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Leo Azzollini is a Postdoctoral Research Officer at the University of Oxford, jointly between the ERC Synergy Project DINA at the Institute for New Economic Thinking and the Department of Social Policy and Intervention. He is also a Non-Stipendiary Research Fellow in Sociology at Nuffield College. His research interests are at the intersection of **Social Stratification**, **Demography**, and **Democracy**, focusing on the interplay between **macro-social phenomena** (*e.g.*, unemployment rate, inequality), individual **socio-demographic characteristics** (*e.g.*, unemployment experiences, age, social class), and **socio-political attitudes and behaviour**, including **social integration** (social trust and participation), **political engagement** (electoral participation, political trust), and **demographic outcomes** (economic homogamy, household composition). His **methodological** skills are mainly **quantitative**, with a focus on **multilevel models**, **longitudinal data analysis**, and **decomposition/counterfactual approaches**. His monograph “**Social Stratification, Life Course, and Democracy**”, based on his Ph.D. thesis, focuses on how stratification dimensions and the life course shape socio-political attitudes in Europe. His work appears in journals as the *European Sociological Review*, *Social Science Research*, and *The British Journal of Sociology*, and generated impact by contributing to the [World Bank](#)’s new social externalities of jobs framework.

Academic Employment

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| Jun 2020 – ongoing | University of Oxford - Department of Social Policy and Intervention & Institute for New Economic Thinking
<i>Postdoctoral Research Officer</i>
Funded by ERC Synergy Project DINA (“ <i>Towards a System of Distributional National Accounts</i> ”), grant n. 856455. PIs: B. Nolan, T. Piketty, E. Saez. Supervisors: R. Breen and B. Nolan |
| Jan 2017 – Sep 2018 | Bocconi University - DONDENA Research Centre
<i>Research Assistant</i> , funded by ERC Project INTERACT
Principal Investigator: D. Baldassarri, New York University |

Education

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| Jun 2016 – Jun 2020
(Ph.D. with legal duration of 4 years) | Bocconi University
<i>Ph.D. in Public Policy and Administration, Cum Laude</i>
Title Award: 29/01/2021
Thesis Supervisor: F. C. Billari;
Thesis Committee: G. Esping-Andersen, C. De Vries, R. Macmillan
Thesis Title: <i>Social Stratification, Life Course, and Political Inequality</i>
External Examiners: L. De Sio, D. Oesch |
| Oct 2019 – Dec 2019 | Nuffield College, University of Oxford
<i>Junior Visiting Scholar at the Sociology Group</i>
Supervisor: G. Evans |

Sep 2014 – Nov 2015 **London School of Economics and Political Science**
M.Sc. in Political Economy of Europe, with Merit

Sep 2011 – Jul 2014 **Bocconi University**
B.Sc. in International Economics, Management, and Finance

Monographs

Leo Azzollini (2024). *Social Stratification, Life Course, and Democracy*. Ledizioni LediPublishing: Milano. ISBN: 9791256000708.

Scientific Publications

Leo Azzollini and Delia Baldassarri (2024). “It’s the (local) economy, stupid!” Reddito di Cittadinanza and Sociotropic consensus for the Five Stars Movement. Preprint online at [Open Science Framework](#). **Accepted for Publication** at *Stato e Mercato*.

Vytenis Deimantas, Ebru Sanliturk, Leo Azzollini, and Selin Köksal (2024). Population Dynamics and Policies in Europe: Analysis of Population Resilience at the Subnational and National Levels. **Accepted for Publication** at *Population Research and Policy Review*.

Leo Azzollini (2023). Doubly Disadvantaged: Unemployment Scars, Young Age, and Electoral Participation in the UK. *The British Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 74 (5). Open Access. [Article Coverage]: [\[University of Oxford\]](#)

Leo Azzollini, Richard Breen, and Brian Nolan (2023). From Gender Equality to Household Earnings Equality: the role of Women’s Labour Market Outcomes across OECD Countries. *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, Volume 86. Open Access.

Leo Azzollini, Delia Baldassarri, and Paolo Segatti (2023). Marginalità Economica e Ideologia: come disoccupati e precari percepiscono la competizione elettorale tra sinistra e destra. (*Economic Marginality and Ideology: how the unemployed and precarious workers perceive electoral competition between left and right*.) Chapter in Edited Collection: [Svolta a destra? Cosa ci dice il voto del 2022](#). Authors: Associazione ITANES, Editors: Franca Roncarolo and Cristiano Vezzoni, Il Mulino, Universale Paperbacks. ISBN: 978-88-15-38625-0

Leo Azzollini and Brian Nolan (2023). Poverty, entry 121 at [Encyclopedia of Political Sociology](#), editors M. Grasso and M. Giugni. Edward Elgar Publishing. ISBN: 978 1 80392 122 8

Leo Azzollini (2023). Scar effects of unemployment on generalised social trust: The joint impact of individual and contextual unemployment across Europe. *Social Science Research*, 109, 102787. Open Access. [Article Coverage]: [\[World Bank\]](#), [\[University of Oxford\]](#)

Leo Azzollini and Ross Macmillan (2023). Are Bad Jobs Bad for Democracy? Precarious Work and Political Participation in Europe. *Frontiers in Political Science*, 5, 57. Special Issue on *Agents in Political Socialization in the 21st Century*, Edited by L. Dražanová, A.M. Jeannet, A. Vranceanu. Open Access.

