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EDUCATION

Yale University, New Haven, CT 2023-Present
Combined Degree: Department of Italian Studies and Program in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGSS)

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ May 2023
B.A. in French & Italian, Magna Cum Laude
Thesis: *"Coming Out" of Sanremo: La rappresentazione queer nella musica italiana*
Advisor: Simone Marchesi

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Women's Studies Caucus Annual Conference Paper Award 2026
American Association for Italian Studies
Graduate Student Travel Award 2026
American Association for Italian Studies
Streicker International Fellows Program Summer 2022
Office of International Programs, Princeton University

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Conference Travel Grant Spring 2026
MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University
Grant for the "Other(ed) Italies" Working Group 2025-2026
Dean's Fund for Colloquia and Symposia, Yale University
Grant for the "Other(ed) Italies" Working Group 2025-2026
The Whitney Humanities Center, Yale University
Grant for the Other(ed) Italies Working Group 2025-2026
Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration (RITM), Yale University
Conference Travel Grant Spring 2025
European Studies Council, Yale University
Conference Travel Grant Fall 2024
MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University
Grant for the Diversity & Italian Studies Working Group 2024-2025
Program in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGSS), Yale University
Graduate Scholarship 2024
The Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation

Conference Travel Grant	Summer 2024
MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University	
The Isa and Avi Mehta Graduate Student Research Grant	Spring 2024
Program in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGSS), Yale University	
Graduate Scholarship	2023
The Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation	

INTERNAL SERVICE

Co-organizer, "Other(ed) Italies" Working Group*	2023-present
*Formerly Yale Diversity & Italian Studies Working Group	
Co-organizer, Queer Italian Pasta	2023-present
Co-organizer, Mutamenti: Alien Perspectives. Graduate Student Conference	2024
Mentor, Undergraduate Research Conference	Spring 2025, Spring 2024
Department of Italian Studies, Yale University	
Film Festival Selection Committee Member	2023-2024
Annual Yale Film Festival of New Italian Cinema, Yale University	
Leader of "Italian Conversation Hour"	Spring 2023
Department of French and Italian, Princeton University	

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Careless Crossdressing? A Reparative Reading of Michela Murgia's "Re di Venere" (2018)	June 3-5 2026
AAIS Annual Conference, Sassari, IT	
Awarded the Graduate Student Travel Award and the Women's Studies Caucus Annual Conference Paper Award	
"Ti ritrovo ovunque": Narratives of Trans In(coherence) in <i>Dolore minimo</i>	Mar 13-15 2025
AAIS Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA	
"Una madre atipica": The Familial and Familiar Trans Self	Oct 25-26 2024
Mutamenti: Alien Perspectives, hosted at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MA	
"Amor cieco et inerme": Towards a Gendered Model of Sight and Blindness in the Rime sparse	June 6-9 2024
AAIS Annual Conference, Sorrento, IT	
"In me movendo de' begli occhi i rai": A Gendered Reading of Vision in Petrarch's <i>Rerum Vulgarium Fragmenta</i>	April 26 2024
MARGIN Symposium: Kinesis and Stasis, New York University, New York, NY	
"In me movendo de' begli occhi i rai": A Gendered Reading of Vision in Petrarch's <i>Rerum Vulgarium Fragmenta</i>	Feb 27 2024
Medieval Lunch, Yale University, New Haven, CT	

SERVICE TO THE FIELD

Ad hoc peer editor

gender/sexuality/italy

LANGUAGES

English, Italian, Spanish, Latin