

Curriculum – English version

Dr. Cristina Soraci

- she obtained the Diploma in *Lettere classiche* on 5 november 2001 at the University of Catania with 110 out of 110 marks, praise and dignity of the press for the thesis in Roman History entitled: *Gli alimenta tra assistenzialismo statale e carità cristiana*;
- she was winner of a scholarship for the PhD in *Storia dell'Europa mediterranea dall'antichità all'età contemporanea*, based in Potenza, at the end of which she presented a thesis entitled *I granai di Roma. Studio sulla Sicilia di Verr. 2, 3 e sull'Egitto in epoca imperiale*;
- from 2002 to 2007 she was the editorial secretary of the magazine «Quaderni Catanesi di studi antichi e medievali», n.s., published in Catania (Reg. Tribunale Catania No. 526 of March 23, 1979);
- on 22 July 2004, she was declared the winner of the comparative evaluation for a post of university researcher for the scientific disciplinary sector L-ANT/03, *Roman History*, and was confirmed in the role starting from the first of February 2008 (DR 10/10 / 2008 No. 10833);
- from 2009 to 2012, she was a member of the teaching staff of the international PhD program in *Scienze umane* activated by the University of Catania;
- on 28 October 2014, after obtaining the unanimous opinion of the jury, she obtained the national scientific qualification for the function of second level university professor in the academic field for Italian university national recruitment 10/D1 (Ancient History);
- she is member of the *Consulta Universitaria di Storia Greca e Romana* (CUSGR) and of the *Istituto siciliano per la storia antica* - “Eugenio Manni”, as well as honorary member of the Scientific Society *Scuola Archeologica Italiana di Cartagine*;
- from 2016 to 2018, she was member of the teaching staff of the PhD program in *Scienze del patrimonio culturale*, activated by the University of Palermo in 2016;
- she is the contact person responsible for a collaboration agreement between the University of Catania and the “Valle dei Templi” Archaeological Park of Agrigento (years 2016-2018);
- in 2016 she was appointed scientific referent for a research grant (ERC SH6 sector, The study of the human past, subsector SH6 3) on the theme: “Storia, mito, poesia e la Sicilia in età arcaica”;

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- on 26 February 2018, she obtained the positive opinion of the committee appointed for the evaluation procedure for the call to second level university professor at the Catania University, whose deeds were approved with D.R. nr. 765 of 1 March 2018;
- on October 10, 2018 she received the highest number of votes in the election of representatives of teachers in the Joint Commission of the Department of *Educational Sciences* for the forefront of the four-year period 2016-2020 and was appointed a member of the same committee on October 29, 2018 (Presidential Decree, prot. no. 145802);
- from 2019 she is part of the editorial board of the journal «IVRA», published in Naples (Reg. Trib. Napoli nr. 862, 24 May 1955);
- from 2019 she is member of the teaching staff of the PhD program in *Processi formativi, modelli teorico-trasformativi e metodi di ricerca applicati al territorio*, activated by the University of Catania in the same year;
- since June 2020 she is the director of the “Bibliotheca Aperta – Studi di storia antica” series, published by “L'Erma di Bretschneider” (peer reviewed, in open access after 12 months from publication).

Research funding

- University Research Projects (Progetti di Ricerca d'Ateneo, PRA) of which Dr. Soraci was scientific manager:
 1. *La Sicilia provincia romana*, academic years 2004-2005;
 2. *La Sicilia dal I al IV secolo d.C.: produttività, scambi commerciali e contatti con Roma*, academic year 2006;
 3. *Reciprocità e comunione tra coniugi in epoca romana*, academic year 2007;
 4. *Riflessioni storico-comparative sul termine 'stipendiarius'*, academic year 2008.
- FiR Project (Finanziamento Ricerca di Ateneo - University Research Funding) 2014, of which Dr. Soraci was a member: *Biblioteca digitale romanistica (BD-Rom). Archivio elettronico della letteratura romanistica. Volumes IV e V.*