Leo Azzollini, Richard Breen, and Brian Nolan (2023). Demographic Behaviour and Earnings Inequality across OECD Countries. *Journal of Economic Inequality*. Open Access.

Leo Azzollini (2022). Unemployment and Social Participation: the joint role of Individual and Contextual Unemployment in Europe. [*Participation and Conflict/Partecipazione e Conflitto*](#), 15(3) 2022: 916-955. Open Access.

Leo Azzollini (2021). The Scar Effects of Unemployment on Electoral Participation: Withdrawal and Mobilization across European Societies, [*European Sociological Review*](#), Volume 37, Issue 6, December 2021, Pages 1007–1026. Open Access. [Article Coverage]: [\[European Social Survey Select Findings\]](#), [\[University of Oxford\]](#)

Papers Under Review and In Preparation

Leo Azzollini, Richard Breen, and Brian Nolan. Changing Household Structures, Household Employment, and Poverty Trends in Rich Countries. [INET Working Paper 2023-29](#). Under Review at *Journal of European Social Policy*.

Leo Azzollini, Ebru Sanliturk, Vytenis Deimantas, and Selin Köksal. At Which Level Does Unemployment Affect Political Trust? A Multilevel Analysis across Europe. Under Review at *Social Indicators Research*.

Giacomo Melli and Leo Azzollini. Where I Stand and What I Stand For: Subjective Social Position and Attitudes Towards Redistribution. Preprint online at [Open Science Framework](#). Under Review at *British Journal of Sociology*.

Giacomo Melli, Leo Azzollini, and Franco Bonomi Bezzo. Infrastructural Deprivation and Attitudes towards Redistribution: a Contextual Analysis across Europe. Under Review at *Journal of European Public Policy* (Special Issue on Welfare and Politics).

Anne-Marie Jeannet, Paul Maneuvrier-Hervieu, and Leo Azzollini. Democratic Disservice: Social Stratification, Service Economy, and Satisfaction with Democracy in Europe (1980-2018). *In preparation*.

Teaching Experience

University of Oxford – Department of Social Policy and Intervention

2022/2023

- Co-Convenor and Lecturer in *Comparative Research Design*, M.Sc. in Comparative Social Policy. Hrs: 18
- Lecturer in *Qualitative Research Methods*, M.Sc. in Comparative Social Policy. Hrs: 6
- Lecturer in *Health Policy (Inequalities)*, M.Sc. in Comparative Social Policy. Hrs: 6

2021/2022

- Lecturer in *Comparative Research Design*, M.Sc. in Comparative Social Policy. Hrs: 12
- Lecturer in *Qualitative Research Methods*, M.Sc. in Comparative Social Policy. Hrs: 6

Bocconi University – Department of Social and Political Sciences

2019/2020

- Lecturer and T.A. in *Sociology*, B.Sc. in Economics and Social Sciences. Hrs: 27

2018/2019

- Lecturer and T.A. in *Topics in Comparative Politics*, M.Sc. Politics and Policy Analysis. Hrs: 20
- Lecturer in *Qualitative Research Methods*, Ph.D. in Public Policy. Hrs: 12
- Lab Tutor and T.A. in *Applied Statistics*, B.Sc. in Economics and Management. Hrs: 30

2017/2018

- Lecturer and T.A. in *Public Economics*, B.Sc. in International Politics and Government. Hrs: 20

Grants and Awards

Feb 2024

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions – Seal of Excellence

Awarded for “*Scar Effects of Unemployment on Democracy*” Project. Score: 87.2%. SoE Certificate available in Apr 2024.

Conference Activity, Seminars, and Invited Talks

June 2024 (exp.)

European Population Conference - Edinburgh

April 2024 (exp.)

