

# Curriculum Vitae

## Marina Della Rocca, Ph. D.

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<b>Education</b>	<p><b>Ph.D. in General Pedagogy, Social Pedagogy and General Education</b> at the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano</p> <p><b>Master's Degree in Cultural Anthropology, Ethnology and Ethnolinguistic</b>, University of Venice "Ca' Foscari", with top marks 110/lode</p> <p><b>Bachelor's Degree in Anthropology</b>, University of Bologna, with top marks 110/lode</p>
<b>Research areas</b>	<p><b>Anthropology of migration:</b> intersection of gender-based violence and migration concerning first- and second-generation migrant women</p> <p><b>Gender anthropology:</b> GBV, domestic violence, intersectionality and feminist approach in ethnographic and qualitative research</p> <p><b>Social work:</b> specific focus on the advocacy practices addressed to migrant-origin women</p> <p><b>Ethnographic and qualitative research methods:</b> specific focus on applied anthropology, collaborative and engaged ethnographic methods</p>
<b>Research experience</b>	<p>From September 2023 <b>Research assistant contract - Free University of Bozen-Bolzano – Competence Centre for Social Work, Social Pedagogy and Social Policy.</b> Research fellow on gender, migration, care, elderly, and generations under the supervision of Prof. Dorothy L. Zinn</p> <p>15/03/2018 – 14/03/2020 <b>Research assistant contract - Free University of Bozen-Bolzano:</b> Project led by Prof. Dorothy L. Zinn "Towards an intercultural understanding of gender-based violence and empowerment among women of migrant origin in South Tyrol" (funded through the Unibz Central Research Commission competitive call, 2017)</p> <p>November 2014- November 2017 <b>Ph.D. research - Free University of Bozen-Bolzano:</b> applied and collaborative ethnographic research in a South-Tyrolian anti-violence centre. Critical analysis of the structural violence affecting migrant-origin women and its reproduction in the advocacy practices</p> <p>October 2009- March 2010 <b>Master's degree research – Ca' Foscari University of Venice:</b> ethnographic field research in the fair-trade association <i>Aj Quen</i> in Chimaltenango – Guatemala on the empowerment of indigenous craftswomen</p> <p>October 2009 – March 2010 <b>Survey for quantitative research</b> for CTM – Altromercato of Bozen - Bolzano on the experience of indigenous craftswomen in the fair-trade association <i>Aj Quen</i> in Guatemala</p> <p>June-August 2006 <b>Bachelor's degree research - University of Bologna:</b> archival, historical and anthropological research on the female aesthetic and eating patterns of the 20th century in Germany and Austria</p>

**Extra-University  
Professional  
experience**

<b>From / to</b>	<b>Job</b>
01/09/2020-31/08/2023	Italian L2 teacher in the professional high-school Emma Hellenstainer in Brixen-Bressanone
2018 - 2021	Supervision of projects concerning migrant-origin women at the association Donne Nissà in Bozen-Bolzano
02/01/2018 - 14/03/2018	Part-time coordinator and educator in an assisted living project for young people at Kinderdorf (Brixen-Bressanone).
25/10/2010 - 31/10/2014	Antiviolence operator at "Associazione Gea, per la solidarietà femminile contro la violenza" in Bozen-Bolzano
06/12/2004 - 31/03/2009	Administrative employee at the Caritas of Bozen-Bolzano
2007	Occasional collaboration as guide for high-school students at the Women's Museum of Meran-Merano
01/07/2003 - 30/12/2003	Administrative employee at the ASSB (Social Service of Bozen-Bolzano)

**Delivered  
Trainings**

2022 and 2023 - Centro Pace – Caritas of Bozen - Bolzano.  
Training course for social and youth workers "Comprendere la violenza di genere" on GBV affecting migrant-origin young women

09/03/2021 - Jugenddienst-Meran.  
Training course for social and youth workers on GBV and domestic violence.

