

Professor Piero Paolo Viazzo

Curriculum Vitae

Born in Vercelli (Italy), 4 December 1950.

A) STUDIES

1969-1975: studied Humanities at the Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia, University of Turin.

1975: first degree (*laurea*) in Humanities, *summa cum laude*.

1976-1978: attended a two-year postgraduate course in Social Anthropology at the Department of Anthropology, University College London.

1978: Postgraduate Diploma in Social Anthropology (with 'Mark of Credit').

1978-1983: research student in Social Anthropology at the Department of Anthropology, University College London.

1983: Ph.D. in Social Anthropology. The thesis (*Ethnic Change in a Walser Community in the Italian Alps*) was based on thirty months (1979-1981) of fieldwork carried out in the Italian Alps and supported by grants from the Folklore Fund of the University College London, the Italian National Research Council and the Central Research Fund, University of London.

B) RESEARCH AND TEACHING POSITIONS

1982-1989: Research Associate, Cambridge Group for the History of Population and Social Structure, University of Cambridge, U.K.

1989-1995: Director of Historical Research, Istituto degli Innocenti, Florence.

1995-2001: Associate Professor of Social Anthropology, Faculty of Humanities, University of Turin, and Director of the one-year postgraduate course (*Corso di Perfezionamento*) in Cultural Anthropology.

2001-2021: Full Professor of Social Anthropology, Faculty of Humanities (since 2012 at the Department of Cultures, Politics and Society), University of Turin.

2022- : Emeritus Professor of Social Anthropology, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin.

2001-2007: Chairman of the two-year postgraduate course (*Laurea specialistica*) in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology, University of Turin.

2007-2011: Director of the doctoral programme in Anthropological Sciences, Doctoral School of Human Sciences, University of Turin.

2011-2021: Member of the Council of the Doctoral School in Human and Social Sciences, University of Turin.

2011-2021: Member of the Teaching Staff of the doctoral programme in Psychological, Anthropological and Educational Sciences, University of Turin.

2012-2015: Deputy Director (Research), Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin.

2012-2018: Chairman of the three-year degree course in Intercultural Communication, University of Turin.

C) LEADING POSITIONS IN RESEARCH PROJECTS AND WORKING GROUPS

1992-1996: Co-ordinator of the “International Project on the Decline of Infant and Childhood Mortality in Europe”, promoted by the Istituto degli Innocenti, Florence, in collaboration with 14 research centres and university institutes in Europe and the United States.

1994- 1996: Co-ordinator of the international project “Child Labour in Historical Perspective”, promoted by UNICEF, ILO and the Istituto degli Innocenti, Florence.

2004-2007: Lead Researcher (Italy), project “Kinship and Social Security” (KASS), funded by the EU (Sixth Framework Programme) and co-ordinated by the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany.

2009-12: President of the Working Group “Demography and occupation”, implemented by the Alpine Convention.

2010-13: Lead Researcher of a project on population dynamics and cultural transmission in the Alpine area as part of the wider InterReg project ECHI (Italian-Swiss Ethnographies for the Valorisation of Immaterial Cultural Heritage).

2018-20: PI, CRT project “Studying and preventing bullying and juvenile cases in Piedmont”, funded by the Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Torino.

D) RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Alpine and Mediterranean anthropology.
- Anthropology of migration.
- Urban anthropology.
- The Anthropology of childhood.
- Historical anthropology.
- Family and kinship.
- Historical demography and family history.

E) PUBLICATIONS

- ***Author or editor of over 30 volumes including:***

Upland Communities. Environment, Population and Social Structure in the Alps since the Sixteenth Century, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1989 (2nd paperback edition 2006) [Italian edition: *Comunità alpine. Ambiente, popolazione, struttura sociale nelle Alpi dal XVI secolo a oggi*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 1990; 2nd revised and expanded Italian edition: Rome, Carocci, 2001; Slovene trans. *Alpske skupnosti. Okolje, prebivalstvo in družbena struktura*, Ljubljana, Studia Humanitatis, 2014].

