

Short Curriculum Vitae of Valentina Lucia La Rosa

Valentina Lucia La Rosa was born in Catania (Italy) on February 4th, 1987. Currently, she is a PhD student in “Educational processes, theoretical-transformative models and research methods applied to the territory” at the Department of Educational Sciences of the University of Catania. Her PhD supervisor is Professor Elena Commodari and her research project is focused on the evaluation of maternal representations and affective, social and relational implications in immigrant pregnant women.

She graduated in Clinical Psychology on November 2011 from the Kore University of Enna with the final vote of 110/110 cum laude, discussing an experimental degree thesis entitled "Decisional processes in adolescence. The influence of the parenting process and the peer group on decision styles". On October 2018 she qualified for the profession of psychologist at the University of Messina and since November 2018 she has been registered with the Order of Psychologists of the Sicilian Region with the registration number 6491/A.

On October 2016 she specialized in psychoanalytically oriented psychotherapy at the Higher Institute of Freudian Studies “Jacques Lacan” of Catania with the final vote of 50/50 cum laude. On September 2019 she obtained the Master in “Biostatistics for clinical research and scientific publication” at the University of Padua. Furthermore, she obtained a Master in Psychodiagnostics on October 2013 and one in learning disabilities on October 2016.

From January 2018 to October 2019 she worked as a psychologist at the Unit of Urology of the Azienda Ospedaliera di Rilievo Nazionale e di Alta Specializzazione Garibaldi of Catania within the PSN 2015 Oncological Networks Project "Prostate Unit Implementation". Currently, she works as a psychotherapist in her private practice.

She has been an adjunct professor of General Psychology in the Degree Course in Dentistry and Dental Prosthesis for the academic year 2018-2019. Since 2016 she is a Subject Expert in Clinical Psychology at the University of Catania.