# CV – Chiara Cacciotti

1. **Personal Information**

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Languages: Italian (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (good), Spanish (good)

**2. Education**

11/2017 – 02/2021

07/2019 – 08/2019

10/2013 - 01/2016

10/2010 - 07/2013

Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology (XXXIII ciclo), **Sapienza Università di Roma IT,** Faculty of Urban Planning (DICEA)

Thesis on housing squats in Rome entitled: “Everything here is inhabited. From settled precarity to regeneration, the case of a roman squat”.

Supervisor: Prof. Piero Vereni.

Summer School in Ethnographic Methods, CIFAS Ethnographic Methods Field School – **Columbia University in the city of New York USA.**

MA in Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, **Sapienza Università di Roma** **IT** Faculty of Anthropology.

Research on the social stigma reversing process of a roman school with a majority of foreign pupils (Carlo Pisacane).

BA in Literature, **Università di Roma “Tor Vergata”** **IT**

Faculty of Literature.

Thesis on the role of television in shaping national identities between second-generation migrants.

**3. Employment history**

10/2021 – ongoing Postdoctoral Research Fellow, **Polytechnic and University of Turin (DIST), Turin IT**

ERC Starting Grant "Inhabiting Radical Housing"

Postdoctoral Research Fellow of the *Inhabiting Radical Housing* ERC-founded project, based at DIST (Polytechnic and University of Turin) and led by Prof. Michele Lancione, which focuses on the intersectional significance of global housing struggles. The research will develop the Italian component of the ERC project, going to study and analyze the forms of housing precarity experienced after police-forced evictions in Rome (IT), with particular attention to the political valence of forms of struggle that are not conventionally defined as 'political resistance', but derubricated as practices of resilience. The research will also engage in collective and collaborative intellectual work in the *Beyond Inhabitation Lab*, which hosts the ERC RadicalHOUSING project and is directed by Prof. Michele Lancione and Prof. AbdouMaliq Simone.

07/2022 – 11/2022 Researcher, **CNCA Coordinamento Nazionale Comunità di Accoglienza, IT**

funded by the Italian Ministry of Labor and Social Policies (year 2020) - Fund for the financing of projects and activities of general interest in the third sector.

Qualitative Researcher (Indipendent Contractor) of "*IEA! Inclusione, emancipazione, agency per combattere le diseguaglianze*", a project aimed at consolidating the role of the Italian third sector as a proximity agent able to facilitate the activation of empowerment and agency among people in need.

10/2021 – 04/2022 Editor, **UNICEF Fondazione Onlus, IT**

Editor of "Lost in education", a project with the aim of fighting educational poverty in Italy in order to guarantee to young people learning opportunities through the construction of educating communities.

11/2021 – 02/2022 Ethnography Trainer, **Circolo Arci Kokè APS / Bando Vitamina G Regione Lazio, IT**

Ethnography Trainer in the L.U.N.A. project (*Laboratorio Urbano di Narrazioni Autonome*), winner of the Call for Ideas " Vitamina G" funded by the Regione Lazio. L.U.N.A. is a lab of videomaking, documentary and ethnography techniques, designed for youths (18 to 25) resident in the 12th Municipality of Rome. The lab is aimed at realizing a collective documentary about the 12th Municipality itself and its life histories.

03/2021 – 07/2021 Qualitative Methods Trainer & Fieldwork Coordinator, **CENSIS, Rome IT**

funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme.

Trainer (qualitative data collection; qualitative analysis; qualitative assessments and surveys) and fieldwork coordinator in the municipality of Rome in the international SoNAR-Global project "COVID-19 Vulnerability Assessment and Community Engagement", coordinated by the Institut Pasteur of Paris and the CENSIS Institute of Rome.

04/2021 – 09/2021 Anthropologist, **This is us. Ritratti di seconda generazione, Rome IT**

Location Manager and Anthropologist of the photographic project “This Is Us. Ritratti di seconda generazione” (funded by the Regione Lazio) curated by the multimedia artist Maria Di Stefano and the art curator Veronica He.

