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FRANCE

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- Sociology of law, Courts & Legal Processes.
- Public Policy Analysis (policy feedback, state reform).
- Political Sociology.
- Comparative Politics.
- Comparison / comparative design.
- Qualitative & quantitative methods, mixed research design.

CURRENT POSITION

Since 2020 **Research Professor** (permanent, full-time research position, equivalent to Full Professor) **at the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), Department of Sociology and Political Science**, affiliated with Sciences Po Bordeaux & the Emile Durkheim Center.

PAST POSITIONS

- 2008-20 **CNRS Associate Researcher** (permanent, full-time research position equivalent to Associate Professor), affiliated with Sciences Po Bordeaux.
- 2007-08 **Postdoctoral Researcher, Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan, Paris, France** (ENS Cachan, now: ENS Paris Saclay). Grant from the Regional Council of Ile-de-France.
- 2005-07 **Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University, Paris & Versailles-Saint-Quentin University.**
- 2001-05 **PhD fellow & lecturer in Sociology**, Department of Social Sciences, ENS Cachan.

VISITING SCHOLAR

- Nov. 2015 University of Playa Ancha, Sociology Department, Chili. *Fundecit* funding.
- Dec. 2011 *Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana*, Mexico, Sociology Department (28h course).
- 2009, 2001 Milano University, Italy, Law Department (in 2001, grant from the ministry of Research).
- 2003 3 month-stay in Roma, Italy (qualitative survey). (International Price Award, ENS Cachan).
- 2002 Facultés Saint-Louis, Brussels, Department of Political Science (3 months, qualitative survey). (International Price Award, ENS Cachan).
- June 2001 Research Visit, *International Institute of Sociology of Law*, Onati (Basque Country, Spain).

EDUCATION

- 2019 **Accreditation to supervise research** (Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches), **Sciences Po**, Paris, France (the highest national diploma of Higher Education in France; supervisor: Philippe Bezes).
- 2001-05 **PhD in Sociology, ENS Cachan, Paris, France** (grant from the French Ministry of Education): *Sociologie politique comparée des réformes de la justice. Cas de la Belgique, de la France et de l'Italie* [A Comparative Political Sociology of Judicial Reforms. Belgium, France and Italy], supervised by Jacques Commaille.
- 2001 **Master in Sociology & Political Science**, Summa cum laude, ENS Cachan.
- 2000 **Agrégation of Social Sciences** (highly competitive exam for the recruitment of French secondary school teachers in Sociology, History and Economics).
- 1997-2001 **Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan** (Department of Social Sciences).
- 1999: Master in political sociology & sociology of work (Magna cum laude), Paris Nanterre University.
- 1998: BA, Sociology, Magna cum laude & BA, Economics, cum laude, Paris Nanterre University.
- 1994-97 Preparatory class (hypokhâgne et khâgne B/L) for the entrance at the ENS Cachan. Admitted in 1997.

RESEARCH

My research deals with 3 main topics:

1) With 3 colleagues I analyzed **the French citizen perceptions and experiences of the civil and criminal justice system**, depending on class, gender, race/ethnicity and political orientation (roles assigned to law, courts & law professions; inequalities before the law and the judicial system; legal decision-making, expert and lay judgment, what is a just and fair sentence?...). From a theoretical perspective, the research is also in line with legal consciousness studies. It opens discussions with scholarship on policy feedback, procedural justice and law & emotion. The results of this mixed method (focus groups, quantitative survey) research were published as a book in Sept. 2022 and I am preparing articles in English.

2) I studied **the reform processes taking place in the judicial systems in France, Belgium and Italy from the 1990s**: the mobilizations of law professionals as interest groups to overcome several veto players in the lawmaking processes; relations between justice and politics; the entrenchment of a managerial logic and instruments based on bottom up and national top down initiatives (book published in 2018, another original manuscript of my *Habilitation à diriger des recherches* in 2019, and peer-review articles such as in *Comparative Political Studies*). The research was based on interviews with magistrates and clerks, observations of their concrete work from the perspective of political sociology, sociology of professions and public policy analysis. I also published a special issue about judicial politics in *Law and Social Inquiry*.