British Journal of Sociology Inaugural Conference

Feb 2024

Seminar at Department of Social and Political Sciences – University of Milan

Jan 2024

Inequality and the Environment Workshop – Sciences Po

Jan 2024

Italian Society for Economic Sociology (SISEC) – Cagliari

Co-organiser of “*Economic Sociology and Democracy*” Sessions

Oct 2023

Seminar at Department of Social and Political Sciences – University of Milan

Sep 2023

European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) – Prague

Jun 2023

Politics and Society Workshop – University of Oslo

May 2023

RC28 Social Stratification Spring Meeting – Paris

Feb 2023

Italian Society for Economic Sociology (SISEC) – Brescia

Sep 2022

Politics and Society Workshop – University of Duisburg-Essen

Jul 2022

European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) – Amsterdam

Jul 2022

Inequality and Politics Workshop – Nuffield College, Uni. of Oxford

Jun 2022

European Population Conference (EPC) – Groningen

Jun 2022

Standing Group on the European Union (ECPR) – Rome

Apr 2022

RC28 Social Stratification Spring Meeting – London

Mar 2022

Politics and Society Workshop – University of Milan

Dec 2021

World Inequality Conference – Paris

Oct 2021

European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) – online

Jun 2021	European Political Science Association Conference (EPSA) – online
May 2021	Population Association of America (PAA) – online
Nov 2020	Institute for New Economic Thinking Researcher Seminar
Oct 2020	Nuffield Social Inequality Research Group Seminar Series
Jul 2020	European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) – online
Jan 2020	Invited Talk at Department of Sociology and Social Research – University of Trento
Sep 2019	European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) - Lausanne
Mar 2019	Spring School - European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) – Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin
Jun 2017	Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) - Brussels

Activities within Research Groups and Institutions

June 2023 – ongoing	Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford Member of Department Research Ethics Committee
Oct 2022 - Nov 2022	Nuffield College, University of Oxford Co-organiser of Nuffield Sociology Seminar Series, Michaelmas Term
Aug 2022 - ongoing	ITANES – Italian National Election Studies Collaborator
Jun 2020 - ongoing	ERC Synergy project DINA & World Inequality Database Oxford, Paris School of Economics, and Berkeley Researcher, Fellow, and Scientific Committee Member for World Inequality Conference
Jun 2020 - ongoing	Employment, Equity, and Growth Group, Institute for New Economic Thinking, University of Oxford Researcher
Jun 2020 – Jun 2023	Leverhulme Centre for Demographic Science, University of Oxford Researcher
May 2019 - ongoing	ERC DISCONT/PARADIGM Reading Group, Dondena Centre for Research on Social Dynamics, Bocconi University Member
Jan 2017 – Sep 2018	ERC INTERACT, Dondena Centre for Research on Social Dynamics and Public Policies, Bocconi University Research Assistant and Co-organiser of Workshop “How does Ethnic Diversity Affect Cooperation?” (June 2017)

Doctoral Coursework

Advanced Topics in Social Dynamics; Advanced Topics in Political Science; Population Studies and Demography; Sociology; Political Science; Advanced Topics in Economic and Political Institutions; Topics in Public Policy; History of Institutions and Inequality; Institutions in Comparative Perspective; European Policy; Inter-Governmental Relations; Public Administration; Organisation Theory; Public Economics; Microeconomics.

Doctoral Training in Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

Multilevel Models for Social Statistics; Advanced Survey Methods; Econometrics I, II, III; Statistics for Public Policy; Qualitative Methods for Policy Evaluation; Experimental Methods for Survival Analysis.

Other Research and Training Activities

Apr 2019

Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods

Panel Data Analysis; Causal Inference; R Techniques for Reproducible Research.

Mar 2019

ECSR Spring School in Old and New Methods

Register Data Analysis; Social Network Analysis; Field and Online Experiments; Geographic Data for Social Science Research; Archival Data Analysis.

Thesis Supervision Activities

Oct 2020 - ongoing

University of Oxford, Department of Social Policy and Intervention M.Phil. and M.Sc. in Comparative Social Policy

Thesis Supervisor: Emily Foreman (M.Phil.), Paula Dornbusch, Taehwan Kim (2022/2023); Anakaren Cervantes Ramirez, Tommaso Sacconi (2021/2022); Gideon Daitz (2020/2021).

Thesis Panel Member: Coleman Warren (M.Phil.), Catharina Savelkoul, Naqib Chowdury (2022/2023); Divya Vatsa, Sophie Weeden (2021/2022); Vittoria Baglieri (M.Phil.) (2020/2021)

Oct 2022 – Feb 2023

University of Trento, Department of Sociology and Social Research M.Sc. in Sociology and Social Research

Thesis Co-Supervisor: Giacomo Melli (2022/2023)

Ph.D. placements for M.Phil./M.Sc. supervisees include (chronologically): University of Oxford, Scuola Normale Superiore (Pisa), Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich (LMU).

Journal Referee Activities

British Journal of Sociology; Economic and Social Review; European Sociological Review; Frontiers in Political Science; Journal of European Social Policy; Letters in Geospatial and Resource Sciences; Research in Social Stratification and Mobility; Social Forces; Social Indicators Research; Social Science Research, Socio-Economic Review, West European Politics.

Non-Academic Employment

Jul 2015 – Jun 2016

PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PwC), Lattanzio Group

Intern (PwC), Public Advisory Consultant and Project Manager (LG)

Language Skills

Italian – Native Speaker; English – Advanced (C2); Spanish and French – Intermediate (B1).

IT Skills

Statistical software: R (Advanced), SPSS (Advanced), STATA (Advanced);

Document preparation software: LaTeX (Advanced), MS Office (Advanced).

References

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