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She graduated in “Lingue e letterature straniere”, University of Catania, on April 11, 2000, 110/110 cum laude, with a thesis entitled La Facoltà di medicina e l’Università di Catania. Le discipline anatomo-chirurgiche (1779-1860), based on an extensive first-hand documentation kept at the State Archives and at the Historical Archive of the University of Catania.

From June 2009 she is a lecturer in Modern History at the Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione” of the University of Catania.

She took a Ph.D. in “Storia dell’Europa Mediterranea dall’antichità all’età contemporanea”, at the University of Basilicata in 2005 with a thesis on *Università e potere urbano nella Sicilia borbonica: il ruolo del medico (1779-1860)*. The dissertation, published in 2008, has requested a detailed analysis of several sources kept in the Archives of Naples, Palermo and Catania, in addition to many other books and manuscripts.

She had a research grant from 2005 to 2009.

Even before graduation she began a close collaboration with that Chair of Modern History - and with the teacher, Professor Silvana Raffaele - which enabled her to take an active part in conferences and seminars, participating in their organization.

Teachings

 - Annual contract for teaching Modern History (M-Z course) at the Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione”, University of Catania, 01/11/2006 - 31/10/2007.

 - Two contracts for teaching Modern History, degree in “Formazione di operatori turistici” (Piazza Armerina), Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione”, 01/11/2007 - 31/10/2008; 01/11/2008 - 01/06/2009.

- Teacher of Modern History, degree in “Formazione di operatori turistici”, Department of “Scienze della Formazione”, 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2018-2019, 2019-2020; co-teaching in 2020-2021.

 - She was teacher of Modern History, degree in “Scienze pedagogiche e progettazione educativa” , Department of “Scienze della Formazione”, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019.

- She was teacher of History of Modern Sicily, degree in “Formazione di operatori turistici”, Department of “Scienze della Formazione”, 2009-2010, 2010-2011.

 - She was teacher in a course for new students, degree in “Formazione di operatori turistici”, Department of “Scienze della Formazione”, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2013-2014, 2015-2016.

- She was teacher in a master about “Esperto nella progettazione di servizi per il turismo sostenibile”, Department of Scienze della Formazione, with a course titled “Valorizzazione della cultura e delle tradizioni locali” (M-STO/02), year 2012, 24 hours.

Contracts, grants and research projects

- She signed an “Agreement of intellectual work” titled *Sovranità e territorio (secoli XVI-XIX)*, (“ex 40%”) - Coordinator Professor Giuseppe Giarrizzo, responsible Professor Enrico Iachello: MURST co-financing 1998-99, which included a search for documents at the Diocesan Archive and at the University Historical Archive of Catania, and the creation of a data base (2000).

- She won a grant by the Regional Province of Ragusa, Department of Education (2001).

- She had the contribution of € 1437.00 for the conduct of the research project, of two years, entitled *Luoghi di aggregazione nella Sicilia moderna*, Young Researchers Project – 2000 (2002).

- She has worked at the University Research Project (2003) entitled *Istruzione e società. Percorsi formativi nella Sicilia borbonica*, responsible Professor Silvana Raffaele.

- She has worked at the Research Project of National Interest (2003) entitled *Uso e reinvenzione dell’antico nello spazio pubblico e nella politica culturale in Sicilia (secoli XVI-XIX)*, national coordinator Professor Franco Benigno and local responsible Professor Silvana Raffaele.

- She signed an agreement with the Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione”, University of Catania, degree in “Formazione di operatori turistici”, located in Piazza Armerina, related to activities research, transcripts of archival documents, filing and processing data for the chair of Modern History. This project permitted the creation of a historical-tourism related to *I luoghi dei Trigona: un progetto di turismo culturale*, with the supervision of Professor Silvana Raffaele, and the collaboration of Dr. Alessandra Greco and of a group of students of the Degree Course (2005).