3) I analyzed **parliaments and elected people** regarding their conceptions of democracy & representation, their roles & values, their participation to the lawmaking (article published in the *Journal of Legislative Studies*). Much of my research **compares citizen's, professionals' or elected people's point of view**. It is characterized by **an interdisciplinary approach** (sociology, political science, law) and based on mixed research design: qualitative (in-depth individual interviews, focus groups, observations) and quantitative (regressions with colleagues; factorial & cluster analysis). Finally, I have always been **very much interested in how to do comparative research in the social sciences** (I wrote a methodological book in 2005) **and how transfer processes of managerial tools or scientific concepts occur**: from the private to the public sector, from one country to another...

Research grants (selection)

Coordination (lead Principal investigator)

NB: I only mention the budget allocated to my laboratory.

- 2017-21 **"Citizen's perceptions and experiences of the civil and criminal justice"** (JustiRep Project). Grants from DIM-quantis SHS, Sciences Po, Paris (ELIPSS panel) & from the Justice Research Institute, 70 000 euros.
- 2013-16 "Legal Systems challenged by a Managerial Approach. International Circulations of Professionals and Instruments" (ManaJustice project), grant from the Regional Council of Aquitaine, 180 000 euros.
- 2008-11 "Judicial Temporalities challenged by a Managerial Approach", Justice Research Institute ("Mission de recherche Droit et Justice", CNRS / French Ministry of Justice), 25 000 euros. Sole PI.

Participation (selection)

- 7th Feb 2023 Submission of the LEXIS Project to the Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SHRC) about citizen participation to lawmaking, coord. Pierre Noreau, Montreal University, Canada.
- 2021-24 **Unequal Citizens Project, "Inequalities and conceptions of the political system in European democracies"**, coord. Camille Bedock (Associate Researcher, CNRS). Grant from the French National Research Agency (ANR).
INEGAPOL Project "Inequalities and conceptions of the political system: understanding the gap between elected and citizens. A comparison between Italy and France", coord. C.Bedock, grant from the Regional Council of Nouvelle-Aquitaine.
Mixed research design: interviews with both citizens and elected, and quantitative survey.
- 2009-12 "Parliamentary Legitimation and democratic government in France and in the European Union", Grant from the French National Research Agency (dir. Olivier Costa). Questionnaires & interviews.
- 2012-13 "The French Criminal System: An Assessment about the new criminal court processing" (dir. Jean Danet), Grant from the French Research Agency. Creation of a data base from court records & interviews.
- 2004-09 Research on the law-making process, French Ministry of Research Grant (dir. Claire de Galember).

Organization of scientific meetings (selection)

- 2021 "Justice and IA", French Political Science Association Meeting (AFSP), Nanterre, France (2 panels, 4 hours each, with L. Dumoulin).
- 2019 Section "Comparing experiences and perceptions of the professionals and the public of public services, AFSP conference, Bordeaux, France (2 panels, with L. Dumoulin, 9 communications).
- 2018 Conference "Criminal institutions: the public point of view" (with J. Gauthier), AFSP standing group on "Political Studies on Criminal Issues", Paris, EHESS (9 communications).
- 2017 Conference "Gender, participation and political & administrative carriers", Sciences Po Bordeaux (5 com.).
- 2017 & 15 Sociology of Law Section, 6 panels, French Sociological Association (AFS) conferences (A. Revillard).
- 2016 Workshop between 2 research programs on the judicial system and its publics, in Quebec (coord. P. Noreau, Montreal University, Canada) and France (ManaJustice, coord. C. Vigour).
- 2014 Panel "Judicial Reforms and Public Administration: a street-level bureaucrat perspective", Courts & Judicial Politics" section, European Conf. on Political Research (ECPR), Glasgow, UK (with J. Hersant).
- 2013 & 2009 Convenor of an international Summer School on Comparative Methods, Biarritz, France. 14 nationalities among the 40 participants.
- 2010 International Conference on Parliamentary Debates, Paris (with O. Rozenberg & C. de Galembert).
International Conference "Selective affinities, friendship and obligations in the investigations in sociology and political science: fieldwork in a comparative perspective", Freiburg-im-Breisgau, Germany (Grant of the French-German University, with J. Hersant & G. Dequirez).
- 2007 Workshop on "Policy Transfers", AFSP Conference, Toulouse, France (with T. Delpuech).

