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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Migration and second generations
- Gender and family studies
- Intergenerational relations
- Social inclusion
- Qualitative and ethnographic research

LANGUAGES

- Italian Native
- English Advanced
- French Intermediate
- Spanish Intermediate

RESEARCH METHODS & TECHNICAL SKILLS

Research methods

- Qualitative and ethnographic research
- In-depth and semi-structured interviews
- Fieldwork
- Territorial mapping
- Qualitative data analysis

Software

- ATLAS.ti
- Microsoft Office
- Canva

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Au pair, Ireland (2019–2020)
- Volunteer, Festival dell'Antropologia, Bologna (2022–2024)
- Participant, "Visioni in transito" workshop on migration and LGBTQIA+ cinema (2024–2026)

RESEARCH PROFILE

PhD Candidate in Sociology and Social Research with a background in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology. Her research interests lie at the intersection of migration, gender, family and parenthood, with a particular focus on second-generation women and families with a migratory background. Her research experience includes qualitative and ethnographic approaches, in-depth interviews, fieldwork and qualitative data analysis.

CURRENT RESEARCH

PhD Candidate in Sociology and Methodology of Social Research (SOMET) | University of Turin
2026 – present

- PhD research project: "Becoming mothers across generations: negotiating care, family and parenthood among women raised in migrant families."

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Fellow | Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento
Sep 2024 – Aug 2025

PRIN 2022 project: "Children of Immigrants Have Grown Up: Transition to Adulthood for Youth with a Migratory Background."

- Conducted in-depth interviews and contributed to fieldwork, territorial mapping and qualitative data analysis.
- Contributed to scientific outputs on partner choice, romantic relationships, marriage and family imaginaries among youth with a migratory background.

Research Collaboration | Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento
Dec 2025

- Contributed to the research activities and scientific production of the research group.

PUBLICATIONS

Manuscripts under review

- Favale, A., Sciortino, G., & Cvajner, M. (2026). "Tra due mondi. La scelta del partner tra giovani musulmani di seconda generazione in Trentino."
- Favale, A., Sciortino, G., Cvajner, M., & Vitali, A. (2026). "Love, Partner Choice, and Marriage among Second-Generation Youth in Italy."

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- MoMI Annual Meeting 2024 – Demography and Migration | Naples, Italy · 10 Dec 2024
"Children of Immigrants Have Grown Up: Preliminary Findings"
- 11th International Conference on Social Science Methodology – RC33 | Naples, Italy · 22–25 Sep 2025
"Marital and Reproductive Perspectives among Children of Immigrants: A Pilot Study"
- Fare Ricerca Sociologica sulle Famiglie. Sfide e Prospettive | Turin, Italy · 11–12 Dec 2025
"Progettare la propria famiglia. Immaginari affettivi e genitoriali tra giovani figli/e di migranti"

EDUCATION

Master's Degree in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology | University of Bologna
2020 – 2023

- 110/110 cum laude
- Thesis (Anthropology of Migration Processes): "Madri e migranti: ripensare la genitorialità, la famiglia e i ruoli di genere nel paese straniero."

Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy | University of Bologna
2016 – 2019

- Thesis (Contemporary History): "Frantz Fanon: verso l'universale."

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

Training Programme for Anti-Violence Social Workers | EA Ente di Formazione
2024

- Classroom-based training and practical project. Developed and presented a project focused on supporting migrant women in pathways out of gender-based violence and on collective self-awareness practices.

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Youth educator – tutor cultural exchange | Volunteer in the World 2024 – 2026

Social and Cultural Worker | Pace Adesso / Peace Now ODV, Bologna 2023 – 2024

- Educational support, Italian L2 activities and socio-educational work with kids with a migratory background.
- Information, orientation and support services for immigrants.
- Workshops on gender, migration and anti-discrimination in high schools.

Social Support Worker – Internship | Arca di Noè Cooperativa Sociale 2022

- Supported pathways towards autonomy and parenting among migrant and refugee families in reception facilities.

Italian L2 Teacher – Internship | Associazione Interculturale Universo 2018 – 2019