
European Population Conference	Brussels, Belgium
Population Association of America Annual Meeting	Denver, USA

2017

IUSSP International Population Conference	Cape Town, South Africa
Population Association of America Annual Meeting	Chicago, USA
European Consortium for Sociological Research Conference	Milan, Italy
Population Days 2017	Florence, Italy
University of Gronigen Faculty of Spatial Science Seminar Series	Groningen, the Netherlands

2016

International Conference on Web and Social Media	Cologne, Germany
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2014

American Sociological Association Meeting	San Francisco, USA
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2012

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Technical Skills

Software	STATA, R, Python, Matlab, MS Office, L ^A T _E X
Language	Italian, English, French, Spanish

Media Engagement

2013-2014	Staff editor and writer at Pagina99
Collaborations	Writer for Internazionale; Linkiesta.it; VICE Italy
Radio and Television	Appearances at Radio 3 RAI (Tutta la citta ne parla); RAI News 24
Public speaking	Vicino/Lontano Festival (2017), Festival di Internazionale (2015)