- “Progetto di Ateneo”, year 2006, on *Potere e contropotere: letteratura, cultura, politica e società nell’Italia dei secoli XVIII-XX*, in collaboration with the Faculty of Arts, University of Catania.

- “Progetto di Ateneo”, year 2007, entitled: *Cultura, controcultura e repressione dal XVI al XX secolo: canone, normativa, repressione; i testi proibiti, lo schermo censurato*, responsible: Professor Silvana Raffaele.

- “Progetto di Ateneo”, year 2011 (announcement 2008), entitled: *Potere, contropotere e trasgressione: percorsi della censura tra età moderna ed età contemporanea*. Responsible: Professor Silvana Raffaele.

- “Progetto di Ricerca Nazionale”, year 2009, entitled *Il modello fisiocratico: economia e politica di un progetto liberale*. Coordinator: Professor Antonino De Francesco; responsible: Professor Enrico Iachello.

- She was a member of the group “Medicine” in the project on the theme *Tradizione e rinnovamento nella cultura scientifica nella Sicilia tra Sette e Ottocento*, headed by prof. Domenico Ligresti, contributing to the achievement of its data-base (2011).

- She has a loan for researchers (University of Catania, year 2012) with a project entitled *Medicina, politica, società. Teorie sistemiche e processi istituzionali (secoli XVIII-XIX)*.

- She was a member of “Finanziamento della Ricerca (FIR)”, University of Catania, year 2014, with a project entitled *Ambivalenza e conflitto nei “luoghi” della sociabilità e delle appartenenze dal moderno all’attuale*.

- On 26 November 2015, in Rome, during the opening ceremony of the academic year 2015/2016 (95th Foundation) of the Academy of History of Sanitary, she was awarded the prize “Elide Stramezzi” for book *L’eco di Brown. Teorie mediche e prassi politiche (sec. XVIII-XIX)*.

- She is a member of “Finanziamento della Ricerca Dipartimentale (FIRD)”, University of Catania, year 2017, with a project entitled *Relazioni politico-istituzionali, economiche e socio-culturalinel Mediterraneo dall’antichità all'età contemporanea*.

- She is a member of Prin 2017: *Istruzione e sviluppo nel sud Italia dall'Unita all'eta giolittiana (1861-1914)*.

- She is *Principal Investigator* of the reserach project of the Department entitled *Autorità maschile e vissuti femminili tra storia e psicologia*, 2020-2022.

Conferences and seminars

- She was a speaker at the conference about: *I segni della memoria: quadri generali e contesti locali. Istituzioni, società e territorio* (Donnafugata, Modica and Ragusa Ibla, October 1-4, 2003), with a lecture on *Mestieri e professioni nell’area iblea. Analisi delle fonti (secolo XIX)*, taking an active part in organizing the conference itself.

The book was presented at the first “Salone del libro di viaggio”, cultural event held for the first time in Catania, “Le Ciminiere”, February 24-26, 2006.

- In 2004 she was a speaker at the international conference about *Il Francescanesimo ibleo* (Ragusa, Comiso and Modica, October 10-13), with a lecture entitled *I Cappuccini a Modica: note di vita conventuale*.

- She was a speaker at the conference on *Uso e reinvenzione dell’antico nella politica di età moderna (secoli XVI-XIX)*, held in Teramo (May 18-19, 2006), with a lecture entitled *La ricerca dell’antico nelle tappe del Grand Tour in Sicilia*.

- She took part in the 4th Assembly SISEM - which is a member since 2005 - on *Archives and Research* (Brescia, March 2006).

- She took part as a speaker at the conference on *Il Mezzogiorno d’Italia in età napoleonica*, (Potenza, May 7-9, 2007), with a lecture entitled *Politica e società nel decennio francese: i percorsi formativi*, discussed with Professor Silvana Raffaele.

- She was a speaker to the international conference about *Francescanesimo e cultura nella provincia di Catania* (Catania, December 21-22, 2007, presenting a lecture *entitled Per consolare il mio trafitto cuore: storie di monache nella Catania moderna*, discussed together with Professor Silvana Raffaele and Dr. Alessandra Greco.