13/12/2020 - Caritas di Bolzano, "Training Antiviolenza" - Service for abusive men  
Workshop on the anthropological perspective on GBV and on the dynamics of domestic violence

26/09 and 3/10/2020 - Training Centre Lichtenburg in cooperation with the Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano (Ufficio minori e inclusione sociale)  
Training course for social workers and services' operators about GBV affecting migrant-origin women

15/11 and 30/11/2020 - Me.Dea Onlus Contro la violenza alle donne, Alessandria (AL)  
Online training course on the intersection of GBV and migration for antiviolence operators

05/11/2020 Centro Servizi Volontariato Asti Alessandria, Alessandria (AL)  
Online training course on the intersection of GBV and migration for services' operators and social workers

2019 and 2020- Azienda Sanitaria dell'Alto Adige  
Training course on GBV affecting migrant-origin women for healthcare professionals

5-6/05/2018 - Associazione Nazionale "D.i.Re – Donne in rete contro la violenza"  
Training course and workshops for antiviolence operators on the advocacy practices toward migrant-origin women

07/02/2018 - Caritas of Bozen- Bolzano

Training course for social workers on the advocacy practices towards migrant-origin women

12/12/2017 and 16/01/2018 Centro Antiviolenza e Casa delle Donne di Merano  
Training course and workshops for antiviolence operators on the advocacy practices towards migrant-origin women

27/11/2017 - Istituto di Scuola Superiore IPSCT Claudia de Medici, Bozen- Bolzano  
Workshop for high-school students on GBV and domestic violence

24/11/2017 - Intendenza Scolastica Italiana – Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano  
Training course for teaching staff on the history of women's rights and on gender inequalities

### **Other Professional Activities**

#### **Seminars and public speeches:**

22.11.2024. Presentation of the book “La città autistica” with the author Pr. Alberto Vanolo, University of Turin. Public event organized by EVAA (Ethnologischer Verein – Associazione Antropologica) GRETA (Genitori e Rete Autismo), Centaurus Arcigay Alto Adige - Suedtirolo, Nuova Libreria Cappelli.

29.08.2024: Presentation of the book “Il corpo nero” by Anna Maria Gehnyei. Public talk with the author organized by Centro Pace- Caritas di Bolzano.

27.05.2024: Public event with Guatemalan activist Lolita Chavez about Rights of Indigenous People in Guatemala organized by Centro Pace- Caritas di Bolzano at Centro Trevi, Bozen-Bolzano.

20.03.2024: Round table within the seminar “Diversità e pluralità culturale” organized by Studio Comune - Società Cooperativa Sociale Onlus via Portici 25, Bolzano

29.02.2024: Presentation with the author, Laura Schettini Historian of the University of Padova, of the book “L'ideologia Gender è pericolosa”, organised by EVAA (Ethnologischer Verein- Associazione Antropologica), Centaurus Arcigay Alto Adige Suedtirolo, Nuova Libreria Cappelli, Archivio delle Donne, Arci Bolzano.

29.11.2023 Free University of Bozen-Bolzano Campus Brixen  
Lecture about “Le radici della violenza di genere da una prospettiva socio-antropologica” organized by CPO of the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano as part of the series of events on GBV “No more violence”

09.10.2023 Lab-Dea University Ca'Foscari of Venice.  
Lecture on my monograph “Una casa per tutte le donne”.

26/04/2023 University of Bologna, Course of Anthropology of Migration  
Seminar on the book: “Una casa per tutte le donne. Etnografia della relazione di accoglienza con donne migranti in situazione di violenza”

17/03/2022 University of Torino - Corso di laurea in Educazione professionale  
Online speech “Violenza di genere. Uno sguardo antropologico sulle radici e le dinamiche della violenza sulle donne” in the conference “Violenza e fragilità: l'educatore alla sfida della postmodernità – teoria e buone prassi”

26/02/2021 University of Torino in cooperation with Rete Daphne  
Online speech:” La violenza di genere. Una lettura antropologica e operativa della violenza sulle donne” in the online conference “Fragilità e violenze nella postmodernità. Sguardi interdisciplinari e proposte educative”

2017-2019 Ethnocafé EVAA (Ethnologische Verein Alto Adige)

Series of seminars on the intersection of sexism and racism, GBV affecting migrant origin-women and on the empowerment of young migrant-origin women

2017 – 2019 Fondazione UPAD, Bozen- Bolzano

Series of seminars on the image of women in Europe and on women's rights

20/11/2018 University of Trento, Cours of Cultural Anthropology

Seminar for master's degree students on ethics, positionality and methodology doing ethnographic research in antiviolence centres

19/04/2018 Free University of Bozen-Bolzano and Forum Prevenzione Bozen-Bolzano

Seminar on the intersection of sexism and racism in the conference on structural violence "Sotto Mentite Spoglie"

### **Working Groups**

From 2019: "Donne, Migrazione e Violenza" - Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano/ Ufficio tutela minori e inclusione sociale

December 2020 - February 2021: "Sicurezza e tutela dalla violenza – Progetto Æquitas/ Piano d'azione per la parità di genere Alto Adige/ Sicherheit und Schutz vor Gewalt Autonomous Province of Bozen – Bolzano/ CPO"

2018: Report on the "Implementation of the Istanbul Convention in Italy. Shadow Report of women's NGOs. 2018". Co-writing of article 59 on the residence status of migrant women suffering GBV in Italy.