Institutional responsibilities

Responsibilities in Sciences Po Bordeaux & Bordeaux University

Since 2022 Member of the **Graduate School Board** (ESP2), Bordeaux University.

Since 2021 Elected member: **Scientific Board, Sciences Po Bordeaux.**

Laboratory council, Emile Durkheim Center.

2014-17 **Executive Board, Sciences Po Bordeaux.**

Responsibilities & community service in France

2022-23 Member of 2 working groups, French Ministry of Justice: preparation of the 2024 survey on litigants (five 3 hours-meetings); group on Law Professions Identity, Research Institute on Law & Justice (ten 3 h).

Since 2014 Member of five recruitment committees for an Associate Professor: department of political science or Sociology department, Versailles University (2018) and Sciences Po Bordeaux (2021, 2018); Sciences Po, Paris (2014); Strasbourg University (2014).

2018 Appointed member, Sciences Po Career Assessment Committee, Paris.

2012-16 Appointed member, Scientific Committee for Political science and Sociology (section 40) of the CNRS.

2012 Member, AERES evaluation committee of a research center.

Co-chair of scientific networks

2018-2023 Standing Group on "Norms and law", French Political Science Association with L. Dumoulin (PACTE).

2013-2017 Sociology of Law Section, French Sociological Association (AFS), with A. Revillard & V. Chappe.

2014-2017 Seminar "Legitimacy, Organizations and Representations", Emile Durkheim Center (6 sessions / year).

Scientific expertise on research projects in other European countries (since 2011)

For the Belgium, Swiss & Luxembourg National Scientific Research Fonds; the Université Libre de Bruxelles...

Editorial activity

Since 2007, referee for the following reviews: *British Journal of Political Science*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *Journal Southeastern Europe*, *Contemporary Italian Politics*, *Revue Internationale de Politique Comparée*, *Gouvernement et action Publique*, *Critique internationale*, *Droit et société*, *Politique et sociétés*, *Sociologie du travail*, *Politique Européenne*, *Method(e)s*, *L'année du Maghreb* (1 to 7 reviews per year, 8 en 2022).

2015-16: Member of the young author award jury, *Sociologie du travail* (review of 7 articles).

2001-08: Member of the editorial board, *Terrains & Travaux* (<http://www.cairn.fr>).

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE & UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

- Since 2017 8 master students (3 in law in Paris2-University, sociology or pol. science in Bordeaux).
- Since 2015 **3 postdocs in sociology.**
- Since 2014 **4 PhD Students** in sociology (1) and political science (3).
Participation to 8 thesis monitoring committee in sociology, pol. science & law (including 2 in Belgium).
Supervision of 14 bachelor students in sociology or political science (3d year).
- Since 2012 **Participation in 16 PhD defence committees** (8 in political science including 1 in Switzerland, 7 in sociology, 1 in law).

TEACHING (selection)

Between 50 to 75 hours / year since 2008.

About law and justice

- “**Justice: sociological perspectives**”, **Master, Paris 2-Assas University**, 12 hours / year, since 2021.
- 7 seminar courses on my researches, **National School for Magistracy/ Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature (ENM)**, Bordeaux or Paris (3h since 2008).

