

# LAURA SALZANO

Lecturer | Researcher in EU migration Law

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Languages: Italian (native), English (excellent), Spanish (excellent), French (basic)

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## Academic Positions

- **Lecturer – ESADE**

Jan 2026 – ongoing, Barcelona (ES)

- **Lecturer – Maastricht University**

Sept 2025 – Dec 2025, Maastricht (NL)

- **Research Assistant – Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology**

Jan 2025 – Oct 2025, Lampedusa and Calabria (Remote/IT)

- **Visiting Researcher – KU Leuven, Institute for European Law**

Oct 2024 – Dec 2024, Leuven (BE)

- **Lecturer in EU Law – Blanquerna University**

Feb 2024 – ongoing, Barcelona (ES)

- **Visiting Researcher – Radboud University, Centre for Migration Law**

Sept 2023 – Dec 2023, Nijmegen (NL)

- **Lecturer in EU & International Law – University of Barcelona**

Feb 2022 – Sep 2025, Barcelona (ES)

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## Consultancies

- Greens/EFA in the European Parliament (ongoing) – Report: “Reforming Frontex: Mapping Institutional Positions and Legal Issues”
  - EU Fundamental Rights Agency (2024–2025) – Role of FRA in the Migration Preparedness & Crisis Blueprint Network
  - Oxfam International (2024) – Report on the New Pact on Migration and Asylum
  - Government of Catalonia (2022) – Report on humanitarian corridors & safe pathways to Spain
  - City of Vic (2021) – Report on EU and Spanish migration and asylum law
  - European Parliament (2021)– EU Transparency rules
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## Socio-Legal Research & Fieldwork

- Italy (Lampedusa & other cities) (2025) – Field research coordination for Max Planck Institute
  - Nador, Morocco (2022) – Field research in the context of strategic litigation
  - Lesvos, Greece (2022) – Ph.D. research
  - Canary Islands, Spain (2021) – Ph.D. research
  - Lampedusa, Italy (2020) – Ph.D. proposal
  - European Parliament, Belgium (2018–2019) – L.L.M. dissertation research
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## Other Professional Experience

- **Legal Adviser – Council of Europe**

Sep 2022 – Nov 2022, Strasbourg (FR) – Frontex Consultative Forum; AI Convention.

- **Legal Officer – Stop Mare Mortum**

May 2021 – Sep 2023, Barcelona (ES) – Strategic litigation on legal pathways to Spain

- **Policy Advisor – European Parliament (LIBE Committee)**

Aug 2018 – Aug 2019, Brussels (BE) – Negotiator of migration-related legislative files.

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## Education

- **Ph.D. in European Union Law – University of Barcelona**

Sept 2020 – Nov 2025, Barcelona (ES) – Focus: Article 7 of Frontex Regulation: ‘Shared Responsibility’ – Highest grade awarded (Excellent cum laude)

- **LL.M. in European Law – University of Parma**

Sept 2017 – Apr 2019 – Thesis: NDICI Proposal & Return Directive

- **Diploma in Advanced European Studies – European College of Parma**

Nov 2016 – Sept 2017 – Focus: EU Law and Policies

- **Master’s Degree in Law – University of Messina**

Oct 2009 – Mar 2016 – Thesis: Effectiveness of EU Directives

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## Scholarships & Funding

- League of European Research Universities (2024) – Visiting Research, KU Leuven
- Research project ‘I+D’ on AFSJ ‘ELSEJUSTFREE’ (2023) – Visiting Research at Radboud University (NE)
- European Parliament/Queen Mary University/IDP Barcelona/GESDI (2022–2023) – SHARED Research Project
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) (2021) – Summer school ‘Borders in Digital Times’, European University Viadrina
- University of Barcelona (2021) – Ph.D. funding