

EMPLOYMENT

Present	Assistant professor (RTDa), Department of Communication and Economy, University of Modena & Reggio Emilia, Italy
22/05/2025	
21/05/2025	Research fellow , Department of Communication and Economy, University of Modena & Reggio Emilia, Italy
16/12/2024	
30/09/2025	Lecturer , Faculty of Economic, Social and Political Sciences, University of Louvain, Belgium
01/10/2024	
30/09/2024	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow
01/10/2021	Columbia University, United States University of Modena & Reggio Emilia, Italy
30/09/2021	Lecturer , Faculty of Economic, Social and Political Sciences, University of Louvain, Belgium
01/10/2020	
30/09/2021	Research fellow , funded by the Action Concertée de Recherche (ARC) and Fonds Spéciaux de la Recherche (FSR). University of Louvain (Girsef- IACCHOS), Belgium
01/10/2015	
31/03/2013	Teaching assistant , Faculty of Law, Hogeschool Universiteit Brussel, Belgium
01/04/2011	
31/03/2011	Teaching assistant , Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, KU Brussel, Belgium
01/04/2005	

EDUCATION

30/04/2020	Doctor in Political and Social Sciences , University of Louvain (UCL), Belgium
18/12/2015	Dissertation: <i>Observing transnational education. Steps towards a morphology of world society</i>
03/07/2004	Postgraduate master in Cultures and Development Studies , University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium
01/10/2003	
02/07/2003	Master in Sociology , University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium
01/10/2001	
29/06/2001	Bachelor in Political and Social Sciences , University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium
01/10/1999	

OBTAINED RESEARCH FUNDING

15/10/2025	<i>Impact des outils numériques sur le climat scolaire en Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles</i> Public contract awarded by Belgium's Ministry of Education (FWB), with Eric Mangez, app. €100.000.
07/05/2025	<i>Learning Machines: Platforms, School, and the Algorithmic Management of Learning</i> (LEARNING MACHINES) "Young Researchers-MSCA" three-year research follow-up grant awarded by Italy's Ministry for University and Research (Grant ID MSCA2024_0000031), app. €300.000.
08/02/2021	<i>EdTech and the birth of platform education: An ethnographic account of a start-up in the age of global education</i> (MORPHOGENESIS) MSCA Global Fellowship, three-year research grant awarded by the Research Executive Agency of the European Commission (Grant ID 101032759), app. €269.000.

FELLOWSHIPS AND VISITING POSITIONS

Present 01/10/2022	Affiliate, Center on Organizational Innovation, Department of Sociology, Columbia University, United States
Present 01/10/2025	External collaborator, Groupe interdisciplinaire de Recherche sur la Socialisation, l'Éducation et la Formation (Girsef), UCLouvain, Belgium
30/09/2026 01/07/2026	Visiting scholar, Kwansei Gakuin University & Kobe University, Japan
30/09/2024 01/10/2021	Postdoctoral Fellow, International & Comparative Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, United States
30/09/2023 01/10/2021	Visiting scholar, Department of Sociology, Columbia University, United States.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

	comprehension	writing	speaking
Italian	proficient (C2)	proficient (C1)	proficient (C2)
English	proficient (C2)	proficient (C2)	proficient (C1)
Dutch	mother tongue	mother tongue	mother tongue
French	proficient (C2)	proficient (C1)	proficient (C1)
German	proficient (C1)	basic (A1)	basic (A1)
Spanish	proficient (C1)	basic (A2)	basic (A1)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor/Lecturer

2026-present	<i>Teorie della comunicazione and Piani editoriali per la comunicazione digitale</i> (6 ECTS - MSc Management & Business Communication, UNIMORE)
2024-2025	<i>Histoire des débats en sociologie et en anthropologie</i> (8 ECTS - BSc Social Sciences UCLouvain)
2020-2021	<i>Sociologie et anthropologie des mondes contemporains</i> (5 ECTS - BSc Engineering & BSc Economic Sciences, UCLouvain)

Guest lecturer (selection)

2021-present	<i>Summer School in European Education Studies (SUSEES)</i>
2025-2026	<i>Winter School "Walking through the platform"</i> (University of Naples)
2024-2025	<i>Sociologia Generale</i> (BSc Education, UNIMORE)
2022-2023	<i>Politiques, Acteurs, Décisions</i> (MSc Social Sciences, UCLouvain)
2021-2022	<i>Platform Economy, Society & Culture</i> (MSc Interdisciplinary Methodologies, University of Warwick)
2021-2022	<i>Proposal Writing for Doctoral Students</i> (International and Comparative Education, Columbia University)