Courses on Comparative Methods (selection)

- Comparison in the social sciences, since 2021, 18h, Master, univ. Bordeaux, sociology department.
- Comparative research strategies, 15 h, PhD, with I.Guinaudeau: Sciences Po Bordeaux, 2020; Univ. Geneva, Switzerland, 2018.
- 2 or 3 short seminar courses (3 h) in Master or PhD program in different universities each year.
- Practices & methods of comparison, 6h, Master Class, PhD Program in Political Science, Univ. of Geneva, 2016.
- *Visiting Professor, Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana, Mexico*, 2011 (courses in English, 28 hours). Comparative Research Strategies in the Social Sciences. Issues, Methods and Practice.
- Invited Speaker by the Codesria, Council for the Development of Social Sciences Research in Africa:
 - ° Comparative Research Networks, Dakar, Senegal, 2008 (English & French, 16h).
 - ° Workshops on comparison & academic writing during the Summer School of Qualitative Methodologies, master, Oran, Algeria, 2007 (16h).
- Comparison in Social Sciences, Master, ENS Cachan, 10h, 2001-2005.

Academic writing workshops

- Master dissertation tutoring (sociology, political science) since 2019, Bordeaux Univ. & Sciences Po Bordeaux, 12h.
- Writing Workshop in sociology, Sciences Po Bordeaux research centres since 2012, 22h.

Quantitative Methods in social sciences (selection)

- Statistics: from their making to their interpretation, MA, UVSQ, 27h, 2006-07; BA, Univ. Paris-Sorbonne, 21h & 18h, 2005-07.
- Quantitative methods (use of SAS software), lectures & tutorials, Master, ENS Cachan, 40h, 2002-2005.

METHODOLOGICAL, COMMUNICATION & LINGUISTIC SKILLS

Computer & methodological skills

- Training and practice of Stata, SPAD (factorial & cluster analysis), SAS (Statistical Analysis System), Alceste (a lexical analysis software). Word, Excel.
- Training and practice of focus groups, mixed-research design & visual sociology.
- Initiation to R software (2 days), Network Analysis (Pajek, Ucinet), N-vivo, Optimal Matching Analysis...

Research dissemination

- Participation to a research film workshop: how to conceive a documentary film based on scientific research (7 days, 7 hours each, March to June 2021).
- Since 2021, 10 interviews with journalists from French national journals or magazines (*Le Monde, Libération, Alternatives économiques, Télérama, L'Humanité...*) or radios (France culture). Participation to 3 radio debates on France-Culture and Radio France International; conferences on youtube...

Languages: English, Italian: read, written & spoken (ability to do empirical fields in those languages; TOEFL: 270 / 300 in 2000). German: read & written.

PUBLICATIONS

In total: **4 monographs; 6 edited volumes and special issues in international journals; 20 papers in peer-reviewed journals; 17 contributions in edited volumes; 12 communications as invited speaker** in France or abroad (Belgium, Germany).

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- (1st author, with B. Cappellina, L. Dumoulin & V. Gautron) *La justice en examen. Attentes et expériences citoyennes*, Paris, Puf, 2022, 436 p. [Justice under scrutiny. Citizens' expectations and experiences]
- *La justice à l'épreuve de la gestion publique. Sociologie de la gestionnarisation des organisations publiques* [The judicial system confronted to new public management. A sociology of public organization management], Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches, Sciences Po, Paris, 2019, 365 p.
- *Réformes de la justice en Europe. Entre politique et gestion*, Louvain-La-Neuve, De Boeck Supérieur, 2018, 336 p. [Judicial reforms in Europe. Between politics and management]
- *La comparaison dans les sciences sociales. Pratiques et méthodes*, Paris, La Découverte, Guides Repères, 2005, 335 p. [The Comparison in the Social Sciences. Practice and Methodology].

