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Research Areas

Social Philosophy of Language; Social Epistemology; Feminist Philosophy; Health Communication.

Research Interests

Epistemic Injustice, Discursive Injustice, Emotional Injustice, Microaggressions, Obstetric Violence, Gender Studies, Communication in healthcare

Education

Nov 2023 -Present

PhD Candidate, Philosophy of Language and Epistemology

Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan, Italy

Thesis Title: *Public policies and institutional strategies to identify and contrast misogyny: the role of communication in obstetric and gynaecological setting (Politiche pubbliche e strategie istituzionali di identificazione e contrasto della misoginia: il ruolo della comunicazione in ambito ostetrico-ginecologico)*

Supervisor: Claudia Giovanna Daniela Bianchi

Cosupervisor: Mara Floris

Oct 2021 – Jul 2023

MA in Philosophy of the Contemporary World (Laurea Magistrale)

Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan, Italy

Thesis Title: *Pathologizing the Pregnancy: from Epistemic Injustice to Obstetric Violence (Patologizzare la gravidanza: dall'ingiustizia epistemica alla violenza ostetrica)*

Supervisor: Claudia Giovanna Daniela Bianchi

Cosupervisor: Laura Caponetto

Sep 2018 – Jul 2021

MB in Philosophy (Laurea Triennale)

University of Turin, Turin, Italy

Thesis Title: *Moral issues in the case of post-mortem pregnancy (Le questioni morali che insorgono nelle gravidanze post mortem)*

Supervisor: Maurizio Mori

Visiting position

Oct 2025 – Mar 2026

PhD Visiting Student
Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal
Supervisor: Maria Grazia Rossi

Training and Specialisation Schools

(Selected)

2026

(7) EPIC Summer School (Bertinoro, Italy) | Organised by EPIC

2025

(6) Advanced Training Course (Corso di Perfezionamento) in *Gender and Health* (Pisa, Italy) | Organised by the Committee for Equal Opportunities (CUG) of the University of Pisa

2024

(5) *Summer School Maternità e Medical Humanities* (Bellinzona, Switzerland) | Organised by Fondazione Sasso Corbaro.

(4) SIFA *Early Career Development Workshop* (Bologna, Italy) | Organised by SIFA.

(3) Training: Associazione ConTatto - Laboratorio Ostetrico (Torino) for qualitative research.

2023

(2) Training: InFoMed Srl (Milano) for the development and organisation of training and educational projects for health professionals.

2020

(1) Training: Lexis Compagnia Editoriale in Torino (Torino) for the management of digital archives of the “Rivista di Estetica”

Papers

(4) Floris M., Ganz C. & Grisorio A. (2026) “Epistemic and affective harms in Endometriosis diagnosis” in *Philosophical Psychology*, 1–24. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09515089.2026.2632370>

(3) Paciscopi N., Ganz C. & Floris M. (2025) “Pathologising pregnancy. The consequences of medicalisation and the call for a balanced approach to perinatal care” in *Mefisto*, 9(1): 117 – 144 (Fascia A) <https://doi.org/10.4454/mefisto.9-1.1426>

(2) Consolandi M., Floris M., Ganz C., Paciscopi N. (2025) “The TouCAN Codebook: Detecting textual misunderstanding in doctor-patient communication with the philosophy of language tools” in *PLOS One*, 20(8): e0328072 (Fascia A) <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0328072>

(1) Ganz C. (2025) “Empowering Women’s Narratives: Unravelling the Dominant Narrative on Pregnancy and Childbirth” in *Rivista di estetica*, n. 88 (1/2025), LXV, pp. 80-96 (Fascia A) <https://doi.org/10.4000/14kb6>

Magazine Articles

(1) Ganz C. & Paciscopi N. (2025) “Violenza perinatale: Il punto di vista delle ostetriche” in *Sentieri nelle Medical Humanities* <https://www.rivista-smh.ch/articolo/violenza-perinatale/>

Talks

2026

(18) [in person] “Obstetric Violence as Discursive Injustice: The Erosion of Epistemic Agency in Perinatal Care”, Workshop “Varieties of silencing”, NOVA University of Lisboa (Portugal).

