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## Research Profile

Quantitative sociologist specializing in **migration, social inequality, and education** from a comparative European perspective. Extensive experience teaching **undergraduate courses in English**, including **comparative sociology, international studies, and research methods**. Research adopts a life-course approach and combines large-scale survey and administrative data with advanced quantitative methods.

## Academic Positions

**National University of Distance Education (UNED)**, Madrid, Spain 2026–Present  
Postdoctoral researcher (Department of Sociology III)

**University of Bologna**, Bologna, Italy 2024–2026  
Postdoctoral researcher (Department of Political and Social Sciences)

**University Pompeu Fabra**, Barcelona, Spain 2024  
Research Assistant (Department of Political and Social Sciences)

**University Carlos III**, Madrid, Spain 2020–2024  
Predoctoral Researcher (Department of Social Sciences)

## Education

**Ph.D. in Social Sciences (International Doctorate Mention)** 2020–2024  
Universidad Carlos III of Madrid, Spain  
*With Highest Honors.* Supervisor: Rickard Sandell.  
*Dissertation: Beyond the Dichotomy: Internal and International Young Migration in Post-2008 Recession Spain.*  
Committee: Ettore Recchi (Sciences Po), Sergi Vidal (UAB), Carolina V. Zuccotti (UC3M).

**M.A. in Research in Sociology and Demography** 2017–2018  
Universitat Pompeu Fabra of Barcelona, Spain

**B.A. in Law** 2011–2017  
Universidad of Zaragoza, Spain

**B.A. in Business Administration and Economics** 2011–2017  
Universidad of Zaragoza, Spain

## Research Stays

**Berlin Social Science Center (WZB)**, Germany Sep–Dec 2023  
Research Unit “Migration, Integration, Transnationalization”

## Funded Research Projects

*Multidimensional Masculinities and the Gender Divide: A New Comparative and Intergenerational Study* 2026  
Spanish Research Agency (PID2022-141422NA-I00) – P.I.: Tomás Cano López (UNED) Role: Research Fellow  
(quantitative analysis, dissemination, co-authorship of outputs)

*CaSAS – Care Sustainability in an Ageing Society (Spoke 5, Age-It)* (PNRR – NextGenerationEU) 2025  
PI: Marco Albertini (U. Bologna); National Coordinator: Daniele Vignoli (U. Firenze).

*Total budget:* 114.700.000 euros

*Role:* Research Fellow – data harmonization, deliverables and publications.

*ICTAGE – Social Stratification and ICT Utilization in Later Life* (PNRR – NextGenerationEU) 2024–2025

PI: Marco Albertini (U. Bologna); National coordinator: Bruno Arpino (U.Padua)

*Total budget:* 64.388 euros

*Role:* Research Fellow – data harmonization, deliverables and publications.

*Gender and Social-Origin Determinants of Early Labour Market Performance in Hard Times* (AEI – National Research Programme, Spain) 2024

PI: Luis Ortíz Gervasi (UPF). *Role:* Research Assistant – data preparation, quantitative modelling.

## Publications (Peer-Reviewed)

López Blanco, J.D. (2026). After Dropout: Social Stratification and the Dynamics of Educational Re-entry in Spain. *Research on Social Stratification and Mobility*, volume 102, 101128, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rssm.2026.101128>

López Blanco, J.D. (2025). From Students to Movers: Linking Internal and International Migration Trajectories among Spanish Bachelor's and Advanced Vocational Training Graduates. *Population, Space and Place*, 31(5), e70050. <https://doi.org/10.1002/psp.70050>.

López Blanco, J.D. (2025). Return to the South: Economic (Re)integration of Return Migrants, Internal Migrants, and Non-Migrants in Post-Recession Spain of the 2010s. *European Societies*, 1–46. [https://doi.org/10.1162/euso\\_a\\_00039](https://doi.org/10.1162/euso_a_00039).