- She took part in the 5th Assembly SISEM on *Valutazione e discipline storiche* (Pisa, February 15-16, 2008).

- It was a speaker at the first residential course entitled *Disturbi del sonno in età infantile. Prevenzione e formazione: dalla fisiologia alla patologia ed alla genetica* (Catania, September 10-11, 2010), with a lecture entitled *Tra sonno e sogno: il reale e l’immaginario*.

- She was a speaker at the conference for the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy, sponsored by the Institute for the History of the Italian Risorgimento, the Committee of Catania (Bronte and Catania, November 29-30, 2010) with a lecture entitled *Misfatti e malfattori. Il sistema penale nel Meridione borbonico*.

- She took part in the 8th Assembly SISEM about *La storia moderna rilegge l’Unità d’Italia (Torino, March 25-26, 2011.*

- She was a speaker at the AATI Annual Conference, The Sicilian session (Erice, May 25-30, 2011), with a lecture entitled *Donne e saperi nel Meridione borbonico*, discussed together with Professor Raffaele.

- She attended the presentation, on July 8, 2011, of the book by Silvana Raffaele *Aut virum, aut murum. Matrimoni strategici, serafiche nozze e mistici divorzi nella Sicilia moderna*, during the “EMUNI Summer School”, organized by the Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione” of Catania.

- She took part as a moderator at the conference entitled *Storia della pediatria e dell’infanzia nei secoli. 1. Preistoria, Protostoria e Civiltà Antiche* (Catania, September 10, 2011).

- She was a speaker at the seminar *Tradizione e rinnovamento nella cultura scientifica nella Sicilia tra Sette e Ottocento* (Catania, December 12, 2011) with a lecture entitled *Avanguardia medica e medici all’avanguardia nella Sicilia borbonica*.

- She was a speaker at the conference entitled *Storia della medicina attraverso i secoli. I. Neurologia e psichiatria* (Catania, July 6, 2012) with a lecture entitled *L’eco di Brown in Sicilia*.

- She was a speaker at the conference entitled *Beni culturali e turismo integrato tra Comiso e la Sicilia meridionale. Realtà, valenza, potenzialità economiche e prospettive di sviluppo* (Comiso, Ragusa e Modica nei giorni November 15-16-17, 2013) with a lecture entitled *Vita nobile: luoghi, usi e costumi dell’aristocrazia iblea in età moderna. I Grimaldi*.

Presentation, together with Dr. Cristina Soraci, of the historical novel *La dama rossa*, by the writer and historian Giada Trebeschi, library "Cavallotto" (Catania, May 2, 2014).

- Presentation of the lecture entitled *Europe and Islam. Michele Amari legge Ibn Zafer*, in occasion of the conference *Mare Nostrum. Mediterranean Studies Symposium* (Catania, May 30, 2014), organized by the University of Catania, the Auburn University in Alabama (USA) and the University of Paris X Nanterre.

- Presentation of the lecture entitled *Pro e contro Brown. I* Pensieri *della dottrina di Giovanni Brown di Tommaso Migliore*, during the 50th National Congress of the Italian company of the History of Medicine (Palermo, October 2-4, 2014).

- She was a speaker at the Seminar of Studies *Guerra, violenza e mobilitazione politica nel Mezzogiorno risorgimentale (1820-1870)* (Salerno, January 26-28, 2015) with a lecture entitled *I moti del 1820-21 nel Valle di Catania*.

- Presentation of the book by Grazia Dormiente and Giuseppe Leone, entitled *Modica. La storia del suo cioccolato* (Modica, December 6, 2015).

- Seminar of presentation of the book by Giada Trebeschi *Elisabetta allo specchio. Riflessioni storico-teatrali sull’età di Shakespeare* (Catania, May 3, 2016).

- Member of the Scientific Commitee of the International Conference *Understanding social conflict. The relationship between sociology and history* (Catania, December 14-15, 2016).