Teaching assistant

2005-2013	<i>Sociologie</i> (3 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences & BSc Law, KUBrussel) <i>Sociologisch atelier</i> (2 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel) <i>Sociologische theorieën</i> (5 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel) <i>Sociologisch leeronderzoek</i> (5 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel) <i>Methodologisch atelier</i> (5 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel)
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MENTORING EXPERIENCE

2017-2021	PhD thesis "Analyse de la Méthode Ouverte de Coordination en éducation - Redéfinition et expansion des frontières du politique," Vivien Gain (UCLouvain) doctoral mentoring
2015-2016	<i>MSc thesis co-supervisor and examiner</i> (three students) UCLouvain, Belgium.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Ongoing	Board Member of <i>European Educational Research Journal</i> Editorial Assistant for <i>Sociologica</i> Reviewer for <i>Big Data & Society</i> <i>Critical Studies in Education</i> <i>Educational Philosophy and Theory</i> <i>European Educational Research Journal</i> <i>Comparative Education Review</i>	<i>Journal of Education Policy</i> <i>Learning, Media & Technology</i> <i>Scuola Democratica</i> <i>The American Sociologist</i> <i>EERA NW 28</i>
2025- 2026	Vice-chair for the <i>Research Executive Agency</i> of the European Commission, call MSCA, section doctoral networks	
2025- 2026	Expert-evaluator for the <i>Research Executive Agency</i> of the European Commission, call Horizon Europe, cluster 2.	
2021	Special Issue Editor for <i>European Educational Research Journal</i> Book Editor for a Collective Volume (Routledge)	
2020	Special Issue Editor for <i>Educational Philosophy and Theory</i>	
2018	Expert-evaluator for <i>Epos</i> , National Agency for the Erasmus+ programme in Flanders.	
2015	Expert-evaluator for the <i>Research Executive Agency</i> of the European Commission, call Horizon2020, section Inclusive, Innovative and Reflective Societies	
2013	Expert-evaluator for the <i>Research Executive Agency</i> of the European Commission, call FP7, section socio-economic sciences and humanities	

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

Organiser (with Mathieu Berger) of an international workshop "Bypassing Interaction" at the University of Modena & Reggio Emilia, on 28-29/07/2024, Reggio Emilia.

Organiser (with Tore Bernt Sørensen) of a symposium "Re-articulating the form of the political: Education governance in the European Union" held at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 06/09/2019, Hamburg.

Organiser (with Mathias Decuyper) of a double symposium "Time for Change? For a Temporal Turn in the Sociological Study of Education and Europe" (Parts 1 and 2) held at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 24/08/2017, Copenhagen.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in peer-reviewed journals

1. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & David Stark (2026). Testing Expertise. Teachers and the algorithmic management of learning. *Globalisation, Societies and Education* (accepted subject to revisions).
2. Stark, David & **Pieter Vanden Broeck** (2024). Principles of Algorithmic Management. *Organization Theory*, 5(2). doi:10.1177/26317877241257213
 - a) Japanese translation: アルゴリズム経営の原則 (in preparation)
 - b) French translation: Principes de l'organisation algorithmique. *Réseaux* (2026, forthcoming).
 - c) Spanish translation: Principios de la administración algorítmica (2024). *Revista MAD*, (51), 1–30. <https://doi.org/10.5354/0719-0527.2024.77112>
3. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Mangez, Eric (2024). Apprendre indéfiniment? Expansion de l'éducation et précarité de l'avenir. *Diversité*, 204. doi: 10.35562/diversite.4408
4. Decuyper, M., **Vanden Broeck Pieter** et al. (2022). Laws of Edu-Automation? Three Different Approaches to Deal with Processes of Automation and Artificial Intelligence in the Field of Education. *Postdigital Science and Education*. doi: 10.1007/s42438-022-00360-x
5. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Worlds apart. An introduction to Niklas Luhmann's sociology of education. *European Educational Research Journal*, 20(6), 705-718. doi:10.1177/14749041211041867
6. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Education in world society: A matter of form. *European Educational Research Journal*, 20(6), 791-805. doi:10.1177/14749041211023054
7. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Mangez, Eric (2020). Ambiguous Coexistence and Social Transaction: on a Sociology of Opacity and Institutionalized Discretion. *The American Sociologist*, 51(2), 172-187. doi :10.1007/s12108-020-09444-2
8. Decuyper, Mathias & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). Time and educational (re-)forms—Inquiring the temporal dimension of education. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52(6), 602-612. doi:10.1080/00131857.2020.1716449
9. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). The problem of the present: On simultaneity, synchronisation and transnational education projects. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52(6), 664-675. doi:10.1080/00131857.2019.1707662
10. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). The history of the future and the shifting forms of education. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52(6), 676-687. doi:10.1080/00131857.2019.1708329
11. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). Beyond school: Transnational differentiation and the shifting form of education in world society. *Journal of Education Policy*, 35(6), 836-855. doi:10.1080/02680939.2019.1652769

