

# LEONARDO MAZZANTI

"Le bon historien ressemble à l'ogre de la légende. Là où il flaire la chair humaine, il sait que là est son gibier" (Marc Bloch, *Apologie pour l'histoire*)

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## RESEARCH PROFILE & INTERESTS

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PhD student in Ancient Philosophy at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (MusaPh). My dissertation investigates Diodorus Cronus' physics and metaphysics. My main interests include ancient logic (esp. paradoxes), ancient physics, mathematical logic, and the reception of ancient thought in modern analytic philosophy.

## EDUCATION

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| <b>University of Cambridge</b><br>Visiting period under the supervision of Laura M. Castelli.   | May–June 2025 |
| <b>Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (MusaPh)</b><br>PhD student. Supervisor: Christof Rapp. Dissertation on Diodorus Cronus' physics.   | 2023–present  |
| <b>University of Bologna</b><br>MA <i>summa cum laude</i> in Philosophical Sciences. Thesis: <i>A Partless Movement. Translation and Commentary on the Testimonies about Diodorus Cronus' Physics</i> . Supervisors: Walter Cavini, Carlotta Capuccino. | 2020–2022     |
| <b>University of Bologna</b><br>Acquisition of 24 ECTS in educational sciences and didactics.   | 2020–2021     |
| <b>University of Bologna</b><br>BA <i>cum laude</i> in Philosophy. Thesis: <i>Implicazione e connessività. Un calcolo di sequenti per PrC e una indagine su Aristotele connessivo</i> . Supervisors: Guido Gherardi, Eugenio Orlandelli.                | 2017–2020     |
| <b>Classical High School "Giacomo Leopardi", Recanati</b><br>Final grade: 100/100.  | 2012–2017     |

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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| <b>University of Bologna</b><br>Subject Expert ( <i>Culture della materia</i> ) in Ancient Philosophy (M-FIL/07).  | June 2025 – present |
| <b>Ancient Philosophy Today, University of Bologna</b><br>Member of the <i>juniores</i> committee of <i>Ancient Philosophy Today</i> , the University's research group in ancient philosophy, under the direction of Prof. Carlotta Capuccino. | 2020–2022           |

## PUBLICATIONS

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- **Mazzanti, Leonardo**, Stoic Analysis and the Synthetic Principle, *Philosophie Antique* 25, 2025, pp. 177-208. DOI: 10.4000/15coc
- **Mazzanti, Leonardo**, *P.Mich. inv. 2906* (Greek text, Italian translation and commentary), in M. S. Funghi, *CORPUS DEI PAPIRI FILOSOFICI GRECI E LATINI. Testi e lessico nei papiri di cultura greca e latina. Parte II: Frammenti Adespoti e sentenze, vol. 1\*\*\*: Frammenti Adespoti*, Florence: Leo Olschki, 2023, pp. 94-111.

## TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

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| <b>Images of Historical Times Conference, Bologna</b><br>Talk entitled: "Providence and the Theology of Time: Chrysippus' Vision of Cosmic History", Panel 14 — Time and History in Ancient Philosophy 2 / Hellenistic Period; University of Bologna. | October 27, 2025   |
| <b>University of Bologna</b><br>Talk entitled: "L'Argomento del Mietitore: storia e interpretazione" (with Riccardo Zanichelli), seminar series <i>DAReLOGICA</i> (prof. Guido Gherardi).   | September 25, 2025 |
| <b>Eleatica XIV, Ascea</b><br>Talk entitled: "Diodoro e Stilpone: enigma megarici e strategie dossografiche in Diogene Laerzio", <i>Eleatica XIV – Filosofi antichi tra biografie e correnti</i> .  | September 15, 2025 |
| <b>University of Wrocław</b>  | July 10, 2025      |

Talk entitled: "What Worried Epicurus? Epicurus, Dummett, and the Principle of Bivalence", *17th Congress of the Fédération internationale des associations d'études classiques (FIEC 2025)*, Panel: *Perspectives on Truth in Hellenistic Philosophy: Epistemology, Logic, and Semantics*.

**Ruhr University Bochum**

June 28, 2025

Talk entitled: "Diodorus Cronus and the First Atomistic Conception of Space in Ancient Philosophy", Workshop: *Spatial Notions in Antiquity* (prof. Barbara M. Sattler).

**University of Bologna**

May 8, 2025

"Crono è sapiente. Possibilità, necessità e determinismo in Diodoro Crono", invited lecture in the MA course on Ancient Philosophy (prof. Carlotta Capuccino).

**German Graduate Workshop in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Munich**

May 2–4, 2025

Talk entitled: "Yet Another Note on Zeno's Arrow".

**V International Congress in Greek Philosophy, Coimbra**

June 27–29, 2024

Talk entitled "Halfway between an ὑπογραφή and an ἐπωδή: Epictetus and Logic as an *Exercice Spirituel*".

**University of Bologna**

October 23, 2020

"Diodoro Crono e l'argomento dominatore", invited seminar in the Ancient Philosophy MA course (Walter Cavini).

**Lugano Undergraduate Philosophy Conference**

March 2020

Accepted talk (cancelled due to COVID-19): "Piety requires us to honor truth above Deflationism", with Guido Boccali.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Greek Reading Seminar, University of Bologna**

2020–2024

Tutor for student reading groups on:

- Aristotle, *De Interpretatione* 9
- Sextus Empiricus, *Against the Physicists* II
- Plato, *Parmenides*
- Aristotle, *Physics* IV

**Ancient Philosophy Exam Preparation, University of Bologna**

2020–2023

Tutor for student sessions on:

- Explanation and discussion of course materials for the Ancient Philosophy exam
- Guidance on how to write the final term paper (structure, style, argumentation)
- Focus on core topics such as Plato, Aristotle, and Presocratic philosophy

ADVANCED TRAINING

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**UCL Summer School in Homer, University College London**

2025

Attended the Summer School in Homer with a focus on Homeric Papyri. The course explored textual transmission, paleography, and interpretation of Homeric texts based on papyrological evidence.

**AILA/SILFS Summer School, University of Milan**

2022–2024

Attended three summer schools on logic. Topics included: Categorical Logic, Set Theory, Algebraic Logic, Model Theory, Finite Model Theory.

**EXEDRA Summer School, University of Turin**

2021–2023

Attended three editions of the summer school on Plato. Topics: *Timaeus*, *Phaedrus*, *Meno*.

**Cattolica University of Milan**

2020

International Summer School of Dante Studies (XIV edition).

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

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**CCA 2020, Bologna**

September 9–11, 2020

Member of the Organizing Committee of the *Seventeenth International Conference on Computability and Complexity in Analysis* (University of Bologna).

SERVICE & OUTREACH

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**Cassero LGBT+ Center, Bologna**

2021–2022

Editor of the LGBT+ journal *LaFalla*.

**Dalla Ridda, Bologna**

2021–present

Member of the research group Dalla Ridda. Co-organized the seminar cycle *Latenze*.

**Nodi Piani, Bologna**

2021–2022

Founding member and coordinator of *Nodi Piani*. Organized *VOL 1.: Tecnologia, addomesticamento e transcorporeità*.

LANGUAGES

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- Ancient: Greek, Latin.
- Modern: Italian (native), English (C1), German (beginner), Arabic (beginner).

COMPUTER SKILLS

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- L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Microsoft Office.
- Everyday use of Internet and Social Media.

BROADER INTERESTS

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- Historical method, Analytic metaphysics, Marxian Economics, Dante's poetry, Feminist and Queer studies.

Bologna, December 31, 2025

