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RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Urban Studies, Migration, Childhood Migration, Affect and the Body, Space and Place, More-than-human epistemologies, Folklore, Germany, Italy, Japan

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH:

2025 - current

Research Fellow (Anthropology), University of Trieste, Department of Arts (Studi Umanistici).

Urban Studies, Migration, Childhood Migration, Affect

2017-2024

Ph.D. Candidate (Anthropology), UBC Vancouver

Including 2020-2022 Fieldwork based in Berlin, Germany. Focus: Migration, Urban Studies, Affect, Racism

2018-2022

Research Assistant, UBC Vancouver

with M. Hallensleben, Associate Professor, UBC Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies - Migration Cluster

With Gaston Gordillo, Professor, Anthropology

2015-2016

M.A. Student, Ca' Foscari Venezia (Anthropology)

Fieldwork based in Berlin, Germany. Focus: Urban Studies, Gentrification.

TEACHING:

2025-current

CARITAS

Instructional Seminars on the anthropological perspective and fieldwork

Teaching Assistant

University of British Columbia

2019 ANTH 403, *Ethnography of Sardinia - Heritage and Globalisation* (June 2019)

2018 - 2019 ANTH 206, *Anthropology of the Supernatural*, prof. S. Magliocco

2017 - 2018 ANTH 101, *Introduction to Anthropology* (Winter Term I), prof. C. Menzies

November 2018, *Graduate Instructional Skills Workshop*, UBC CTLT

ACADEMICS

DEGREES:

June 2024, **Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology**, *University of British Columbia*, Vancouver, Canada. Dissertation: "The Eye of the Storm: A Postmigrant Perspective on the Atmospheres of Berlin", advisor prof. G. Gordillo.

2019 - 2024, *University of British Columbia*, Vancouver, Canada

1Ph.D. Candidate in Anthropology

2017-2019, *University of British Columbia*, Vancouver, Canada

Ph.D. Student in Anthropology

June 2016, *Ca' Foscari University*, Venezia, Italy

M.A. in Cultural Anthropology, Ethnology and Ethnolinguistics,

with honors (110/110 con lode)

2011, *Polytechnic University*, Turin, Italy

Specialization in Emergency Architecture and Planning; Auto-built Architecture;
Architecture in the Developing Countries
2009, *Università di Bologna*, Bologna, Italy
Post Graduate Master Course in Ecological and Sustainable Architecture
December 2006, *Università degli studi di Pavia*, Pavia, Italy
**B.A.+ M.A. (Laurea Specialistica Quinquennale) in Architecture and Building
Engineering**, 109/110

PUBLICATIONS:

- Pegorer, Francesca. **2025**. "Trieste tra fragilità e cambiamento: prospettive sulla città di giovani migranti (Trieste between fragility and change: perspectives on the city from young migrants)" in *Fragilità, qualità dell'abitare e spazio urbano* (Marchegiani E., ed.) [provisional] [expected in December 2025]. Trieste.
- Pegorer, Francesca. **2024**. *The Eye of the Storm: A Postmigrant Perspective on the Atmospheres of Berlin*. [PhD Thesis]. UBC Vancouver.
- Pegorer, Francesca. **2023**. "A beautiful place: Postmigrant trajectories in and around Berlin's Tempelhofer Feld". *Crossings Journal of Migration and Culture*, vol 1, April 2023: pages 53-70.
- Pegorer, Francesca. **2021**. "Reflections Around Art-Based Urban Ethnography in a Gentrification Context". *Europe Now*, April 2021, <https://www.europenowjournal.org/2021/04/01/reflections-around-art-based-urban-ethnography-in-a-gentrification-context/>
- Pegorer, Francesca. **2017**. "Un luogo di sosta a Berlino: ospitalità come antidoto all'invisibilità sociale (A stopping place in Berlin: hospitality as antidote to social invisibility)". *Dada Rivista di antropologia post-globale* vol.1, June 2017. <http://www.dadarivista.com/Singoli-articoli/2017-Giugno/05.pdf>
- Pegorer, Francesca. **2017**. "Pass The Crayon e l'arte dei valori (Pass The Crayon and the art of civil values)", *Ospiti in Arrivo*, <http://ospitinarrivo.org/4046/pass-the-crayon-larte-dei-valori/>, February 2017
- Creighton, Millie, Ahmed Sayed, Basant, and Pegorer, Francesca. **2017**. Linking Past with Present While Visiting Sites of Injustice on the 75th Anniversary of Japanese Canadian and Japanese American Internment. *Japan Studies Association of Canada Newsletter*, Fall 2017, pp. 13-21. Saskatoon: University of Saskatchewan.