Special issues

12. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Niklas Luhmann and education: Observing world society. *European Educational Research Journal*, 20 (6).
13. Decuypere, Mathias & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). Time and educational (re-)forms. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52 (6)

Books

14. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Berger, Mathieu (Eds.; in preparation). *The System of Interaction*.
15. Decuypere, Mathias & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (Eds.; 2022). *Education in flux: Studies on time, forms and reform*. London: Routledge.

Chapters in edited volumes

16. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2027). The algorithmic management of educational expansion. Forthcoming in Cone, L. et al. (Eds.). *Paradoxes of Privatisation*. Bristol: Bristol University Press.
17. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2023). Europe ou la projectification de l'éducation. In Mangez, E. et al. (Eds.), *Faire société dans un monde incertain* (pp. 25-46). Bruxelles: De Boeck
18. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2023). The rats under the rug: The morphogenesis of education in a global context. In Mattei, P. et al. (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook on Education and Globalization*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
19. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). The construction of worlds. On the function and fiction of quantified data in education policy. In Sotiria Grek, Christian Maroy & Antoni Verger (Eds.), *World Yearbook of Education 2021. Accountability and Datafication in the Governance of Education* (pp. 3-20). London: Routledge.
20. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2016). Au-delà des inégalités. Pour une autre perspective sociologique. In Pierre-Joseph Laurent (Ed.), *Tolérances et radicalismes: que n'avons-nous pas compris? Le terrorisme islamiste en Europe* (p. 121-137). Mons: Couleur Livres.
21. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2014). Meeting expectations. On the challenges of collaborative research through European funding. In M. Lawn and R. Normand (Eds.), *Shaping of European Education. Interdisciplinary Approach*. London: Routledge.

Book reviews

22. Vanden Broeck, Pieter (2025). Time in Education Policy Transfer. *British Journal for Sociology of Education*. doi:10.1080/01425692.2025.2602255

Working papers

23. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Au-delà de l'école. La mondialisation de l'éducation comme morphogénèse d'une différence transnationale. *Cahiers du Girsef*, issue 125.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited presentations

1. "Formes sans limites. Paradoxes, valeurs infinies et expansion", presentation at *Société, justice et normativité* on 11/12/2025, University of Louvain.
2. "How do we participate in Algorithmic management?", keynote lecture for the winter school *Walking Through the Platform* (Department of Social Sciences) on 28/11/2025, University of Naples.
3. "Researching the form of education -- systematically?", guest lecture for *Summer School in European Education Studies (SUSEES)* on 26/06/2025, University of Lisbon.
4. "Algorithmic Management and the Governing of Education", invited presentation at *Agentic citizens, stakeholders and social accountability in the era of e-governance* on 03/06/2025, Humboldt University Berlin.
5. "The Algorithmic Management of Learning", lecture at the Digital Futures Institute on 08/11/2024, Columbia University.
6. "The Algorithmic Management of Learning", keynote lecture for the *European Conference on Educational Research (NW28 Sociologies of Education)* on 05/08/2024, University of Cyprus.
7. "Researching the form of education systematically", guest lecture for *Summer School in European Education Studies (SUSEES)* on 20/06/2023, University of Lisbon.
8. "International, multinational, transnational? How to think education beyond the nation-state", invited presentation at *Thinking through 'The Transnational': A Tumultuous Task?*, on 01/12/2022, TU Dresden.
9. "La platformisation du secteur publique", guest lecture for the course *Politiques, Acteurs, Décisions* (MSc Social Sciences) on 07/11/2022, UCLouvain.
10. "The Value of Platform Education", discussant for the online seminar *Policy futures: Digital assets and value in higher education*, on 26/09/2022, Aarhus University.
11. "The Platformisation of the Public Sector", guest lecture for the postgraduate course *Platform Economy, Society & Culture* (PhD Centre Interdisciplinary Methodologies) on 05/04/2022, University of Warwick.
12. "Researching the form of education systematically", guest lecture for *Summer School in European Education Studies (SUSEES)* on 06/04/2022, University of Leuven.
13. "Beyond school", discussant for the seminar *Policy futures: Blending education. digitalization, neoliberalization and the re-making of the school form*, on 03/10/2020, Aarhus University (webinar due to COVID-19 pandemic).
14. "La culture et la théorie Luhmannienne", guest lecture for the course *Mutations culturelles contemporaines: approche sociologique* (MSc Sociology) on 03/03/2020, UCLouvain.
15. "Outre l'école. La globalisation de l'éducation", guest lecture for the course *Globalisation et regulation* (MSc Sociology) on 06/11/2018, UCLouvain.