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- FiRD Project (Finanziamenti per la Ricerca Dipartimentale - Funding for Departmental Research) 2017/18, of which Dr. Soraci is a member: *Relazioni politico-istituzionali, economiche e socio-culturali nel Mediterraneo dall'antichità all'età contemporanea;*
- PIA.CE.RI. (PIAno di inCEntivi per la RIcerca di Ateneo) 2020/22, of which Prof. Soraci is a member: *A.Ma.Vi. – Autorità maschile e vissuti femminili tra storia e psicologia.*

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY

Dr. Cristina Soraci works and studies at the Department of *Educational Sciences* of the University of Catania.

Organization of scientific events

- International day of studies entitled: “Agrigento ellenistico-romana: coscienza identitaria e margini di autonomia” (Agrigento, 30 June 2016), in cooperation with the “Valle dei Templi” Archaeological Park of Agrigento, when she spoke about: “Identità e autonomia: per la storia di Agrigento ellenistico-romana”;
- international round table entitled “*Insula et numquam erga statum suum iuris idonei*: contributi alla storia della Sicilia romana” (Catania, 5 May 2017);
- series of seminars on the history of ancient Sicily (Catania, 16, 19 and 26 March 2018);
- presentation of the book “*Amicitia res plurimas continet*. Omaggio a Febronia Elia” (Catania, 3 May 2019);
- international conference entitled “Fiscalità ed epigrafia nel mondo romano” (Catania, 28-29 June 2019);
- interdisciplinary study day in memory of Monsignor Gaetano Zito entitled “Iulia Florentina e i martiri catanesi” (Catania, 8 February 2020), in collaboration with Elena Frasca.

Talks, interviews and seminars - third mission

- Talk on the theme: “La Sicilia, granaio di Roma” (19 April 2005, Catania, Università della terza età);
- talk on the theme: “Catania romana” (4 November 2015, Rotary Catania Est);
- written interview on the volume “Sicilia frumentaria. *Il grano siciliano e l’annona di Roma (V a.C.-V d.C.)*”, for the site *Lecture.org*, <https://www.lecture.org/sicilia-frumentaria-il-grano-siciliano-e-l-annona-di-roma-cristina-soraci/> (18 March 2017);

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- seminar entitled “Città siciliane privilegiate in epoca repubblicana” (8 June 2016, Palermo, Regional archaeological museum A. Salinas, at the invitation of the *Istituto siciliano per la storia antica* – Eugenio Manni);
- talk on the theme: “Gli splendori di Siracusa romana” (17 November 2017, Siracusa, Palazzo del Senato, at the invitation of the *Società siracusana di Storia Patria*);
- radio interview (Catania, 7 February 2018) on the round table “Iulia Florentina e il culto dei martiri catanesi”: <http://www.radiozammu.it/iulia-florentina-e-il-culto-dei-martiri-catanesi.htm>;
- participation in the round table on the topic: “Iulia Florentina e il culto dei martiri catanesi” (Catania, 9 febbraio 2019, organized by the Soprintendenza per i beni culturali e ambientali di Catania);
- talk on the theme: “Iulia Florentina e il culto dei martiri catanesi” at the fourth meeting of the training course entitled “Paesaggi del sacro tra memoria, storia e tradizione” (Catania, 24 May 2018);
- educational excursion, addressed to students of the primary school of Istituto comprensivo A. Malerba - plesso via Anfuso, entitled: “Ognina, un borgo intorno a me, tra passato e presente” (Catania, 11 May 2019 – UDA; <https://newsicilia.it/pubbliredazionali/listituto-malerba-alla-riscoperta-del-borgo-di-ognina/420715>);
- video interview in French at the Fifth Swiss Congress of Historical Sciences (Zurich, 6 June 2019; <https://www.infoclio.ch/node/151088#interviews>);
- lecture in English on the topic: “Roman Catania: on the trail of cultural and religious interaction” (Catania, 5 July 2019);
- educational tour in English on the topic: “NoRadica inter-religious sightseeing in Catania downtown” (Catania, 5 July 2019);
- participation in the “European researchers’ night - SHARPER” (Catania, 27 September 2019) with the activities entitled “Alla scoperta della nostra bandiera” and “Sulle tracce di Iulia Florentina”;
- video interview (Catania, 7 febbraio 2020), with Elena Frasca, on the interdisciplinary study day entitled “Iulia Florentina e i martiri catanesi”: https://www.facebook.com/radiozammu/videos/ai-nostri-microfoni-elena-frasca-e-cristina-soraci-sulla-giornata-interdisciplin/620591601841627/?so=_permalink&rv=_related_videos.