- Child Labour in Historical Perspective, 1800-1985: Case Studies from Europe, Japan and Colombia*, ed. Hugh Cunningham and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Florence, UNICEF International Child Development Centre and Istituto degli Innocenti, 1996.
- The Decline of Infant and Child Mortality. The European Experience: 1750-1990*, ed. Carlo A. Corsini and Pier Paolo Viazzo, The Hague, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 1997.
- [Marco Aime, Stefano Allovio and Pier Paolo Viazzo] *Sapersi muovere. I pastori transumanti di Roaschia*, Roma, Meltemi, 2001, pp. 237.
- Introduzione all'antropologia storica*, Rome & Bari, Laterza, 2000 [Spanish trans. *Introducción a la Antropología Histórica*, Lima, Fondo Editorial de la Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, 2003].
- Più di un Sud. Studi antropologici sull'immigrazione a Torino*, ed. Paola Sacchi and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Milan, Franco Angeli, 2003.
- Oltre le mura domestiche. Famiglia e legami intergenerazionali dall'Unità d'Italia ad oggi*, ed. Alessandro Rosina and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Udine, Forum, 2008.
- South-Eastern Europe*, guest-edited by Silvia Sovič, Pat Thane and Pier Paolo Viazzo – special issue of *The History of the Family. An International Quarterly*, 19 (2), 2014, pp. 141-234.
- Discontinuità ambientali in età industriale*, guest-edited by Simonetta Grilli and Pier Paolo Viazzo – special issue of *Popolazione e Storia*, 15 (1), 2015, pp. 7-131.
- The History of the Family and Household in Europe*, ed. Silvia Sovič, Pat Thane and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Leiden & Boston, Brill, 2016.
- Patrimoni immateriali. Studi antropologici in due valli alpine del Piemonte*, ed. Laura Bonato and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Turin, Meti Edizioni, 2016.
- Como estudiar la diversidad familiar en América Latina: metodologías para un panorama anti-hegemónico*, guest-edited by Javier González Díez and Pier Paolo Viazzo – special issue of *Confluenze. Rivista di Studi Iberoamericani*, 8.1 (2016), pp. 1-183.
- La cultura dei minatori nelle Alpi* [= «La Ricerca Folklorica» 71], ed. Glauco Sanga and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Brescia, Grafo, 2016, pp. 5-248.
- Per forza o per scelta. L'immigrazione straniera nelle Alpi e negli Appennini*, ed. Andrea Membretti, Ingrid Kofler and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Rome, Aracne Editrice, 2017, pp. 300.
- Orizzonti diversi: Valli di Lanzo in movimento. Storie di migranti degli ultimi due secoli*, ed. Giancarlo Chiarle and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Lanzo Torinese, Società Storica delle Valli di Lanzo, 2021, pp. 223.
- Alta tensione. Spazi di confronto tra antropologia e istituzioni*, ed. Dario Basile and Pier Paolo Viazzo, Milan, Unicopli, 2022.

- Author of over 200 articles and book chapters including (since 2000):

- [Pier Paolo Viazzo, Maria Bortolotto and Andrea Zanotto] “Five centuries of foundling history in Florence: changing patterns of abandonment, care and mortality”, in *Abandoned Children*, ed. C. Panter-Brick and M.T. Smith, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2000, pp. 70-91.
- “Mortality, fertility, and family”, in *Family Life in Early Modern Times 1500-1789* (The History of the European Family: Volume 1), ed. D.I. Kertzer and M. Barbagli, New Haven & London, Yale University Press, 2001, pp. 157-187.
- “Mapping the territory of historical anthropology”, in *Menschen, Handlungen, Strukturen. Historisch-anthropologische Zugangsweisen in den Geschichtswissenschaften* («Opera Historica» 9), ed. V. Bůžek and D. Štefanová, České Budějovice, Editio Universitatis Bohemiae Meridionalis, 2001, pp. 7-25.