(17) [online] “Intertwined Injustices: Discursive, Epistemic, and Affective Harms in Clinical Interactions”, Workshop “Trust and the Affective Dimensions of Health and Healthcare”, University of Bristol (England), with Mara Floris, Monica Consolandi and Maria Grazia Rossi.

(16) “Epistemic Injustice in Medicine: The Case of Endometriosis”, Conference “Power and Care: Enactive Approaches and Critical Social Philosophy”, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona (Spain), with Mara Floris and Margherita Grassi

(15) [online] “Pathologising pregnancy. The consequences of medicalisation and the call for a balanced approach to perinatal care”, ‘Pragmatic Turn in the Health and Disease Debate’, With Noemi Paciscopi and Mara Floris

(14) INVITED - [in person] “Discursive Injustice as Interactional Harm: Microaggressions in Pancreatic Cancer Care”, Workshop ‘Discursive Injustice in Healthcare Contexts: Between Microaggressions, Epistemic Injustice, and Silencing’, NOVA University of Lisboa (Portugal), with Mara Floris, Monica Consolandi and Maria Grazia Rossi

(13) INVITED - [in person] “The Psychologisation of Pain as Testimonial Injustice in Endometriosis”, Workshop ‘Discursive Injustice in Healthcare Contexts: Between Microaggressions, Epistemic Injustice, and Silencing’, NOVA University of Lisboa (Portugal), with Mara Floris and Margherita Grassi

2025

(12) [in person] “From Practical Knowledge to Biomedical Authority: A Genealogy of Perinatal Knowledge”, 10th SWIP Ireland Conference “Ways of Knowing: Epistemologies and Pedagogies”, Maynooth University (Ireland) With Noemi Paciscopi and Mara Floris

(11) [in person] “The peculiarities of testimonial injustice in medicine: The case of endometriosis”, International Conference “Medical humanities in dialogue: focusing on the patient” UNED – Madrid (Spain), with Mara Floris & Margherita Grassi.

(10) “The peculiarities of testimonial injustice in medicine: The case of endometriosis” VI SWIP Italia Conference, University of Pavia (Italy), with Mara Floris & Margherita Grassi.

(9) [in person] “Likeability, Silence, and Power: Affective and Epistemic Injustice in Obstetric Care.” Critical Approaches to Like and Dislike in Medicine, Law, and Society, University of Bristol Law School (England), with Noemi Paciscopi & Mara Floris.

(8) [in person] “Interrupted languages: epistemic injustice and narrative crisis in perinatal care”. XXX Società Italiana di Filosofia del Linguaggio Conference, University of Bologna (Italy)

(7) [online] “Informed Consent in Perinatal Care: A Linguistic and Epistemic Analysis”, International Webinar Series on Perinatal Care - NO BUMP NO CARE

(6) [in person] “From Talk to Harm: Analysing Epistemic and Affective Injustice based on Linguistic Evidence in Doctor-Patient Interactions. The HEAL Codebook”, XVI SIFA CONFERENCE “Minds and Worlds”, University of Turin (Italy) with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris and Noemi Paciscopi.

(5) [in person] “Violenza ostetrica e pratiche di cura: un’analisi filosofica del punto di vista delle ostetriche”, Summer School “Maternità e Medical Humanities”, Fondazione Sasso Corbaro, Bellinzona (Switzerland) with Noemi Paciscopi and Mara Floris

(4) [in person] “The TouCAN Codebook. Detecting Textual Misunderstanding in Doctor-Patient Communication”, Language of Medicine: New Challenges in Research, Ethics, and Intercultural Communication, with the Philosophy of Language Tools, University of Rijeka (Croatia), with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris, Noemi Paciscopi.

2024

(3) [in person] “Discriminazioni di genere nella comunicazione durante il parto: la narrazione delle ostetriche”, V Convegno Annuale SWIP Italia, University of Cagliari (Italy), with Noemi Paciscopi.

(2) [in person] “Towards a Taxonomy of Epistemic Injustice: Analysing Conversations Between Physicians and Patients in Healthcare Contexts”, Workshop ‘Epistemic Injustice in Healthcare’, NOVA University of Lisboa (Portugal), with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris, Noemi Paciscopi.