Edited volumes (1) and special issues (5)

- *Law and Social Inquiry*, special issue "Judicial Politics on the Ground", 42(2), 2017 (6 articles, 240 p., with J. Hersant; <https://doi.org/10.1111/lsi.12306>).
- Special subsection "Political Fieldwork Experiences. Elective affinities, friendship and obligations in a comparative perspective", *Current Sociology*, 61 (5-6), 2013, p. 646-692 (3 articles, with G. Dequierez & J. Hersant, <http://csi.sagepub.com/content/current>).
- (with C. de Galembert & O. Rozenberg) *Faire parler le parlement. Méthodes et enjeux de l'analyse des débats parlementaires pour les sciences sociales*, Paris, LGDJ, 2013 (340 p, 17 chap.).
- Ce que comparer veut dire. Les démarches comparatives en sciences sociales, *Terrains et Travaux*, 21, 2012 (10 articles, with L. de Verdalle & T. Le Bianic, <https://doi.org/10.3917/tt.021.0005>).
- "Policy transfers", *Critique Internationale*, 48, 2010, p. 9-133 (6 articles, with L. Dumoulin & T. Delpuech, <https://doi.org/10.3917/cii.048.0005>).
- "La fabrique de l'Europe", *Terrains & travaux*, 8, 2005 (10 articles with C. Vincensini, <https://doi.org/10.3917/tt.008.0003>).

Journal Articles (20 with peer review, selection)

- (with B. Cappellina) Accès et recours différenciés au droit et aux tribunaux civils [Differential access to law and civil justice. Legal consciousness and types of judicial reception], *Droit et société*, 106, special issue „Unequal Litigants“, 2020, p. 603-22, <https://doi.org/10.3917/drs1.106.0603>.
- (with L. Dumoulin) Emotions, droit et politique. Bilans et perspectives interdisciplinaires [Emotion, law & politics. Interdisciplinary perspectives], *Droit et société*, 105, 2020, p. 453-72, <https://doi.org/10.3917/drs1.105.0453>.
- L'indépendance des magistrats, une approche comparée, *Les Cahiers Français*, La Documentation Française, special issue "Quelle justice au XXIe siècle ?", 416, 2020, p. 74-81.
- (with J. Hersant) „Judicial politics on the ground“, *Law and Social Inquiry*, 42(2), 2017, p. 292-297, <https://doi.org/10.1111/lsi.12306>.
- Professions in Policy and Knowledge Transfer: Adaptations of Lean Management, and Jurisdictional Conflict in a Reform of the French Public Service, *International Journal of Sociology*, 45, 2015, p. 112-132, <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00207659.2015.1061855?journalCode=mjjs20>.
- Managérialisation de la justice pénale et accélération des temps judiciaires, *Cahiers de la Sécurité et de la justice* (special issue ed. by J. de Maillard), 32, 2015, p. 51-59.
- Veto Players and Interest Groups in Lawmaking. A Comparative Analysis of Judicial Reforms in Italy, Belgium and France, *Comparative Political Studies*, 47, 2014, p. 1891-918, <https://doi.org/10.1177/0010414013517082>.
- French MPs and Law-making: Deputies' activities and citizens' perceptions, *Journal of Legislative Studies*, 19 (2), 2013, p. 219-45, special issue on Parliamentary Representation in France, <https://doi.org/10.1080/13572334.2013.787199>.

- (with T. Le Bianic & L. de Verdalle) S'inscrire dans une démarche comparative. Enjeux et défis, *Terrains et travaux*, 21, 2012, p. 5-21, <https://doi.org/10.3917/tt.021.0005>.
- Politiques et gouvernements fédéraux en Belgique, entre contraintes coalitionnelles et logiques de compromis, *Politix*, 2009, p. 63-86, special issue "Coalitions partisanses", <https://doi.org/10.3917/pox.088.0063>.
- Professional identities and legitimacy challenged by a managerial approach: the Belgian judicial system, *Sociologie du travail*, 2009, 51, suppl. 2, 2009, p. 136-154, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.soctra.2009.06.025>.
- Politique et magistrats dans les réformes de la justice en Belgique, en France et en Italie, *Revue Française d'Administration Publique*, 125 (1), 2008, p. 21-31 [Politics and magistrates in judicial reforms in Belgium, France and Italy], <https://doi.org/10.3917/rfap.125.0021>.
- Justice: l'introduction d'une rationalité managériale comme euphémisation du politique [Justice : the emergence of a managerial rationality as euphemization of politics], *Droit et société*, 63-64, 2006, p. 425-455, <https://doi.org/10.3917/drs.063.0425>.
- Réformer la justice en Europe : analyse comparée des cas de la Belgique, de la France et de l'Italie [Reforming justice in Europe. Comparative Analysis of Belgium, France and Italy], *Droit et société*, 56-57, 2004, p. 291-325, <https://doi.org/10.3917/drs.056.0291>.
- Shoah et cinéma, *Terrains & travaux*, 3, 2002, p. 38-62.