### **Scientific Conferences**

18.07.2024 18th EASA Biennial Conference (European Association of Social Anthropologist). Selected paper "Understanding migrant's women agency in responding to the culturalization of GBV in Italy" in the online panel "Migrations, gender equality and empowerment in the EU"

6-8.07.2024 IV CIRSS Conference (Conferenza Italiana sulla Ricerca in Servizio Sociale) in Lecce, University of Salento. Selected Paper "Genitorialità delle donne migranti in situazione di violenza: prospettive a confronto" in the panel "Genere e Servizio Sociale".

14-16.12.2023 XI Conference SIAA (Società Italiana di Antropologia Applicata) Usi Sociali dell'Antropologia. Patrimoni, salute, territori at the University of Perugia. Selected paper "Le (im)possibilità, i rischi e le contaminazioni come antropologa "nativa" in una ricerca etnografica presso un centro antiviolenza" in the panel *Quali etnografie nello spazio pubblico*.

14.11.2023 Conference "Violenza contro le donne e le bambine: implicazioni sociali per la salute e il futuro" at the University of Salerno.

Selected paper "Ethnographic research on migrant women's perspectives on gender, gender-based violence *and empowerment*" in the panel *generazioni, Violenze e Culture*.

18-20/06/2019 TMC - The Migration Conference 2019 – University of Bari

Selected paper presentation “Women’s liberation from gender-based violence: The perspective of migrant-origin women in South Tyrol (Northern Italy)” in the panel *Gender and Migration*

13-15/12/2018 Convegno SIAA (Società Italiana Antropologia Applicata) - Cremona  
Selected paper presentation “Incontro tra linguaggi, obiettivi e pratiche in una ricerca antropologica in un centro antiviolenza” in the panel *Antropologia partecipativa tra discorsi, potere comunicazione, e forme di autorappresentazione*

14-17/08/2018 EASA Conference (European Association of Social Anthropologists) 2018 – Stockholm

Selected paper presentation “The Definition of Honor on the part of Antiviolence Operators: A Critical Analysis” in the panel *Understanding “FGM” and sexual violence in diaspora: women’s journeys through re-creations of identity and discourses*

30/09/2017 Third Workshop on Transformative Research and Development – Faculty of Education of the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano

Invited paper “Rethinking the practices toward migrant women suffering domestic violence. Ethnographic collaborative research in a women shelter”

23-25/06/2016 First National Ph.D. Conference in Social Sciences, University of Padova.

Selected paper presentation “Dal lavoro di advocacy alla ricerca etnografica. Posizionamento e coinvolgimento in una ricerca partecipativa in un centro antiviolenza” in the panel *Metodi e tecniche della ricerca sociale*

09-11/09/2015 FWSA - Feminist Women Studies Association UK and Ireland Conference - University of Leeds (UK) *Everyday Encounters with Violence: Critical Feminist Perspectives*

Selected paper presentation “Violence against Migrant Women. A participatory qualitative research approach as liberatory practice through a feminist perspective”

04-05/06/2015 Fifth RAI (Royal Anthropological Institute) Postgraduate Conference on *Anthropology and the Politics of Engagement* in Manchester

Selected paper presentation “A collaborative ethnographic research studying the relationships between social work practice and migrant women suffering domestic violence” in the panel *Undisciplined translations: Sex and gender*

## **Publications**

### **Books:**

Della Rocca, M. (2024). *Beratung von Migrantinnen in Gewaltsituationen. Ethnographie der Frauenhausarbeit in Südtirol*. Opladen: Barbara Budrich Verlag.

Della Rocca, M. (2023). *Una casa per tutte le donne. Etnografia della relazione di accoglienza con donne migranti in situazione di violenza*. Edizioni Junior-Bambini S.r.l.: Reggio Emilia. ISBN 978-88-8434-956-9.

Della Rocca, M., & Zinn, D.L. (2021). *Violenza di genere e empowerment: la prospettiva di donne con background migratorio. Strumenti interpretativi per i centri antiviolenza/ Geschlechtsspezifische Gewalt und Empowerment: Die Sichtweise von Frauen mit Migrationshintergrund Interpretationshilfen für Kontaktstellen gegen Gewalt*. BUPRESS ISBN: 979-12-200-8116-0 (Third mission research).  
<https://webservices.scientificnet.org/rest/uisdata/api/v1/blobs/publications/2609>

### **Chapters in books:**

Della Rocca, M. (2021). Feminist Ethnography in a Women's Shelter: Self Reflexivity, Participation and Activism in Ethnographic Writing. In E. Tauber & D.L. Zinn (eds.), *Gender and Genre in Ethnographic Writing* (pp. 71-97). Cham: Palgrave Macmillan. ISBN: 978-3-030-71725-4.