Participation in conferences as a speaker

- *I segni della memoria: quadri generali e contesti locali. Istituzioni, società e territorio* (Donnafugata-Modica-Ragusa Ibla, 1-4 October 2003), when she gave a talk about the subject: “*Frumenti subvectio: dalla Sicilia a Roma (I sec. a.C.)*”;
- *Nuove prospettive per la tarda antichità* (Matera, 18-20 May 2004), when she gave a talk about the subject: “Approvvigionamento e distribuzioni alimentari: considerazioni sul ruolo dei vescovi nel tardo impero”;
- *Poveri ammalati e ammalati poveri: dinamiche socio-economiche, trasformazioni culturali e misure assistenziali nell’Occidente romano in età tardoantica* (Palermo, 13-15 October 2005), when she gave a talk about the subject: “*Aegrotabat pauper corpore, mente dives*”;
- *Strumenti e tecniche della riscossione dei tributi nel mondo antico* (Florence, 6-7 December 2007), when she gave a talk about the subject: “Riflessioni storico-comparative sul termine *stipendiarius*”;
- *Il matrimonio dei cristiani: esegesi biblica e diritto romano* (Roma, 8-10 May 2008), International conference, when she gave a talk about the subject: “*Amor honestus solis animis: comunione morale e materiale tra coniugi in età imperiale*”;
- *La Villa restaurata e i nuovi studi sull’edilizia residenziale tardoantica* (Piazza Armerina, 7-10 November 2012), International conference, when she gave a talk about the subject: “La «ragguardevole proprietà» di Melania e Piniano: nuove ricerche”;
- *Fra Costantino e i Vandali*. Convegno internazionale di Studi per Enzo Aiello (1957-2013), Messina, 29-30 October 2014, when she gave a talk about the subject: “Da Costantino ai Vandali: aspetti di una visione provvidenzialistica della storia”;
- *Agrigento ellenistico-romana: coscienza identitaria e margini di autonomia*. Giornata internazionale di studi (Agrigento, 30 June 2016), when she gave a talk about the subject: “Identità e autonomia: per la storia di Agrigento ellenistico-romana”;
- *La città romana imperiale* (Potenza, 3-9 June 2017), Festival internazionale della città futura, when she gave a talk about the subject: “L’assetto politico e istituzionale delle città della Sicilia dall’età augustea al III sec. d.C.”;
- *Benefactors, dedicants and tomb owners. Society – iconography – chronology*. 15th Colloquium on Roman provincial art (Graz, 14-20 June 2017), when she gave a talk about the subject: “Donne, pane e annona nel mondo romano”;
- *Fiscality and Imperialism in the Middle Roman Republic* (Cambridge, December 11th-12th 2017), when she gave a talk **in English** about the subject: “To pay, or not to pay? People and taxation in the Middle Roman Republic”;

