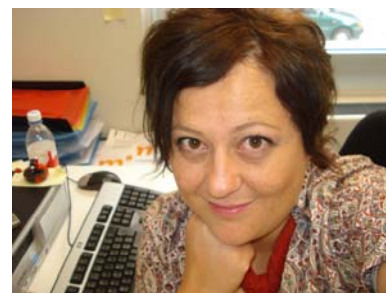


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CURRENT POSITION

Since May 2011 *Recipient of an Ambizione grant from the Swiss National Science Foundation.* Department of Sociology, University of Geneva. Management of own research project on trajectories and lifestyles of genetic cancer risk

Lecturer. Faculty of Communication Sciences, University of Lugano. Teaching in the field of qualitative research methods

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

PhD (1999-2004) *University of Fribourg (CH).* PhD in Social Sciences. Thesis under the supervision of Prof. Marc-Henry Soulet. Title: "S'en sortir, le faire et le dire. Retour à la conventionalité après une pratique toxicodépendante à l'époque de la réduction des risques". Mark : Summa cum laude, best PhD thesis award 2004 of the Faculty of Arts, University of Fribourg (Prix Vigener).

Licence (1988-94) *University of Fribourg.* Licence (equivalent to bachelor + master) in Social Work and Social Policies. Thesis title: "La toxicodépendance d'intégration. Analyse des formes de gestion des toxicomanies tempérées". Mark : Summa cum laude.

PAST ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2005-2011 *Senior Researcher and Lecturer.* Institute of Communication and Health, University of Lugano

2006 *Lecturer* (5 months). Chair of Social Work and Social Policies, University of Fribourg

2004-2006 *Post-doctoral assistant.* Chair of Social Work and Social Policies, University of Fribourg

1995-2004 *Qualified assistant.* Chair of Social Work and Social Policies, University of Fribourg

2000-2001 *Visiting scholar* (6 months). Laboratoire de recherche "Psychotropes, Politique, Société" (supervised by Sociologist Alain Ehrenberg), Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS) Paris

2000 *Visiting scholar* (6 months). Department of Social Science and Medicine (supervised by Professor Gerry Stimson), Imperial College of London

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Bachelor level *Metodi qualitativi (2010-2012, 28 hours/year):* Bachelor in Communication, University of Lugano
Théories des problèmes sociaux (2003-2006, 28 h/y) ; Initiation au travail académique (2003-2004, 8 h/y) ; Théories du social (1995-2002, 28 h/y) ; Analyse d'un problème social: le cas de la toxicomanie (1995-2000, 28 h/y) : Bachelor in Social work and social policies, University of Fribourg

Master level *Metodologie qualitative : costruzione e analisi dei dati (2007-2012, 28 h/y) :* Master in Public Management and Policy, University of Lugano
Metodi e strumenti di ricerca applicata (2010, 2012, 16 h/y); Coaching di ricerca (2011, 28 h/y): Master in Business Administration, SUPSI-Scuola Universitaria Professionale Svizzera Italiana
Recherche qualitative en éducation (2012, 8 h/y) : Master in Advanced Studies in Théories, pratiques et dispositifs de formation d'enseignants, University of Geneva
Recherche qualitative et communication interculturelle (2009, 2011, 4 h/y) : Master in Advanced Studies in Intercultural Communication, University of Lugano
Qualitative Research Methods in Health Communication (2009-2010, 28 h/y) : Master in Communication, Management and Health, University of Lugano
Comprendere i problemi, identificare soluzioni. La ricerca qualitativa in educazione (2007-2009, 4 h/y) : Master in Advanced Studies in Gestione della Formazione, University of Lugano
Methodology of Research in Intercultural Communication (2009, 12 h/y) : Master Eurocampus, University of Lugano
Atelier de recherche qualitative et quantitative (2004-2006, 28 h/y) ; Méthodologie générale et épistémologie (2003-2004, 28 h/y): Master in Social work and social policies, University of Fribourg

Doctoral level *Introduction to qualitative research (2012, 4 h/y)*: Doctoral school CROSS-FIELD, University of Lugano
Raccolta e analisi di dati qualitativi (2007, 28 h/y): Faculty of Communication Sciences, University of Lugano)

FUNDED RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Caught between health and illness. An analysis of trajectories and lifestyles of genetic cancer risk. Project funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. Principal Investigator (PI): Maria Caiata Zufferey (May 2011 – Avril 2014).

