Born in Stradella (Pavia, Italy), April 19, 1962. Married, one child.

Current Academic Position

Full Professor of History of Political Thought, Dept. of Culture, politica e società, University of Torino

Fields of Interest and Research

- History of Political Thought, Political Philosophy, and Political Institutions
- Contemporary History
- American History and Politics
- German History and Politics
- Italian History and Politics
- Democracy, Leadership and Elite Theory
- Parties and Party Systems; Electoral Systems
- Mass Society and Culture
- Nations and Nationalism
- History and Theory of International Relations
- Weber-Forschung

Education

- 1987 Laurea in Contemporary History, University of Torino (summa cum laude and "dignità di stampa"). Supervisor: prof. Massimo L. Salvadori
- 1992 Ph.D in History of Political Thought and Political Institutions, University of Torino. Supervisor: prof. Massimo L. Salvadori

Academic Career

- 1994-2001 Assistant Professor of History of Political Thought, University of Torino
- 2001-2004 Associate Professor of History of Political Thought, University of Torino
- 2005-present Full Professor of History of Political Thought, University of Torino

Other Academic and Institutional Activities

- 2000-2004 Rector's Delegate for New Student Orientation, University of Torino
- 2002-2004 Director of www.unito.it (the University of Torino Website)
- 2006-present Steering Committee Member and Deputy Director of the Doctoral School in Political Studies. History and Theory, University of Torino
- 2009-2010 Evaluation Committee (Nucleo di Valutazione) Member, University of Torino
- 2010-2012 Director of the Department of Political Studies, University of Torino
- 2013-2015 Member of ANVUR Working Group on academic journals and books
- 2015-present Member of ANVUR GEV Area 14

Visiting Scholar/Professor

- 2000 Visiting Scholar at Cornell University The Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies
- 2009 Visiting Professor at UMSA (Universidad Mayor de San Andrés), La Paz, Bolivia

- 2011 Visiting Professor at UNAM (Universidad Nacional Autònoma de México), Mexico City, Mexico
- 2013 Visiting Professor at UNAM (Universidad Nacional Autònoma de México), Mexico City, Mexico
- 2013 Visiting Professor at CIDHEM, Cuernavaca, Mexico

Membership

- 1994-present Member of AISDP Associazione Italiana degli Storici delle Dottrine Politiche
- 2011-present Member of SISP Società Italiana di Scienza politica

Scientific Boards

- 1998-99 Scientific Board Member of Servizio Nazionale Qualità dell'Istruzione, Ministero della Pubblica Istruzione (Roma) and Centro Europeo dell'Educazione (CEDE, Frascati)
- 2003-present Scientific Board Member of Fondazione Istituto Piemontese Antonio Gramsci
- 2009-2010 Scientific Tutor and Supervisor at Fondazione Bruno Kessler Studi Storici Italo-Germanici / Italienisch-Deutsches Historisches Institut, Trento (Director: prof. Gian Enrico Rusconi)
- 2010-present Scientific Board Member of Fondazione Luigi Firpo Centro di Studi sul Pensiero Politico
- 2013-present Scientific Board Member of Fondazione Filippo Burzio, Torino
- 2016-present Scientific Board Member of Fondazione Luigi Einaudi, Torino

Journals and Series

- 1994-2010 Editorial Board Member of "Teoria politica" (FrancoAngeli, Milano)
- 1999-present Co-editor with prof. Massimo L. Salvadori of the series "Biblioteca Essenziale Laterza Politica" published by Laterza, Roma-Bari
- 2011-present Scientific Board Member of "Teoria politica. Nuova Serie" (Marcial Pons, Madrid-Barcelona-Buenos Aires)
- 2012-present Editor of "Storia del pensiero politico" (il Mulino, Bologna)

Awards

- 1996 International Award "Nuova Antologia. Political Science Edition" (Lugano) for the book I dilemmi della democrazia moderna. Max Weber e Robert Michels, Laterza, Roma-Bari 1993 (see publications)
- 2004 Award "Cultura Città di Santa Marinella (Roma)" for the book L'opposizione al governo Berlusconi, Laterza, Roma-Bari 2004 (see publications)

Scholarships and Research Grants

- 1988-89 Scholarship from Fondazione Luigi Einaudi of Torino
- 1989-92 Scholarship from University of Torino (PhD in History of Political Thought and Political Institutions)
- 1992 Research grant from Fondazione Luigi Einaudi of Torino
- 1997 Research grant from CNR. Subject: American History and Politics (XIX-XXth Centuries)

- 1998-99 Research grant from MIUR (PRIN Program). Subject: The European Left in the XXth Century
- 2000 Research grant as Visiting Scholar at Cornell University
- 2000-2001 Research grant from MIUR (PRIN Program). Subject: Clash of Civilizations in a Global Age
- 2002-2004 Research grant from MIUR (PRIN Program). Subject: Revolutions and Political Order in Modern and Contemporary Age
- 2005-2006 Research grant from MIUR (PRIN Program). Subject: Democracy, Conflicts and Political Order
- 2007-2008 Research grant from MIUR (PRIN Program), Local scientific coordinator. Subject: Democracy, Conflicts and Political Order
- 2010-2011 Research grant from MIUR (PRIN Program), Local scientific coordinator. Subject: Community, Inclusion and Happiness in the Era of Globalization

Teaching

- 1999-present History of Political Thought, Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia, University of Torino (undergraduates and graduates)
- 1999-2002 Political Thought, Scuola Interateneo di Specializzazione per la Formazione degli Insegnanti della Scuola Secondaria, University of Torino
- 2004-present Political Concepts, Master in Journalism (COREP and University of Torino)
- 2006-present Political Thought, Ph.D Program in Political Studies. History and Theory, University of Torino
- 2008-present History of Contemporary Political Thought, Scuola Universitaria Interfacoltà in Scienze Strategiche, University of Torino and Scuola di Applicazione e Istituto di Studi Militari dell'Esercito (undergraduates)
- 2010-present History of Political Thought, Scuola di Studi Superiori, University of Torino
- 2014-15 History of International Political Thought, University of Torino