16. "There is no biography. An introduction to the life and sociology of Niklas Luhmann" guest lecture for the course *Histoire des débats en sociologie et en anthropologie* (BSc Sociology) on 06/11/2012, UCLouvain.

Oral presentations during conferences with scientific selection committee

17. David Stark & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2024). "Algorithmic Management and New Class Relations". Paper presented at *EGOS*, on 05/07/2024, Milan.
18. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & David Stark (2023). "Class, Code & Control. Algorithmic Management in the Classroom". Paper presented at *Data (Re)Makes the World* (Yale Law School), on 31/03/2023, New Haven.
19. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2022). "The Rats under the Rug. The morphogenesis of education in a global context". Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 05/09/2022, Yerevan.
20. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2022). "The Rats under the Rug. The morphogenesis of education in a global context". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)* on 09/07/2022, Amsterdam.
21. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Giancarlo Corsi (2022). "Platforms, teachers and their territory". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)* on 11/07/2022, Amsterdam.
22. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Eric Mangez & (2021). "The Construction of Worlds. On the Function and Fiction of quantified data in education policy". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 07/09/2021, Geneva.
23. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). "When Nation-states Speak Europe. On Consensus, Epistemic Subsidiarity and Double Binds Inside Europe's Education Committee". Paper accepted for presentation at the *ISA Forum of Sociology*, Porto Alegre (delayed to 23/02/2021 due to COVID-19 pandemic).
24. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). "The Problem of the Present. Simultaneity, Synchronisation and Transnational Education Projects". Paper accepted for presentation at the *ISA Forum of Sociology*, Porto Alegre (delayed to 23/02/2021 due to COVID-19 pandemic).
25. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Eric Mangez (2020). "The Construction of Worlds. On the Function and Fiction of quantified data in education policy". Paper accepted for presentation at the *European Conference on Educational Research*, Glasgow (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic).
26. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). "Bousculer les murs de l'école. Quand l'espace public devient un lieu de déviation de la forme scolaire". Paper accepted for presentation at *Rencontres du RIED*, Brussels on 1 July 2020 (delayed to 2022 due to COVID-19 pandemic).
27. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2019). "When Nation-states Speak Europe. On Consensus, Epistemic Subsidiarity and Double Binds Inside Europe's Education Committee". Paper

presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 06/09/2019, Hamburg.

28. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2018). "Mirroring school. A systems theoretical outline of the differentiation of transnational education in Europe". Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 04/09/2018, Bolzano.
29. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2017). "The Problem of the present. Simultaneity and conflict potential in transnational education projects". Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 24/08/2017, Copenhagen.
30. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2016). "Learning as a norm". Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 24/08/2016, Dublin.
31. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter & Eric Mangez** (2015). "Between Semantic and Structure: Making Sense of Europe's Governance of Education". Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 10/09/2015, Budapest.
32. Mangez, Eric, & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2014). "Speaking Truth to Power? On the Challenges of Collaborative Research through European Funding". Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 03/09/2014, Porto.
33. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2013). "On Luhmann's Political System. Lessons for and from Bourdieu's Theory of Fields". Paper presented at the *General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research* on 07/09/2013, Bordeaux.
34. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2011). "De functionele differentiatie van kennis? De mogelijksvoorwaarden voor de kennismaatschappij binnen de politiek verkend" (Translation: The functional differentiation of knowledge? Exploring the conditions for a knowledge society within the political system), paper presented at *Dag van de Sociologie* on 26/05/2011, Gent.
35. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2008). "Maatschappij in revolutie? Over de kennismaatschappij en andere evoluties" (Translation: Society in revolution? On the knowledge society and other evolutions), paper presented at *Dag van de Sociologie* on 29/05/2008, Leuven.

Public outreach

36. "Technopédagogie: (en)jeux d'expertise". Presented at the *Colloque du Girsef* on 28/01/2026, Louvain-la-Neuve.
37. "L'école au miroir. La différenciation de l'éducation transnationale en Europe". Presented at the *Colloque du Girsef* on 13/05/2019, Louvain-la-Neuve.
38. "Européanisation: quelles leçons de/pour Demain?" Presented at *Move for Tomorrow* on 16/11/2017, Louvain-la-Neuve.