López Blanco, J.D. (2024). Do languages open doors? A theoretical model of linguistic capital and (im)mobility and its application in Spanish youth migration. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 51(3), 565–582. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2024.2359676>.

López Blanco, J.D. (2017). Biopoder y derechos de la sexualidad. *LSJ Working Papers*, 2, 1–42. ISSN 2530-240X.

## Software Contributions

López Blanco, J.D. (2025). *cno11isco08*: Stata module to convert Spanish CNO-11 occupational codes into ISCO-08 (2, 3, and 4 digits). *Statistical Software Components S459543*, Boston College Department of Economics.

## Invited Seminar & Selected Conference Presentations

**Invited Seminar:** “Of Father and Son: The Intergenerational Transmission of the ‘Return’ Premium Across 20 European Countries,” MaD Colloquium, WZB Berlin (2023).

**Selected Conferences:** ASA Annual Meeting (2025, Chicago); RC28 Summer Meeting (2025, Los Angeles); EAPS Sustainable Ageing WG 1st Conference (2025, Padua); ESPAnet Annual Conference (2025, Milan); InRome Summer Meeting (2025, Rome); European Population Conference (2024, Edinburgh); ESA Conference (2024, Porto); WZB Annual Migration & Diversity Conference (2023, Berlin).

*Additional presentations:* 10+ international conferences (2021–2025).

## Teaching

**Total accredited teaching experience:** 210 hours (undergraduate level; accredited by Universidad Carlos III of Madrid, 2020–2022).

**University Carlos III of Madrid (UC3M), Spain**

2020–2022

*Instructor / Lecturer (English-taught)*

- **Comparative Sociology** (BA level): lectures and seminars.
- **Multidisciplinary Seminar in International Studies** (BA level): quantitative methods and research design.
- **Emerging Countries** (BA level): comparative development, inequality, and global stratification.

**Teaching areas:** Introductory Sociology; Comparative Sociology; Migration & Integration; Social Stratification; Research Methods (Quantitative); European Society and Politics.

## Advanced Methods and Training

**Winter Schools, University of Trento:** Social Policies (2024); Technological Change, Inequality & Stratification (2022).

**UC3M methodological workshops** (2020–2023): Structural Equation Models; Difference-in-Differences; Conjoint; Network Analysis; Spatial Econometrics; Qualitative Methods.

## Professional Service & Networks

**Peer reviewer:** *European Sociological Review*; *Acta Sociologica*; *Population, Space and Place* (x3); *Social Indicators Research*; *European Societies*; *Data in Brief*.

**Conference organization:** Co-organizer (with F. Zanasi), SISEC 2026 session “Opportunities and Challenges of an Ageing Population: Reflections in a Stratification Perspective,” Florence.

**Memberships:** European Sociological Association (ESA); European Association for Population Studies (EAPS); ISA Research Committee 28 (RC28); Società Italiana di Sociologia Economica (SISEC); Grupo de Estudios de Población y Sociedad (GEPS, Associate Member 2020–2023).

**Other:** External member of MA thesis committee, Universidad Europea (2023).

## Data & Technical Expertise

**Datasets:** SHARE; EU-LFS; ESS; ETEFIL 2019; ESD 1991; INE harmonized surveys.

**Methods:** Multilevel; Panel Data analysis; GSEM; Instrumental variables; Sequence Analysis; RIF and inequality decomposition techniques.

**Software:** Stata (advanced); R (advanced); L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X (advanced); Atlas.ti (intermediate).

## Awards, Fellowships, Accreditations

UC3M Distinction for Teaching Excellence (Multidisciplinary Seminar in International Studies), Bachelor *and* Dual Bachelor 2021/2022

Predocctoral Research Training Scholarship (PIPF), UC3M 2020

## Languages

Spanish (native); English (full professional proficiency); Italian (intermediate).

## References

### Marco Albertini

Full Professor of Sociology  
Department of Political and Social Sciences  
University of Bologna

### Luis Ortíz Gervasi

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