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I am currently doing my postdoc in neurolinguistics at the University of Udine. Within the project *ACTIVELY* (ACTIVE communication: Assessment and enhancement of pragmatic and narrative skills in hEaLthY aging), I am investigating the relationship between the ability to produce a narrative discourse and other cognitive skills such as executive functions.

Previously, I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Applied Interlinguistic Communication and my Master Degree in Specialised Translation and Conference Interpreting, both at the University of Trieste. During these five years, I could improve my knowledge of English, French and Spanish, and study translation and dialogue interpreting.

Later, I carried out a double PhD at the Universities of Udine-Trieste and at Sorbonne University in Paris. In my thesis, I studied Italian and French awareness campaigns promoted between 2018 and 2019 from a sociolinguistic point of view. That is to say, I adopted the approach of critical discourse analysis in order to examine the main linguistic, semantic, pragmatic and rhetoric features of these campaigns.

During my PhD, I took part in several international conferences and published three academic articles, concerning the application of critical discourse analysis both in awareness campaigns, and in media articles and interviews. Together with other PhD students, I also organised an international conference at the University of Udine. Later, we edited the volume containing the contributions presented at the conference.