- Speaker at the Opening session of the International Conference *Understanding social conflict. The relationship between sociology and history*, with a lecture entitled *A «new mania». Carboneria: conflicts and ambivalences (Sicily, 1820-1830)* (Catania, December 14, 2016).

- Moderator of the session *Cosmopolitism and social conflict* at the International Conference *Understanding social conflict. The relationship between sociology and history* (Catania, December 15, 2016).

- Presentation of the book *Marcellus Capra, Philosophu ac Medicus Nicosiensis* (Nicosia, April 28, 2017).

- Speaker at the conference: “*Non conformismo religioso” nel Mezzogiorno d’Italia dal Medioevo all’Età contemporanea*, with a lecture entitled *“Per smascherare l’ascoso veleno. Forme di eresia e censura libraria nella Sicilia di età moderna* (Monteleone di Puglia, June 9-10, 2017).

- Speaker at the VI Congresso Nazionale sulle Neurofibromatosi with a lecture entitled *Conclusioni ed inquadramento storico* (Catania, October 6-7, 2017).

- Invitation to the International Conference *Popolazione, famiglia e società in età moderna* (Bari, December 21-22, 2017).

- Presentation of the book written by E. Frasca and S. Sinardo, *Società, cultura e territorio. Le origini, gli Statuti e il patrimonio nelle carte inedite dell’Ente Morale Autonomo “Liceo Convitto” di Modica (secoli XIX-XX)*, Acireale, Bonanno, 2017 (Modica, May 12, 2018).

- Speaker at the International Conference *Kings and Queens 8 “Resilio ergo Regno”, Resilience, Continuity and Recovery at Royal Courts*, with a lecture entitled *A Vicereine of Naples in Phillip II’s court. Dorotea Barresi*(Catania, June 24-27, 2019).

- Partecipation to the “European Research Night” (Catania, September 27, 2019) with the following panels: *Alla scoperta della nostra bandiera* (with professor C. Soraci) and *Sulle tracce di Iulia Florentina* (with professors D. Palermo and C. Soraci).

- Speaker at the conference *Promuovere buone prassi di intervento e contrasto alla violenza di genere. Il ruolo della magistratura e delle scienze dell’uomo*, with a lecture entitled *“Le maledette figlie femmine consumano le casate”. Violenza e coercizione di donne in età moderna* (Catania, November 25, 2019).

- Manager, together with Cristina Soraci, of the“Giornata interdisciplinare di studi in onore di Monsignor Gaetano Zito” entitled*Iulia Florentina e i martiri catanesi* (Catania, February 8, 2020), in which she presented a lecture entitled *L’epigrafe di Iulia Florentina dalla Sicilia alla Francia*.

- Presentation of the book *Undestanding social conflict. The relationship between Sociology and History*, MT, January 14, 2021.

Institutional activities

She works closely with the Chair of Modern History at the Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione” of Catania, with an intense tutoring for students, and setting and following numerous dissertations.

She was a member of the organizing committee of the “Job 2011”, held at “Le Ciminiere” (Catania, December 14-16, 2011).

She was a member of the “Locali” commitee of the Faculty of “Scienze della Formazione”, University of Catania.

She is a member of “Centro Siciliano Accademia Arte Sanitaria (ASAS)”.

She was a member of the external evaluation committee of“Dottorato di ricerca in Scienze del linguaggio, della società, della politica e dell’educazione”, University of Salerno, XXXI ciclo.

She was one of the responsible teachers of the quality of degree (SUA – Degree in Scienze pedagogiche e progettazione educativa), and of the committee “Piani di studio” (Degree in Scienze pedagogiche e progettazione educativa).

She is responsible of an Erasmus agreement with the University of Angers.

She is president of the scientific committee of the Ente Morale Autonomo Liceo Convitto of Modica.

She is CINECA’s referee.

She is a member of the “Giunta di Dipartimento” (years 2020-2024).