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- *La Sicile des Verrines, actualité de la recherche et des publications* (Paris, 21 avril 2018), when she gave a talk **in French** about the subject: “Cultes et politique dans la Sicile du I^{er} siècle av. J.-C.”;
- *Sguardi sulla Sicilia. Diodoro e Cicerone* (Venezia, 6-7 giugno 2018), when she gave a talk about the subject: “La geografia dell’isola nelle Verrine”;
- *Su pagine di carta e non soltanto: processi formativi, ambienti comunicativi e pratiche della lettura, dal tempo dell’oralità al tempo dell’iperconnessione* (Catania, 15-16 gennaio 2019), when she gave a talk about the subject: “*Pueris quae maxime ingenium alant atque animum augeant praelegenda: lettura e formazione nel mondo romano*”;
- *Fünfte Schweizerische Geschichtstage* (Zürich, 5.-7. Juni 2019), Panel: *Le partage des biens dans les communautés chrétiennes de l’Antiquité tardive : entre idéal et réalité (Occident latin, 4^e-6^e s.)*, when she gave a talk about the subject: “*Divites e comunione dei beni: ideali e realtà nelle fonti letterarie ed epigrafiche (IV-VI sec.)*”;
- *Mothering(s) and Religions: Normative Perspectives and Individual Appropriations. A Cross-Cultural and Interdisciplinary Approach from Antiquity to the Present*. International workshop (Erfurt, 16-17 July 2019), when she gave a talk **in English** about the subject: “Cornelia, the most conservative and transgressive mother of the Roman world”;
- *Dialogue versus radicalisation: challenges on the ground. NoRadica final conference* (Catania, 25 October 2019), when she gave a talk **in English** about the subject: “Resolving conflicts, learning dialogue: the role of the history of ancient Sicily” (Catania, 25 October 2019);
- *Iulia Florentina e i martiri catanesi. Giornata interdisciplinare di studi in memoria di Monsignor Gaetano Zito* (Catania, 8 February 2020), during which he gave the introductory speech, together with his colleague Elena Frasca, and an intervention on the theme “Il luogo di sepoltura di Iulia Florentina”.

Study period abroad

Dr. Soraci has attended, with permission of the teaching staff of the PhD program in *Storia dell’Europa mediterranea dall’antichità all’età contemporanea*, advanced courses held by prof. G. Weber at the University of Augsburg (Germany), on “Der römische Herrscherkult” and “Traum und Traumdeutung in der Antike” and carried out research at the Philologisch-Historische Fakultät of the same university in the months of May, June and July 2003.

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Teaching abroad

The undersigned was visiting professor from 24 to 28 February 2020 at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne as part of the Erasmus agreement signed with the same University.

TEACHING ACTIVITY

Teachings

- *Storia romana* in the Degree course in *Formatori di operatori turistici*, based in Piazza Armerina (by the academic year 2004/05 to 2007/08);
- *Storia della Sicilia antica* in the Degree course in *Formatori di operatori turistici*, based in Piazza Armerina (academic year 2004/05);
- *Storia greca* in the Master's degree in *Progettazione e gestione del turismo culturale*, based in Catania (academic year 2004/05);
- *Storia romana* in the Degree course in *Archeologia del Mediterraneo*, based in Enna (academic years 2006/07 e 2007/08);
- *Storia del cristianesimo* in the Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*, based in Catania (academic years 2008/09 e 2010/11).
- *Storia della Sicilia antica* in the Degree course in *Formatori di operatori turistici*, based in Catania, by the academic year 2009/10 to 2017/18;
- *Storia dell'infanzia nel mondo romano* in the Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*, based in Catania, by the academic year 2017/18 to today;
- *Storia romana* in the Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*, based in Catania, by the academic year 2018/19 to 2019/20;
- *Storia della Sicilia antica* in the Degree course in *Scienze del turismo*, based in Catania, by the academic year 2019/20.

