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## CAMERON G. BECKETT

### education

**Ph.D., Sociology**, The University of Bologna, (2025)

Dissertation: *What We Can Learn From Eachother: A Multi-Sited Analysis of Lay Expertise and Caregiving for People Living with Alzheimer's and Dementia in Emilia-Romagna and the United States.*

Advisor: Dr. Antonio Maturo ([antonio.maturo2@unibo.it](mailto:antonio.maturo2@unibo.it))

**MA., Global Cultures**, The University of Bologna, (2021)

Thesis: *Policing Industrial Societies: Global Perspectives on Law Enforcement, Mass Production, and Scientific Management in Fascist Italy.*

Advisor: Dr. Marica Tolomelli ([marica.tolomelli@unibo.it](mailto:marica.tolomelli@unibo.it))

Honors/Result: 110 lode (Italy), summa cum laude (U.S.)

**BA., Sociology**, University of Toledo, (2018)

Thesis: *Graduate Student Employee Experiences and The Corporatized University.*

Advisor: Dr. Jerry Van Hoy ([jerry.vanhoy@utoledo.edu](mailto:jerry.vanhoy@utoledo.edu))

Honors/Results: Departmental Honors

### appointments & research experience

*TL1 Postdoctoral Fellow*, Center for Health and the Social Sciences  
& Department of Sociology, The University of Chicago  
(07/2025–present)

Mentor: Dr. Linda J. Waite

*Assegnista di Ricerca*, Department of Sociology and Business Law,  
Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna  
(10/2021–10/2024)

*Visiting Doctoral Researcher*, The University of Chicago  
(09/2023–05/2024)

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Linda J. Waite

*Research Assistant*, NORC at the University of Chicago  
(09/2023–05/2024)

*Visiting Graduate Fellow*. King's College London  
(09/2020–01/2021)

- publications** Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "The State and the Clinic: Migrant Narratives in Italy's Health-care System." *Current Sociology*. doi:10.1177/00113921251394719
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Beyond Burden: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Lay Expertise in Dementia Caregiving." *Innovation in Aging* 9(2). doi:10.1093/geroni/igaf122.330
- Beckett, Cameron and Antonio Maturo. 2023. "Big Data and Behavior-Based Insurance: What Europe May (Not) Borrow from the U.S." Pp. 57–74 in *Un modello Europeo? Itinerari dei diritti di welfare tra dimensione europea e nazionale*. Milan: FrancoAngeli.
- manuscripts under review** Beckett, Cameron. 2026. "Towards Caregiver Flourishing: A Framework for Sustainable Capacity in Dementia Care." Revise and Resubmit at *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* (revision submitted April 2026).
- Beckett, Cameron and Elisa Castellaccio. 2026. "When the Hand Stops: Body Work, Contradiction, and Corporeal Reorganisation in Male Dementia Caregiving." Under Review at *Sociology of Health & Illness*.
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "La lay expertise nel caregiving della demenza: ritmi e processi." Under Review at *Welfare e Ergonomia*.
- in preparation** Beckett, Cameron. 2026. "Whose Approval Matters? Legitimacy Portfolios and the Hidden Infrastructure of Informal Expertise." In Preparation for *American Journal of Sociology*.
- presentations** Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Beyond Burden: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Lay Expertise in Dementia Caregiving." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Gerontological Society of America*. Boston, MA.
- Beckett, Cameron. 2025. "Developing Lay Expertise in Informal Dementia Caregiving: An Integrative Qualitative Approach." Presented at the *Associazione Italiana di Sociologia*. Forlì.
- Beckett, Cameron. 2024. "Bridging Gaps: Integrating National Survey Data and Personal Narratives to Understand Informal Caregiver Burden and Self-Efficacy." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Gerontological Society of America*. Seattle, WA.
- Beckett, Cameron and Elisa Castellaccio. 2023. "What We Can Learn from Each Other: A Comparative Netnography of Caregivers for Family Members Living with

Alzheimer's and Related Dementias." Presented at the *Ethnography and Qualitative Research International Conference*. Trento.

Beckett, Cameron. 2022. "Migrant Narratives: Bureaucratic Barriers and Health Inequalities." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*. Los Angeles, CA.

#### teaching

*Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Health (Spring 2023)*

Department of Sociology and Business Law, The University of Bologna; Forlì, Italy

*Teaching Assistant, Health, Technology and Society (Fall 2022)*

Department of Sociology and Business Law, The University of Bologna; Bologna, Italy

*Instructor, Academic English and Sociology (Spring 2022)*

School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Cultural Heritage, The University of Padova; Padova, Italy

*Instructor, Academic English and Professional Writing (Fall 2021)*

Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences, The University of Bologna; Rimini, Italy

#### professional service

Peer Reviewer, *Social Science & Medicine*, Elsevier (01/2022–present)

Peer Reviewer, *Sociology of Health & Illness*, Wiley (2026–present)

Peer Reviewer, *The Gerontologist*, Oxford University Press (02/2026–present)

Editor, *Salute e Società*, FrancoAngeli Publishing (12/2021–present)

#### professional memberships

American Sociological Association (ASA), European Society for Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS), Associazione Italiana di Sociologia (AIS), Gerontological Society of America (GSA)

#### languages

English: Native Speaker

Italian: C1 – Listening, Reading, Spoken interaction, Spoken production, Writing