

LAURA DE SANTIS

Curriculum vitae

+1 (805)-259-0740

Email: lauradesantis@umail.ucsb.edu

Area of specialization: Ancient Philosophy

Areas of competence: Feminist Philosophy, Gender Studies, Ethics

EDUCATION

PhD Candidate

University of California, Santa Barbara

Supervisor: Prof. Voula Tsouna

2025-present

MA in History of Ancient Philosophy,

Theoretical Philosophy Curriculum

(with honors)

University of Turin

Dissertation title: “The Female Nature between Plato’s *The Republic* and *Timaeus*: A Precious Resource or a Moral Punishment?”

Supervisor: Prof. Federico Maria Petrucci, Prof. Caterina Pellò

2022-2024

BA in Philosophy

(with honors)

University of Turin

Dissertation title: “The Figure of Diotima in Plato’s *Symposium*: A Woman’s Mask for a Philosophical Theft”

Supervisors: Prof. Federico Maria Petrucci, Prof. Caterina Pellò

2019-2022

High school diploma

Liceo G. P. Vieusseux (IM), Maturità Classica
100/100

NON-DEGREE PROGRAMS

Exedra: Summer School on Plato and Platonism organised by Filosofia Antica a Torino: “Plato’s *Laws X* and its reception”. 2024

LANGUAGES: Ancient Greek; English; French (reading); Italian (native); Latin; Spanish

PAPERS IN PROGRESS

“The *technai*’s opposite result principle. A puzzle in *Republic I*”

“Theaetetus’s well-born wind-eggs. Healthy offspring and wind-eggs in Plato’s *Theaetetus*”

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2025–2030 Chancellor’s Fellowship at the University of California, Santa Barbara. Three years of full support through a competitive fellowship
- April 2026 Herbert Fingarette Graduate Student Research Travel Fund, UC Santa Barbara
- 21-22 March 2024 Bursary from the British Society for the History of Philosophy awarded to attend Workshop “How to excel in life? Theories of living well before Aristotle”, University of Geneva

EXTRACURRICULAR PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

- September 2025-present Graduate students' translation group from ancient Greek, University of California, Santa Barbara
- March 2026- present Reading group on Aristotle’s *Metaphysics Z* organised by Prof. Voula Tsouna, University of California, Santa Barbara
- April 2025- March 2026 Reading group on Aristotle’s *De Anima* organised by Prof. Voula Tsouna, University of California, Santa Barbara
- March 2025-June 2025 Reading group on Jessica Moss (2021) “*Plato’s Epistemology*” organised by Salvador Escalante, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2019-2021 Reading group in Ancient Philosophy, University of Turin, translation from ancient Greek and discussion, organised by Prof. Federico Maria Petrucci

WORKING EXPERIENCE

- January 2024- September 2024 Tutor for students with Specific Learning Disorders (SLD), University of Turin
- September 2023-April 2024 Tutor for international students – Erasmus and Degree Seeking; Project “*Buddy*” – Do you need support To?, University of Turin

REFERENCES**Prof. Voula Tsouna**

(supervisor)
Distinguished Professor
University of California, Santa Barbara
vtsouna@ucsb.edu

Prof. Caterina Pellò

Research Fellow
University of Geneva
caterina.pello@unige.ch

Prof. Federico Maria Petrucci

Professor
Università degli studi di Torino, Turin
federicomaria.petrucci@unito.it