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS:

- "Spazi dell'Inclusione". *Infrastrutture della vita quotidiana come dispositivi di defragilizzazione*, Urban Center, Trieste (Italy), **November 2025**
- "Anthropology as a Guide through Challenging Times: Fieldwork Trajectories and the COVID-19 City". Sedimented Histories, Vital Trajectories: Canadian Anthropological Association Annual Conference, Okanagan (Canada), **May 2024**
- "Safe Haven? Living through the Pandemic as a Refugee/Migrant, an Urban Ethnography in Berlin". Europe's Past, Present, and Future: Utopias and Dystopias, The Council for European Studies 50th Annual Conference, **June 2021**
- "The everyday choreography of movement: Dance Theory to understand Place Making and Orientation Among Syrian Refugees in Berlin". *Colonial/Racial Histories*, National Narratives and Transnational Migration Conference, University of Helsinki, Finland (**Postponed to January 2021**)
- "From Friuli, Looking East: Multiple Belongings between Literature and Autoethnography". CES 27th International Conference of Europeanists, Reykjavik, **June 2020** (Accepted, Event Canceled)
- "Looking at policies from the border: micro-scale ethnographic research among newcomers and established residents in a (super)diverse European periphery". RGS 2019 Annual International Conference, London, UK, **August 2019**
- "From wasteland, to *Edgeland* to sacred land: urban gardens, communitas, and 'the city' in Berlin and Tokyo". Canadian Anthropological Association Annual Conference, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba, **May 2018**
- "Urban Interstices: *betwixt and between* creativity and oppression". GSCS Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference at UBC, Vancouver, Canada, **April 2018**
- "Making Community? Between Marginalization and Self-Determination in Berlin". Amplified: Voices, Landscapes, and Belongings, UBC Anthropology Poster Conference, UBC, Vancouver, Canada, **March 2018**

- “Il tempo e l’antropologia (Time and anthropology)”. *Che cos’è il tempo? Cantiere Teatro Ca’ Foscari*. Ca’ Foscari University, Venezia, **February 2017**
- “Traffic islands and urban gardens: residual green areas as sacred places in the city”. *New natures, entangled cultures: perspectives in environmental humanities*. Tallinn University Winter School, Tallinn University, Estonia, **January 2017**
- “Vulnerabilità e autodeterminazione in una comunità urbana: aspetti di un’esperienza etnografica (Vulnerability and self-determination in an urban community: aspects of an ethnographic experience)”. *Laboratorio DEA* (seminars on anthropology), *Ca’ Foscari University*, Venezia, Italy, **Nov 2016**

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS:

(**Multiple**) President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award

2019, Green College William C. Gibson Citation

2017 - 2021 Four Year Doctoral Fellowship (4YF) at the University of British Columbia

2000 - 2005 Five Year Residency at *Collegio Nuovo* (Center of Educational Excellence), *Sandra ed Enea Mattei Foundation*, Pavia University

ADMINISTRATION AND LEADERSHIP

2018 - 2019 Co-chair of the Wellness Committee at Green College, UBC; *Green Lantern* (Peer Support) at Green College, UBC

2018 Planner of the *Amplified: Voices, Landscapes, and Belongings*, conference, Anthropology Department (March 8th, 2018 UBC);

Designer of the *Amplified: Voices, Landscapes, and Belongings* Conference Flyer and Poster, with Eric Simons

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCES

2016. Volunteering Camp in Fukushima Prefecture (Japan), with NICE Japan

2011. Change by Design Nairobi (Kenya), with Architects Sans Frontiers UK

2011, Corso di Formazione alla cooperazione e al volontariato internazionale (Training for international cooperators and volunteers) *Semi di Giustizia*, ACCRI, CVCS, Solidarmondo

LANGUAGES

Italian (native speaker), English (fluent), German (fluent), Spanish (advanced), Japanese (basic).