Convivere con una malattia cronica e genetica: il caso della Sindrome di Gitelman (MACROGEN). Project funded by the Ente Ospedaliero Cantonale of Canton Ticino (CH). PI: Mario Bianchetti (Oct 2009 – Sept 2010).

Valorizzazione del lavoro dei medici assistenti. Logiche d'azione e di giudizio a confronto (VALMEDAS). Project funded by the Ospedale Beata Vergine of Mendrisio (CH). PI: Peter J. Schulz (March 2009 – July 2009).

Doctor-patient relationship in the information age (PANDORA). Project funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. PI: Peter J. Schulz (Oct 2005 – Sept 2008).

Using On-Line Strategies to Enhance Information and Social Support for Self-Management of Chronic Low Back Pain (ONESELF). Project funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. PI: Peter. J. Schulz (June 2004 – Oct 2008).

S'en sortir : le faire et le dire. Retours à la conventionalité après une pratique toxicodépendante à l'époque de la réduction des risques. Project funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. PI : Marc-Henry Soulet (Avr 2002 – July 2003).

Maîtriser la toxicodépendance ? Analyse comparative de deux formes de gestion. Potentialités, limites, réponses institutionnelles. Project funded by the Federal Office of Public Health. PI: Marc-Henry Soulet (March 1997- Feb 1999).

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian (mothertongue); French (proficient); English (advanced); German (fair)

DISTINCTIONS

- Presentation evaluated very high at the congress *International Conference of Communication in Healthcare (AACH)*, Chicago (2011).
- Paper selected as a one of six finalists for the 2011 Diana Forsythe Award, sponsored by the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) People and Organizational issues Working Group (2011).
- Best poster award of the congress *Get Together* of the Swiss Association for the Study of Pain, Basel (2010).
- Best PhD thesis award (Prix Vigener) of the Faculty of Arts, University of Fribourg (2004).

GRANTS

- Research grant *Ambizione* by the Swiss National Science Foundation. Project Title: Caught between health and illness. An analysis of trajectories and lifestyles of genetic cancer risk (2011-2014).
- Several grants by the Swiss Academy for Human and Social Sciences for participation to international conferences (2004-2010).
- Research grant by the Gender Service of the Università della Svizzera italiana (January 2009).
- Publication grant by the Swiss National Science Foundation for PhD thesis (2005).
- Fellowship for Prospective Researchers by the Swiss National Science Foundation. Project Title : Les sorties de la toxicomanie (1.3.2000 – 28.2.2001).

OTHER

- Member of the Review Board for the book « Bien démarrer sa thèse. Guide pour doctorant-e-s », a project of the mentoring program at the universities of French and Italian-speaking Switzerland (published in 2011).
- Delegate for FORS (Swiss Foundation for Research in Social Sciences) at the Università della Svizzera italiana (2009 -2011).
- Reviewer for the journals *Qualitative Health Research* (since 2009) and *Patient Education and Counseling* (since 2008). Reviewer for the FNSRS (Swiss National Foundation for Scientific Research).
- Member of the AISLF (Association Internationale de Sociologues de Langue Française) (since 2005), of the EACH (European Association for Communication in Healthcare) (since 2008), of the ARQ (Association pour la Recherche Qualitative) (since 2009), of the ESA (European Sociological Association) (since 2011), and of the American Academy on Communication in Healthcare (since 2011).