

University Academic Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION SINCE LEAVING SCHOOL

2002

Bachelor in Social Work (Laurea in Servizio Sociale)
University of Bologna

2005

Master in Social Work (Laurea Specialistica in Responsabile nella
progettazione e nel coordinamento dei servizi sociali)
University of Bologna

2010

Master in Assessment and intervention in situations of child abuse
and pedophilia (Master Universitario di II livello in La valutazione e
l'intervento in situazioni di abuso all'infanzia e pedofilia)
University of Modena and Reggio Emilia

2015

PhD in General Pedagogy, Social Pedagogy and General
Education- XXVII
Research Project in Social Work
Free University of Bolzano- Bozen

2024

Master in Supervision for social and health services (Master di
primo livello in Supervisione per i Servizi Sociali e Sociosanitari)
University of Piemonte Orientale

PRESENT APPOINTMENT

Since 2021

Academic Tutor in the Bachelor of Social Work parttime- 50%
(posizione di assistente sociale da utilizzare per le attività di tutor
accademico come da delibera del Senato accademico del 28.11.2018,
Nr. 84, articolo 4)
Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt in charge at Free University of
Bolzano- Bozen
Responsibilities:

- Supervision of students internships (advise students, approval
of the individual internship applications, support and
supervision of students during their internship in individual
and/or group setting, evaluation of internship experience and

- assessment of the corresponding documentation);
- Teaching activities in the Bachelor of Social Work: Laboratory of Critical Reflection;
- Development of guidelines, documentation templates and evaluation criteria;
- Collaboration in research-oriented evaluation and further development of training elements in the fields of practice teaching, professional competence development, and reflective professionalisation;
- Planning and organising of training opportunities for tutors and interns;
- Networking and maintaining contacts with the stakeholders;
- Collaboration in the internship committee and participation in the examination committees

Freelancer

Since 2024

Supervisor of Social Services and Lecturer

Professional supervision by professionals in social and health services;
Lecturer and Trainer in the field of social work, particularly on topics related to family social work, systemic social work, professional documentation, and interprofessional collaboration;

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic experience				
From / to	Job title	Name of academic Institution	Academic level	responsibilities
2012-2014	Research Assistant (assegnista di ricerca)	Free University of Bozen- Bolzano	Research Assistant	Collaboration in a research project on Access to Social Services
Non academic professional experience in social work practice				
From / to	Job title	Name of employer	Responsibilities	
10/2020-12/2020	Professional social worker	Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt	Professional Social Worker in a local welfare agency (child and family social work)	
10/2015-9/2020	Professional social worker	Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt	Parental periods (obligatorische Mutterschaft, Freistellung aus Erziehungsgründen, Elternzeit, Wartestand ohne Bezüge für Personal mit Kindern- öffentliche Verwaltung)	
01/2015-09/2015	Professional social worker	Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt	Professional Social Worker in a local welfare agency (child and family social work)	
2/2012-1/ 2015	Professional social worker	Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt	PhD- student at Free University of Bozen- Bolzano (leave of absence for research purposes)	
03/2003-02/2012	Professional social worker	Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt	Professional Social Worker in a local welfare agency (child and family social work)	
11/2002-02/2003	Social care worker	Bezirksgemeinschaft Burggrafenamt	Project collaborations in the fields of social and educational support services	

**EXPERIENCE IN
ACADEMIC
TEACHING**

Academic teaching at the Free University of Bozen- Bolzano during the last 5 years:

AY 2024/2025

Methods of Social Work II (Metodi del Servizio Sociale II), 45 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: Italian;

Methods I- Fields and Organisation of Social Work Practice (Handlungsfelder und Organisation der Sozialarbeit), 30 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: German;

LAB: Reflection of internship- third year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 3. Studienjahr), 35 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of internship- second year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 2. Studienjahr), 35 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of orientation internship- first year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion Orientierungspraktikum- 1. Studienjahr), 20 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

AY 2023/2024

Methods of Social Work II (Metodi del Servizio Sociale II), 45 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: Italian;

Methods I- Fields and Organisation of Social Work Practice (Handlungsfelder und Organisation der Sozialarbeit), 30 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: German;

LAB: Reflection of internship- third year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 3. Studienjahr), 27 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of internship- second year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 2. Studienjahr), 27 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of orientation internship- first year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion Orientierungspraktikum- 1. Studienjahr), 10 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

AY 2022/2023

Methods of Social Work II (Metodi del Servizio Sociale II), 45 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: Italian;

Methods I- Fields and Organisation of Social Work Practice (Handlungsfelder und Organisation der Sozialarbeit), 30 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: German;