Seminars held at foreign universities

- Seminar in French, entitled “L’engagement et le rôle de Grégoire le Grand dans la résolution des conflits”, addressed to the students of the Master en *Histoire générale* for teaching *Grégoire le Grand en son temps* (Année académique 2015-2016), Université de Genève (1 March 2016);
- lecture in German, entitled “Fremde Verwandte und feindseilig Freunde: die sizilianische Städte und die Beziehungen zu Rom”, addressed to the students of the Proseminar “Roms Expansion in Mittelmeerraum” (Kiel, 13 December 2019).

Seminars for international PhD students

- Seminars for students of the international doctorate in Human Sciences activated by the University of Catania, on the themes “La Sicilia, granaio di Roma” (16-17 June 2010) and “Nutrire gli affamati: motivazioni politiche, sociali e religiose nel mondo antico” (January 20, 2011);
- seminar in Spanish, entitled “Las distribuciones de pan en el imperio romano”, aimed at students of the *Europa y el Mundo atlántico: poder, cultura y Sociedad e Ciencias de la Antigüedad* (Vitoria Gasteiz, 10 October 2019): http://www.ehu.eus/letrapk/apk/bideoteka/index_es.php?bilaketa=&orria=108&ordena=ponale%20DESC (video recording);
- seminar in French, entitled “Les Siciliens et leurs rapports avec Rome au III^e siècle av. J.-C.”, addressed to doctoral students and students of the “Séminaire d’Histoire de la République romaine” (Paris, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, 26 February 2020);
- seminar in French, entitled “Les éruptions de l’Etna et des volcans éoliens”, aimed at doctoral students and students of the “Séminaire d’Histoire du monde hellénistique” (Paris, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, 27 February 2020).

Participation in commissions of international PhD

Member of the international commission called to evaluate the doctoral thesis of Andoni Llamazares Martín (PhD student in co-tutelage Universidad del País Vasco - Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne) on *La política fiscal romana en Sicilia y Cerdeña y sus consecuencias socioeconómicas: desde la segunda guerra púnica hasta Augusto / La politique fiscale romaine en Sicile et en Sardaigne et ses conséquences socio-économiques: de la deuxième guerre punique jusqu’à Auguste*, defended by the candidate on 10/7/20 in video-conference.

Participation in exam commissions

Dr. Soraci is

- chair of the exam commissions for the disciplines *Storia della Sicilia antica* (Degree

course in *Formatori di operatori turistici*), *Storia del cristianesimo* (Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*), *Storia dell'infanzia nel mondo romano* (Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*, curriculum *Educatore nei servizi per l'infanzia*), *Storia romana* (Degree courses in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*);

- member of the examination commissions for the disciplines *La provincia romana di Sicilia*, *La condizione femminile nel mondo romano e nel Medioevo*, *Storia delle istituzioni educative* (Master's degree in *Scienze pedagogiche*), *La Sicilia in età imperiale* (Master's degree in *Progettazione e gestione del turismo culturale*), *Letteratura latina*, *Lingua e letteratura latina*, *Grammatica latina* (Degree course in *Materie letterarie*), *Storia sociale e culturale del mondo romano* (Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*), *Storia romana* (Degree courses in *Educatore dell'infanzia* and *Formazione di operatori turistici*), *Storia dell'infanzia nel mondo romano* (Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*), *Storia della medicina antica* (Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*), *Storia della marginalità nel mondo romano* (Degree course in *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione*).

Supplementary teaching activity and service to students

Dr. Soraci is a tutor for the students enrolled in the degree course in *Formazione di operatori turistici*, as well as in charge of Erasmus agreements (2018-2021) with the Université Paris 1, Panthéon - Sorbonne (France) and with the “Goce Delčev” University of Štip (Macedonia).

She is also a member of the *Commissione tirocinio* for the degree courses in *Formazione di operatori turistici* (by the academic year 2007/08) and *Scienze dell'educazione e della formazione* (by the academic year 2018/19), as well as of the *Commissione per i bandi di tutorato senior* of the degree course in *Formazione di operatori turistici* (year 2018) e *Scienze del turismo* (years 2019 e 2020).