Della Rocca, M. (2021). Ruolo materno, migrazione e vittimizzazione secondaria. La risposta istituzionale alle donne migranti in situazione di violenza. In S. Elsen, Nothdurfter U., Nagy A., Lintner C., Trott L. (eds.), *Social Work in a Border Region. 20 Years of Social Work Education at the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano* (pp. 259-269). BUPRESS. ISBN: 978-88-6046-187-2.

Della Rocca, M. (2019). Emotional vulnerability and ethnographic understanding: a collaborative research project in a women's shelter. In T. Stodulka, S. Dinkelaker & F. Thajib (eds.), *Affective Dimensions of Fieldwork*. (pp. 49-62) Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland AG. ISBN 978-3-030-20830-1.

### **Articles in scientific journals:**

Della Rocca, M. (*forthcoming*). Ambivalenze, possibilità e impossibilità di un'etnografia "at home" in un centro anti violenza. *L'Uomo*.

Della Rocca, M. & Zinn, D.L. (2019). Othering Honor-Based Violence: The Perspective of Antiviolence Operators in Northern Italy. *Human Organization*, 78(4), 325-334.

### **Articles in no scientific journals:**

Della Rocca, M. (2023b). *Una cultura non giustifica la violenza*. Published in September 21, 2023. URL: <https://www.ingenere.it/articoli/una-cultura-non-giustifica-violenza>

Della Rocca, M. (2017). The legal barriers affecting undocumented women in Italy. *Fempower*, 28(1/2017). Vienna: WAVE Office/European Info Centre Against Violence, pp. 4-5.

### **Articles in conference proceedings**

Della Rocca, M. (2012). L'esperienza di donne indigene *kaqchiquel* in un'associazione di commercio equo-solidale. In A. Fossati (ed.), *Quaderni di Thule. Rivista italiana di studi americanistici*, XI (pp. 59-65). Perugia: CSACA Onlus, Atti del XXXIII Convegno Internazionale di Americanistica 2011. ISBN: 978-88-903490-8-9.

### **Languages**

Italian: First Language

German: C1 Bilingual Certification of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano.

English: Advanced not certified

Spanish: Advanced not certified

### **Awards**

19.12.2024 Mention of the SIAA (Società Italiana di Antropologia Applicata - Italian Society for Applied Anthropology). Award for collaborative and applied research.

02.12.2023 Special mention in the section of scientific literature as part of the 24. Edition of 'Il Paese delle Donne' Award 2023 for the book "Una casa per tutte le donne. Etnografia della relazione di accoglienza con donne migranti in situazione di violenza".

January 2012 Third prize for the best Master's degree thesis 2011 concerning women (awarded by the Equal Opportunity Committee of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano)

## **Memberships**

### **Regular Membership:**

From 2024: SIAA (Società Italiana di Antropologia Applicata)

From 2018 ANPIA - Associazione Nazionale Professionale Italiana di Antropologia

2011 – 2020 Associazione Gea per la solidarietà femminile contro la violenza"

From 2012 Ethnologischer Verein Alto Adige (EVAA)

From 2014: "Biblioteca Culture del Mondo" of Bozen-Bolzano

### **With Service Role:**

From 2025 President of EVAA (Ethnologischer Verein Alto Adige)

2015-2018 vice-president of EVAA (Ethnologischer Verein Alto Adige)

2014-2016 president of the association "Biblioteca Culture del Mondo" of Bozen-Bolzano

## **Dichiarazione sostitutiva**

Ai sensi delle disposizioni di cui al D.P.R. n° 445 del 28/12/2000, consapevole delle sanzioni penali, nel caso di dichiarazioni mendaci, di formazione o uso di atti falsi, uso il sopraelencato curriculum vitae et studiorum come dichiarazione sostitutiva in materia di documentazione amministrativa.

## **Trattamento dei dati personali**

Autorizzo il trattamento dei dati personali contenuti nel mio curriculum vitae in base all'art. 13 del D. Lgs. 196/2003 e all'art. 13 del Regolamento UE 2016/679 relativo alla protezione delle persone fisiche con riguardo al trattamento dei dati personali.

Bolzano, 06.02.2025