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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social stratification, equality of opportunity, child development, intergenerational transmission of (dis)advantages, life course inequalities.

EDUCATION

Post-doctoral Researcher 2023-

Swiss Centre of Expertise in Life Course Research LIVES, University of Lausanne.
EQUALOPP Project, PI: Michael Grätz

PhD Candidate in Sociology 2020 - 2023

University of Oxford - Nuffield College, Clarendon Scholar
Supervisor: Christiaan Monden

Title: *Uneven Pathways: Three Novel Mechanisms of Intergenerational Transmission of (Dis)Advantages*
Examining Board: Professor Fabrizio Bernardi and Dr. Lindsay Richards.

M.A. in Social Sciences, with Honors 2018-2020

IC3JM, Universidad Carlos III & Juan March Institute, Madrid
Juan March Scholar

Dual B.A. in Sociology and Political Science, with Honors 2013-2018

Universidad Carlos III Madrid, Madrid

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journals

- Garcia-Sierra, A. (2024) Parental Responses to Children's Early Health Disadvantages: Evidence from a British Twin Study. *Forthcoming in European Sociological Review*
- Garcia-Sierra, A. (2024) Learning by Parenting: How do Mothers Respond to Changes in their Children's Developmental Processes? *Social Science Research*.
- Garcia-Sierra, A. (2023) The Dark Side of Meritocratic Beliefs: is Believing in Meritocracy Detrimental to Individuals from Low Socioeconomic Backgrounds? *Social Justice Research*

Under review

- Skills Beget Skills: Addressing the Role of Mothers' Occupation-Specific Skills on Children's Developmental Process. *Under review*
- The intergenerational effect of educational expansion: evidence from a natural experiment in Spain (*with Mar Espadafor*). *Revise & Resubmit*

In progress

- Liberal and Radical Equality of Opportunity (*with Michael Grätz*)
- The Effect of Parental In-Work Poverty on Child Development.
- Unmet Educational Expectations and Meritocratic Beliefs (*with César Fuster Llamazares & Fernando Sánchez Monforte*)

Not peer-reviewed

- *Book chapter*: The intergenerational transmission of skills in Spain. (2023) **Inequality in Spain**, Ed. Lengua de Trapo.

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

European Population Conference	<i>Summer 2024, Edinburgh</i>
Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Conference	<i>Spring 2024, Columbus</i>
ECSR Annual Conference	<i>Fall 2023, Prague</i>
ECSR Spring School Topic: <i>Changing families and Social Inequality Over the Life Course</i> Organized by Collegio Carlos Alberto & NASP.	<i>Spring 2023, Turin</i>
Inter-generational Inequalities and the Contemporary Family Setup Organized by Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences.	<i>Winter 2022, Bremen</i>
ECSR Annual Conference	<i>Summer 2022, Amsterdam</i>
ECSR Workshop on Compensatory Advantage Organized by EUI Comparative Life Course and Inequality Research Centre	<i>Summer 2022, Florence</i>
ISA RC28 Spring Meeting	<i>Spring 2022, London</i>
Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Conference	<i>Spring 2022, Atlanta</i>
Heterogeneous Causal Effects Workshop Organized by GESIS, Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences	<i>Fall 2021, online</i>
ECSR Annual Conference	<i>Fall 2021, online</i>
ISA RC28 Spring Meeting	<i>Spring 2021, Turku</i>
European Sociological Association (ESA) Annual Conference	<i>Fall 2021, Barcelona</i>
European University Institute Summer School Module: <i>Social Stratification</i> . Organized by SPS EUI.	<i>Summer 2019, Florence</i>

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Investigate Change in Time Using R University of Manchester	<i>Spring 2023</i>
Advancing Teaching and Learning (ATL) Course Centre for Teaching and Learning (University of Oxford)	<i>Spring 2023</i>
Causal Inference for Policy Evaluation National Centre for Research Methods (NCRM)	<i>Spring 2023</i>
Weighting and Imputation for Survey Non-response Course Social Research Association	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Causality: Methods of Causal Inference in the Social Sciences (auditor) Department of Sociology, University of Oxford	<i>Spring 2021</i>
Data Visualization Course Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research	<i>Spring 2021</i>

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Research Assistant: Siblings in the UK Project** *Spring 2023*
PI: Richard Breen (Nuffield College)
- Research Assistant: Understanding In-Work Poverty in Europe Project** *Summer 2021*
PI: Emanuela Struffolino & Zachary Van Winkle, Oxford/Berlin Research Partnership
- Research Assistant: EFFORT Project, Advancing Measurement and Understanding of Parental Origin Effects** *Fall/Winter 2020*
PI: Jonas Radl, Funded by the European Research Council (ERC)
- Research Assistant: Policy Diffusion Project** *2015/2016*
PI: Juan J. Fernández, Social Sciences Department (UC3M)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant: Advanced Quantitative Methods (graduate)** *Winter 2023*
Main instructor: Christiaan Monden, University of Oxford, Department of Sociology
- Tutor: Social Policy (undergraduate)** *Fall 2022/ Spring 2023*
Course Convenor: Rossella Ciccia, University of Oxford, Department of Social Policy
- Tutor: Sociological Theory (undergraduate)** *Fall 2022*
Course Convenor: Jonathan Lusthaus, University of Oxford, Department of Sociology
- Teaching Assistant: Statistical Methods (graduate)** *Fall 2021*
Main instructor: Per Block, University of Oxford, Department of Sociology
- Teaching Assistant: Political Actors (undergraduate)** *Fall 2019*
Main instructor: Pedro Riera, UC3M, Department of Social Sciences

AWARDS & GRANTS (SELECTED)

- COORDINATE Transnational Access Visit Grant, University College Dublin (3,000 EUROS) *2023*
- Full DPhil Scholarship: Clarendon Fund and Nuffield College (45,000 GBP & course fees) *2020-2023*
- Nuffield Travel Grant (400 GBP) *January 2023*
- Department of Sociology University of Oxford Travel Grant (300 GBP) *January 2023*
- Santander & University Oxford Bursar Travel Awards (1,200 GBP) *February 2022*
- Full M.A. Scholarship: Juan March Servera Fellowship, IC3JM (30,000 EUROS) *2018-2020*
- Competitive Grant JAE Intro, Spanish National Research Council (CSIC) (declined) *July 2019*
- Dean's Teaching Commendation for Outstanding Teaching, UC3M *February 2019*
- Outstanding Graduate Student Award in Sociology and Political Science, UC3M *November 2018*
- Excellence Award, UC3M Social Council *May 2017*
- Excellence Scholarship for Students in Situations of Hardship, Comunidad de Madrid *2017-2018*
- Competitive Research Grant funded by the Spanish Ministry of Education *2017*

SKILLS

- Software** R (proficient user and instructor), STATA (advanced), Python (basic), LaTeX, Zotero, MS Office
- Languages** Spanish (native), English (proficient), French (basic)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES & MEMBERSHIIPS

Organizer	Child and Adolescent Development Steering Committee (European Association for Population Studies) DemSoc Group (University of Oxford)
Member	ISA RC28, Population Association of America (PAA), European Association for Population Studies (EAPS), EAPS Child and Adolescent Development Working Group, European Sociological Association (ESA), Federación Española de Sociología (FES)
Occasional Reviewer	European Societies, European Sociological Review

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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