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**EDUCATION**

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, New York, NY**

**Master of Arts, Journalism, Politics Concentration, May 2026**

*Key Courses:* Investigative Journalism; Human Rights and Criminal Justice; Data Journalism

*Article:* Surveillance Algorithms: Brazil as a Laboratory for Facial Recognition

The Price of Free WiFi: The new frontier of digital control in public housing developments

**MILAN UNIVERSITY, Milan, Italy**

**Master's Degree in Print, Television and Multimedia Journalism, 2023**

**PADUA UNIVERSITY, Padua, Italy**

**Master's Degree in Law, 2020**

**EXPERIENCE**

**FANPAGE, Rome, Italy**  
2025

September 2023-July

***Editor and Investigative-Undercover journalist***

- Worked for over a year on “[\*The Meloni Youth\*](#)” (2023), an investigative video series exposing extremist rhetoric and networks within the youth movements tied to Italy’s ruling party, Fratelli d’Italia. Hosted the companion podcast “[\*The Meloni Youth\*](#)”, expanding the investigation into a long-form audio narrative. The investigation won the [DIG Award for “Investigative Short”](#), and sparked nationwide media coverage and [parliamentary inquiries](#) in Italy and the European Parliament regarding the rise of far-right ideology among young activists.
- Led an investigation into the Italian procurement of Israeli-made spyware (Paragon); conducted fieldwork and source interviews, mapped procurement channels and intermediaries—including the Israeli company Corsight AI—and analyzed the legal and policy implications of state and private surveillance technologies.
- Authored and co-researched the investigation “[\*Hunting the Foreigner\*](#)”, exposing anti-immigrant networks and xenophobic violence in Italy, from the Remigration Summit supported by the Lega party to secret chats and attacks by the far-right group Articolo 52.
- Authored and co-researched the investigation “[\*The Corrupt School\*](#)”, exposing the black market of academic credentials in Italy, where fake courses, manipulated exams, and illegitimate certificates reward those who pay and penalize those who merit.
- Contributed to establishing Fanpage.it as one of Italy’s leading multimedia investigative outlets, known for immersive reporting, fact-based storytelling, and ethical standards.

**AVVENIRE, Milan, Italy**

September 2022-September 2023

***Reporter – Foreign Affairs & Economy Desk***

- Reported on the Iran protests after Mahsa Amini’s death, the Somalia drought and humanitarian crisis, and Italy’s PNRR-related energy and recovery policies.
- Covered national issues such as gang violence in Milan and migrant shipwrecks on the Central Mediterranean route, producing timely articles for print and [digital](#) editions.

- Authored the [“Who Will Listen”](#), exposing violence and abuse within the Beccaria juvenile detention center.
- The investigation led to the initiation of a formal judicial inquiry by the magistrature, demonstrating the direct social and legal impact of the reporting.
- Conducted field research, interviews with current and former inmates.
- Produced multimedia reporting, combining narrative, data, and documentary evidence.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- *Video/Audio:* Adobe Premiere Pro; DaVinci Resolve; Adobe Audition; Flourish.
- *Investigative:* Open-source research (OSINT); FOIA; LexisNexis; [Bloomberg Terminal](#).
- *Languages:* Italian (native); English (Professional); Spanish (Beginner).
- *Courses:* Portrait Photography; Street Photography; Theatre Criticism & Classical Dramaturgy; RE-ACT Training – EU DATAACROS III (Transcrime); EU-funded Cross-Border Project “Pirouette”.