01/2019 – 11/2019 Ph.D. Research Fieldwork, **Spin Time Labs, Rome IT**

funded by Sapienza Università di Roma IT (DICEA)

Research Ph.D. Scholarship

11/2016 – 11/2017 Community Manager, **Talent Garden, Rome** **IT**

Community Manager of the global network of coworking spaces for digital innovators Talent Garden srl. Main tasks: take responsibility of the community feeling and work-life balance within the two roman campuses; develop a collaborative work environment and foster members interaction through formal and informal activities.

**4. Teaching experiences**

10/2022 - 01/2022 Tutor, **Polytechnic of Turin, Turin IT**

Department of Architecture and Design (DAD)

Course: Scenario Design - Design Anthropology module

MSc, Design e Comunicazione Visiva.

Professors: Cristian Campagnaro, Nicolò di Prima, Silvia Stefani

**5. Active membership in scientific societies, labs, fellowships in renowned academies**

Core Team Member of: Beyond Inhabitation Lab (since 2022).

Member of: European Association of Social Anthropologists (since 2018).

**6. Organization of panels and/or conferences**

30/08 – 03/09/2022 **RGS-IBG Royal Geographical Society Annual Conference,** Newcastle UK

Panel with Michele Lancione (Polytechnic and University of Turin), AbdouMaliq Simone (University of Sheffield), Oluwafemi Olajide (Polytechnic and University of Turin), Ana Vilenica (Polytechnic and University of Turin): *Inhabiting radical housing: on the politics of inhabitation and intersectional struggles.*

26-29/07/2022 **European Association of Social Anthropologists**, Biennial Conference, Belfast UK

Panel with Michele Lancione (Polytechnic and University of Turin) and AbdouMaliq Simone (University of Sheffield): *Inhabiting liminality. Housing precarity in its spatial, political and social dimensions.*

07/05/2021 **Dottorato interdisciplinare in Tecnica Urbanistica del dipartimento DICEA Sapienza,** Rome IT

Seminar with Serena Olcuire and Silvia Antinori (Sapienza Università di Roma): *Il personale è sul campo. Le implicazioni di genere nella ricerca qualitativa.*

12-14/12/2019 **VII Convegno SIAA - Società Italiana Antropologia Applicata,** Ferrara IT

Panel with L. Lo Re (Sapienza Università di Roma): Memoria, ricordo, narrazione. *Quale futuro per il passato delle città?*

**7. Oral contributions to conferences (paper, roundtable, talk, poster, workshop)**

17/11/2022 **Book Talk “Informal Rome: Rule-Bending as Housing Governance in Contemporary Italy** (written by Isabella Clough Marinaro, John Cabot University)

Polytechnic and University of Turin IT

Discussant

30/08 – 03/09/2022 **RGS-IBG Royal Geographical Society Annual Conference,** Newcastle UK

Newcastle University, UK

Presentation of my contribute within the larger ERC Starting Grant "Inhabiting Radical Housing" project

24-26/08/2022 **RC21 Conference,** Athens

Harokopeio University of Athens GR

Paper: “Migration, squatting and the temporality of housing struggles in Rome, Italy”

21-25/06/2022 **Lagos Studies Association Conference,** Lagos NGA

Online

Presentation of my contribute within the larger ERC Starting Grant "Inhabiting Radical Housing" project

19/11/2021 **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Florence IT

Roundtable: Feminism as a method. Feminist and Queer Epistemologies, Methodologies and Methods in Social Sciences

20-24/07/2020 **European Association of Social Anthropologists**, Biennial Conference, Lisbon PT

Paper: Squatting as a form of ‘stable precariousness’: the case of Rome.

29-31/01/2020 **Precarious Lives, Uncertain Futures. An international conference**

Università di Roma “Tor Vergata” IT

Paper: When housing insecurity means ‘stable precarity’: the example of a Roman squat.

12-14/12/2019 **VII Convegno SIAA - Società Italiana Antropologia Applicata**

Università degli studi di Ferrara IT

Paper: Migranti e diritto alla casa a Roma. Le occupazioni abitative come forma di ‘welfare surrogato?’