Book Chapters (17, selection)

- Capítulo 9 : Ação Pública e direito (with T. Delpeuch), in P. Hassenteufel, O. Porto de Oliveira, *Sociologia Política da Ação Pública: Teorias, abordagens e conceitos*, ENAP, Brasil, 2021, p. 174-200.
- Création et changements institutionnels (with T. Delpeuch), in L. Bousaguet & al. (dir.), *Dictionnaire des Politiques Publiques*, Paris, Presses de Science Po, 2019, p. 196-200 (5th édition, new notice).
- Les représentations sociales des peines en France. Une approche par entretiens collectifs (with V. Gautron), in D. Bernard & K. Ladd (dir.), *Les sens de la peine*, Edition des Facultés Saint-Louis, Brussels, 2019, p. 61-101.
- On a soif d'idéal ! Des critiques à la hauteur des attentes des citoyens (with L. Dumoulin), in S. Amrani-Mekki (dir.), *Et si on parlait du justiciable du XXI^e siècle ?*, Paris, Dalloz, 2019, p. 29-81.
- Les rôles, valeurs et représentations des parlementaires (with O. Rozenberg), in O. Rozenberg, E. Thiers (dir.), *Traité d'études parlementaires*, Brussels, Bruylant, 2018, p. 395-434.
- Lean Management in French State and Judicial System. Resistance and Reform, in M. Hadjiisky, L. Pal & C. Walker (eds.), *Public Policy Transfer. Micro-Dynamics and Macro-Effects*, Edward Elgar, 2017, p. 51-78.
- La représentation parlementaire en France. Ressources politiques, diversité des modes et logiques de représentation à l'Assemblée nationale, in A. Mazeaud (dir.), *Pratiques de la représentation politique*, Rennes, PUR, 2014, p. 81-98.
- Faire parler ou faire taire le parlement ? Les débats en assemblées politiques, des objets encore méconnus et paradoxaux (with C. de Galembert, O. Rozenberg), in C. de Galembert & al. (dir.), *Faire parler le Parlement*, Paris, LGDJ, 2013, p. 9-19.
- Les débats parlementaires : un levier de connaissance sur le politique. Enjeux du dialogue entre méthodes et théories, in C. de Galembert & al. (dir.), *Faire parler le Parlement*, Paris, LGDJ, 2013, p. 311-28.
- L'économie budgétaire de la justice pénale (1st author with A. Hastings-Marchadier), in J. Danet, *La réponse pénale. Approche pluridisciplinaire du traitement des délits*, Rennes, PUR, 2013, p. 422-94.
- Choix politiques et inertie des dépenses dans la justice (1980-2010), in P. Bezes & A. Siné, *Gouverner (par) les finances publiques*, Paris, Presses Sciences Po, 2011, p. 453-91.
- Comparison, a Founding Approach in the Social Sciences, in J-B. Ouedraogo, *Readings in Methodology*, Dakar, Codesria, 201, p. 197-226.

CONFERENCES (selection)

Law and Society Conference, International Sociological Association (including specific conferences of the *Research Committee on Sociology of Law*, and *Sociology of Work*), *International Conference on Public Policy* (ICPP), *ECPR Conference*, conference of the *International Association of Francophone Sociologists* (AISLF), *European Group on Organization Studies*. And also in Germany, in Belgium. In France, conferences organized by the *French Political Science Association*, and *French Sociological Association*...