- [Pier Paolo Viazzo and Katherine A. Lynch] “Anthropology, family history, and the concept of strategy”, *International Review of Social History*, 47 (2002), pp. 423-452.
- “What’s so special about the Mediterranean? Thirty years of research on household and family in Italy”, *Continuity and Change*, 18 (2003), pp. 111-137.
- “Teaching and learning anthropology in Italy. Institutional development and pedagogic challenges”, in *Learning Fields*, vol. 1 (*Educational Histories of European Social Anthropology*), ed. D. Dracklé, I. Edgar and T. Schippers, Oxford, Berghahn Books, 2003, pp. 181-192.
- “Abandonment”, in *Encyclopedia of Children and Childhood [in History and Society]*, ed. P.S. Fass, vol. 1, New York, Macmillan, 2004, pp. 1-3.
- “South of the Hajnal line. Italy and Southern Europe”, in *Marriage and the family in Eurasia. Perspectives on the Hajnal hypothesis*, ed. T. Engelen and A.P. Wolf, Amsterdam, Aksant Academic Publishers, 2005, pp. 129-163.
- [Pier Paolo Viazzo, Marco Aime and Stefano Allovio] “Crossing the boundary: peasants, shepherds, and servants in a Western Alpine community”, *History of the Family Quarterly*, 10 (2005), pp. 387-405.
- “L’anthropologie en Italie: origines, développement institutionnel et orientations actuelles”, in *La Méditerranée des anthropologues. Fractures, filiations, contiguïtés*, ed. D. Albera and M. Tozy, Paris, Maisonneuve & Larose, 2005, pp. 199-213.
- “The self-sufficient household? An anthropological reconsideration of the Italian evidence”, *Revista de Demografia Histórica*, 24.2 (2006), pp. 89-110.
- “Frontiere e ‘confini’: prospettive antropologiche”, in *Confini e frontiere nell’età moderna. Un confronto tra discipline*, ed. A. Pastore, Milan, Franco Angeli, 2007, pp. 21-44.
- “Struttura e cultura: la storia della popolazione italiana tra demografia e scienze sociali”, *Popolazione e Storia*, 7.2 (2007), pp. 51-65.
- [Mariangiola Bodo and Pier Paolo Viazzo] “Note di demografia storica valdostana: la Valle del Lys tra XVIII e XIX secolo”, in *La Valle d’Aosta e l’Europa*, ed. Sergio Noto, Florence, Olschki, 2008, pp. 333-385.
- “La mobilità nelle frontiere alpine”, in *Migrazioni* («Storia d’Italia. Annali», vol. 24), ed. P. Corti and M. Sanfilippo, Turin, Einaudi, 2009, pp. 91-105.
- “Looking East. What can historical studies of Eastern countries contribute to current debates on commonalities and divergences in family, kinship and welfare provision in Europe, past and present?”, *Popolazione e Storia*, 9 (2), 2009, pp. 119-136.
- “Pastoral and peasant family systems in mountain environments: comparative evidence from the Italian Alps”, *Itinera*, 29 (2010), pp. 245-264.
- “Family, kinship and welfare provision in Europe, past and present: commonalities and divergences”, *Continuity and Change*, 25 (2010), pp. 137-159.
- [Pier Paolo Viazzo and Francesco Zanutelli] “Welfare as moral obligation: changing patterns of family support in Italy and the Mediterranean”, in *Family, kinship and state in contemporary Europe*, vol. 1 (*The century of welfare: eight countries*), ed. H. Grandits, Frankfurt & New York, Campus Verlag, 2010, pp. 47-92.
- “Macro-regional differences in European kinship culture”, in *Family, kinship and state in contemporary Europe*, vol. 3 (*Perspectives on theory and policy*), ed. P. Heady and M. Kohli, Frankfurt & New York, Campus Verlag, 2010, pp. 271-294.
- “‘Strutture demografiche e regioni culturali in Europa’. L’approccio macro-regionale allo studio di famiglia e parentela”, in *Scelte di famiglia. Tendenze della parentela nella società contemporanea*, ed. S. Grilli and F. Zanutelli, Pisa, Edizioni ETS, 2010, pp. 27-43.

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- [Paola Sacchi and Pier Paolo Viazzo] “Household and family”, in *A Companion to Mediterranean History*, ed. P. Horden and S. Kinoshita, Oxford, Blackwell, 2014, pp. 234-249.
- “Tribute to Rosemary Lois Harris”, *Urbanities. The Journal of IUAES Commission on Urban Anthropology*, 5.1 (2015), pp. 118-120.
- [Roberta C. Zanini and Pier Paolo Viazzo] “Il lavoro di miniera nelle Alpi: un’antica attività industriale tra realtà e rappresentazioni antagonistiche”, *Popolazione e Storia*, 15.1 (2015), pp. 117-131.
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- [Pier Paolo Viazzo and Javier González Díez] “Les « nouvelles formes de famille » en Italie. Entre convergences morphologiques et persistances culturelles”, *Ethnologie Française*, n.s., 16 [46], n. 2 (2016), pp. 219-228.
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- “Generation/Genealogy”, in *Glossary of Morphology*, ed. F. Vercellone and S. Tedesco, Cham (CH), Springer, 2020, pp. 215-216.
- “A scuola dall’antropologo. Rileggere *Il formaggio e i vermi* di Carlo Ginzburg, quarant’anni dopo (con una postilla di Carlo Ginzburg)”, *ANUAC. Rivista della Società Italiana di Antropologia Culturale*, 9.2 (2020), pp. 141-150.
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