09-13/07/2019**AESOP Annual Congress: Planning for Transition**

IUAV University of Venice IT

Paper: Migrants and housing in Rome. Residential squats as a form of ‘surrogate welfare’?

13-15/12/2018 **VI Convegno SIAA - Società Italiana Antropologia Applicata**

Cremona IT

Paper: La restituzione come processo e non come esito.

Il caso del laboratorio post Bataclan nella scuola primaria romana Carlo Pisacane

08/2018 **European Association of Social Anthropologists**, Biennial Conference, Stockholm SE

Paper: An italian school? Managing diversity and everyday cosmopolitanisms in the roman primary school Carlo Pisacane.

31/05- 03/06/2018 **Urban Struggles in the Mediterranean City Conference**

National Technical University of Athens GR

Paper with L. Brignone (Sapienza Università di Roma)*:* Perspectives of Self-Organization in Rome.

**Publication list**

**1. Publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals**

Cacciotti, C., (forthcoming*).* Migration, squatting, and the informality of housing struggles in Rome, *Radical Housing Journal.*

Cacciotti, C., (2022). Aprire è potere. Note sul passaggio dalla cratofobia alla cratofilia di un movimento di lotta per la casa romano, Action. *RAC – Rivista di Antropologia Contemporanea 3 (Il Mulino).*

Cacciotti, C., (2021). When diversity becomes a resource. Managing alterity and everyday cosmopolitanisms in the roman primary school Carlo Pisacane. *Critique of Anthropology* 41(4): 374-388.

Cacciotti, C., (2020). When squatting becomes ‘stable precarity’. The case of Santa Croce/Spin Time Labs, Rome. *Visual Ethnography* 9(2): 13-31.

Cacciotti, C., (2020). Dall’emergenza abitativa alla precarietà stanziale. Pratiche (e significati) di convivenza tra italiani e migranti in un’occupazione abitativa romana. *Antropologia Pubblica* 6(2): 141-158.

Brignone, L., and Cacciotti, C., (2018) Self-Organization in Rome: a map. *Tracce Urbane* 3: 224-237.

**2. Contribution to books**

Cacciotti, C., (2021). “Non è solo la casa”. Le occupazioni abitative romane come caso di economia morale e rigenerazione urbana. In *CIRCO. Un immaginario di città ospitale*, edited by Careri Francesco, Finucci Fabrizio, Luchetti Chiara, Marzo Alberto, Monaco Sara, Olcuire Serena, Perini Enrico, Rocco Maria, Rome: Edizioni Bordeaux.

Brignone, L., and Cacciotti, C., (2018) “Autorganizzazione e occupazioni abitative romane: una mappa (e un fenomeno) in movimento.” In *R/home. Diritto all’abitare dovere capitale*, edited by Giorgio De Finis, Irene di Noto, Rome: Bourdeaux Edizioni.

**3. Translations**

Vereni, P., Cacciotti, C., Cerulli, S. (2019) Italian translation for Raffaello Cortina Editore (Milano, IT) of: Graeber, D., Sahlins, M., (2017) *On Kings*. Chicago: Hau Books.

**4. Outreach activities (e.g. public engagement in science, technology and knowledge transfer activities, scientific art performances)**

17/10/2018 MACRO Museo di Arte Contemporanea, Rome, MacroAsilo Project. Invited contribution to the Conference “DIRITTO ALLA CITTÀ #1 | 10 TEMI, 10 TAVOLI, 100 INVITATI”.

05/2012 – 05/2016 Senior Editor & Co-founder of dailySTORM.it, an online magazine about culture and current affairs.

*4.1. Reports and publications intended for professional communities*

2019 “Le occupazioni abitative a Roma: un caso di economia morale?”, *Menabò. Etica ed Economia* n.112, <http://bit.ly/2rkvEPX>.

**Other experiences**

2021 Training course for anti-gender-based violence workers (Domestic Violence Risk Assessment & Management) – BeFree Cooperativa Sociale.

2020 Co-founder of SOLID Roma, a solidarity network that has gathered NGOs and local cultural associations active during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2020 Training course in Community Organizing - Community Organizing Onlus.