LAB: Reflection of internship- third year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 3. Studienjahr), 27 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of internship- second year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 2. Studienjahr), 27 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of orientation internship- first year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion Orientierungspraktikum- 1. Studienjahr), 10 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

AY 2021/2022

Methods of Social Work II (Metodi del Servizio Sociale II), 45 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: Italian;

Methods I- Fields and Organisation of Social Work Practice (Handlungsfelder und Organisation der Sozialarbeit), 30 hours, BA Social Work, teaching language: German;

LAB: Reflection of internship- third year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 3. Studienjahr), 27 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of internship- second year (LAB Praktikumsreflexion- 2. Studienjahr), 27 hours, BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

LAB: Reflection of orientation internship- first year (LAB
Praktikumsreflexion Orientierungspraktikum- 1. Studienjahr), 10 hours,
BA Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

AY 2020/2021

Methods of Social Work II (Metodi del Servizio Sociale II), 45 hours,
BA Social Work, teaching language: Italian;

AY 2019/2020

Methods I- Fields and Organisation of Social Work Practice
(Handlungsfelder und Organisation der Sozialarbeit), 30 hours, BA
Social Work, teaching language: German;

Scientific and Professional Writing (Scrittura Scientifica e
Professionale- Wissenschaftliches und Professionelles Schreiben), 25
hours, MA IRIS Social Work, teaching languages: German and Italian;

OTHER ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Member of the Practice Placement Commission for the BA
program in Social Work at the Faculty of Education of the Free
University of Bozen/Bolzano (from September 2012 to September 2015
and from 2021 since now);

Collaboration in the planning, organisation and realisation of
excursions for BA Social Work students (Wien, 2022, Torino, 2024,
München, 2025);

Collaboration in the TEMPUS project TACHYwe (Transnational
Academic Careers in Child and Youth Welfare) (2013/2014);

Internship coordinator for the Master's Degree IRIS in 'Innovation
and Research for Social, Welfare and Educational Interventions' at the
Free University of Bozen- Bolzano (2013/2014)

MEMBERSHIPS

Registered in the professional register of qualified social workers
of the Region Trentino- Südtirol (section A) (n. 99) since 2003;

Board member of the Professional Social Work Order of the
Region Trentino- Südtirol (Consiglio Regionale dell'Ordine degli
Assistenti Sociali della Regione Trentino- Alto Adige) from 2006 to
2009;

Member of the Training Commission of the Professional Social
Work Order of the Region Trentino- Südtirol (Membro della
Commissione Formazione presso il Consiglio Regionale dell'Ordine
degli Assistenti Sociali della Regione Trentino- Alto Adige) from 2007 to
2009;

PUBLICATIONS

Book chapters

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Berger, E. (2016) 'Costruzione di percorsi di cronicità nei servizi sociali? Costi sociali, sfide e possibilità' in Gandolfi, M., Martinelli F. (a cura di) (2016) Global Health e connessionismo nel lavoro sociale e sanitario. Esperienze professionali di e con persone diversamente utili, Ilmiolibro, Bolzano.

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Berger, E. (2015) 'Interprofessionalità: sfide e prospettive nella collaborazione tra servizi' in Fargion, S., Frei, S., Lorenz, W. (a cura di) (2015) L'intervento sociale tra gestione del rischio e partecipazione,

Carocci, Roma.

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Berger, E., Atz, D., (2015) 'Tutela e promozione negli interventi con minori e famiglie: la sfida della partecipazione in contesti di valutazione del rischio ' in Fargion, S., Frei, S., Lorenz, W. (a cura di) (2015) *L'intervento sociale tra gestione del rischio e partecipazione*, Carocci, Roma.

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Articles in international academic journals

Lorenz, W. A., Fargion, S. N., Nothdurfter, U., Nagy, A., Berger, E., Rainer, S., Frei, S. (2020) Negotiating Quality for Social Work: A Participatory Research Project in South Tyrol. *Research on Social Work Practice*, Vol.30 (5); 505-514.

<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/1049731519897309>

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Fargion S., Nagy A., Berger E. (2018) Access to social services as a rite of integration: Power, rights, and identity. *Social Policy & Administration* 2018; 1–14. <https://doi.org/10.1111/spol.12447>

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PhD thesis

Berger, E. (2015) *Promozione di autonomia o costruzione di cronicità negli interventi sociali? Spazi di discrezionalità professionale in contesti restrittivi* (Supervisors: Prof.ssa Silvia Fargion, Prof. Walter Lorenz, Prof.ssa Susanne Elsen)

**LANGUAGE
COMPETENCE**

GERMAN (first language)
ITALIAN (second language, CEFR C1 certificate)
ENGLISH (intermediate, Cambridge First Certificate, CEFR B2)

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