(1) [in person] “Unveiling Testimonial Injustice in Obstetric Care: Insights from Midwives’ Perspectives and Solutions for Dignified Practices”, Workshop ‘Epistemic Injustice in Healthcare’, NOVA University of Lisboa (Portugal), with Noemi Paciscopi.

Outreach activities

2026

(1) “Verso un parto rispettoso: lo sguardo di chi assiste”, Tampon Talks, Festival del Ciclo Mestruale, Milano (Italy), with Mara Floris

Posters Presentation

2025

(4) “The TouCAN Codebook Detecting Textual Misunderstanding in Doctor-Patient Communication with the Philosophy of Language Tools”, 5º Congresso Nacional de Comunicação Clínica em Cuidados de Saúde “Comunicação Clínica na era da Inteligência Artificial”, Faculdade de Medicina da Universidade do Porto (Portugal) with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris e Noemi Paciscopi. Awarded as best poster.

(3) “The TouCAN Codebook Detecting Textual Misunderstanding in Doctor-Patient Communication with the Philosophy of Language Tools” Convegno annuale Network PREMs e PROMs, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna di Pisa (Italy), with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris e Noemi Paciscopi

(2) “Dal discorso al danno: il Codebook HEAL per riconoscere le ingiustizie comunicative nella relazione personale medico-paziente”, Convegno annuale Network PREMs e PROMs, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna di Pisa (Italy), with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris e Noemi Paciscopi

(1) “The TouCAN Codebook Detecting Textual Misunderstanding in Doctor-Patient Communication with the Philosophy of Language Tools”, 11th Experimental Pragmatics Conference, University of Cambridge (England), with Monica Consolandi, Mara Floris e Noemi Paciscopi

Teaching and Tutoring

2026

Guest Lecturer – “Le parole che pesano. Il potere (a volte nascosto) del linguaggio nel giornalismo” (3 hours, MB in Relazioni Pubbliche e Comunicazione delle Organizzazioni) at Istituto Universitario Salesiano Torino Rebaudengo (IUSTO), Turin

2025

Guest Lecturer – “Le parole che pesano. Il potere (a volte nascosto) del linguaggio nel giornalismo” (3 hours, MB in Relazioni Pubbliche e Comunicazione delle Organizzazioni) at Istituto Universitario Salesiano Torino Rebaudengo (IUSTO), Turin

2024

Guest Lecturer - “Understanding Epistemic Injustice: Testimonial and Hermeneutical Inequalities” (2 hours, MA in Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs, Course: Critical Thinking and Argumentation), at University of Milan and Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan

Workshop activity (science-language area) in the context of the Summer School of Philosophy promoted by Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan, Title: “Potere”, (2 hours, Summer School: Philosophy 2024), with Margherita Ghiara, Alba Verrecchia and Eleonora Volta.

Tutor service - First Level Master’s Degree in Science and Health Communication (Master di I livello in Comunicazione della Scienza e della Salute), Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan |Chore activities: Teacher assistance for blended teaching and support for students.

Organisation Of Scientific Meetings

2026	Workshop “Discursive Injustice in Healthcare Contexts: Between Microaggressions, Epistemic Injustice, and Silencing” organised within the Reasoning and Argumentation Lab of the Nova Institute of Philosophy, Nova University of Lisbon (Portugal)
2026	Reading group “Microaggressions and Epistemic Injustice in Healthcare” organised within the Reasoning and Argumentation Lab of the Nova Institute of Philosophy, Nova University of Lisbon, Portugal.
2026	(Chair) Workshop “Dimensions of trust in Science and Scientific Communication” organised within the Reasoning and Argumentation Lab of the Nova Institute of Philosophy, Nova University of Lisbon (Portugal)
2023 – ongoing	Gender Lunch Seminars organised within the Interfaculty Centre for Gender Studies (Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Milano) as Member of the Scientific Committee

Reviewing Activity

Reviewer for:

Patient Education and Counseling.

Collaboration

2025 – ongoing Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Center for Digital Health and Wellbeing, Intelligent Digital Agents, Trento, Italy.